

Hartford Surgery Center

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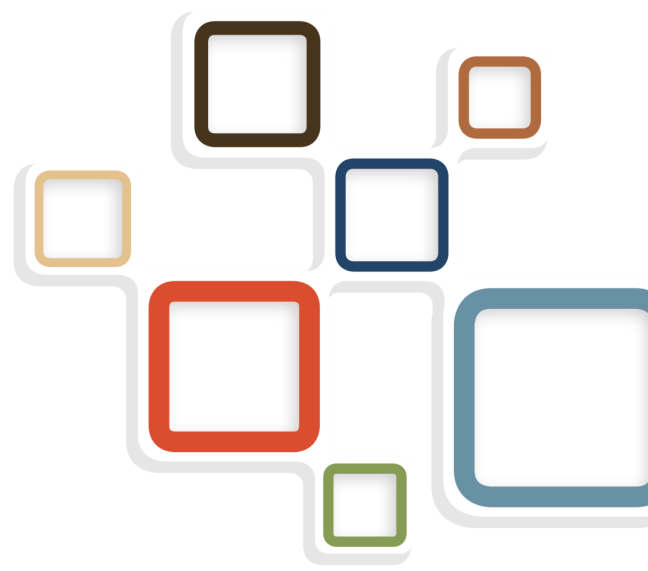
Envire™ Rubber Sheet and Tile

Hartford Hospital, founded in 1854, is one of the largest and most respected teaching hospitals in New England. Hartford Hospital is a member of Hartford HealthCare, a large, diversified health care system, which after years of planning and construction opened the Bone and Joint Institute on January 9, 2017. This institute includes a five-story inpatient hospital linked by a pedestrian bridge to a four-story ambulatory center. On the third floor of the ambulatory center is where the Hartford Surgery Center is located and opened with their first case on February 2, 2017. The surgery center encompasses three operating rooms and two procedure rooms.

Since 1997, Constitution Surgery Alliance (CSA) has developed and managed surgical facilities that provide patients with the highest level of surgical care while delivering exceptional financial returns to physician and hospital partners. Paula Chenail is the Senior VP of Operations at Constitution Surgery Alliance and her main responsibility is overseeing the Hartford Surgery Center managed by CSA. A further responsibility that transpired for Chenail was to find the right flooring to install at this surgery center. Chenail had specific interests and criteria she wanted the flooring to meet that included a minimally textured surface, slip resistance and a speckled look.

According to Chenail, they have used epoxy floors before but found them to be hard, have a rough feel and did not provide good underfoot comfort. Chenail added, "We have used vinyl sheet in the past and found it stains and was hard to clean." A competitive product was specified for this project, but Chenail and her team wanted to look at other products after experiencing some installation issues with that product on a past project.

The solution for the Hartford Surgery Center—Envire™ Rubber Sheet and Tile, which provides natural resilience, exceptional wear resistance and dimensional stability. Envire combines the sleek beauty of sheet flooring with a palette created to bring design versatility into any space creating an environment that is unique and timeless. This product was developed for use in high traffic areas and seemed the ideal choice to utilize for this job. Chenail explained, "With the help of the General Contractor FIP, we did some chemical resistance testing and slip resistance under wet conditions and were pleased with the results."





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Although the main challenge on this project was to avoid past installation issues, several benefits were discovered after the installation of Roppe Envire. The flooring, according to Chenail, is easy to clean, has a good under foot feel, and is slip resistant. The results of this project were not only what Chenail envisioned but also what Jessica Andrisano, Senior Interior Designer with HDR Architects, envisioned as well. As reported by both, Chenail and Andrisano, there have been no complications after the installation, and the maintenance of the floor has been easy, just as expected. Andrisano expressed, "Everyone is really happy with it."

The overall experience for Chenail was memorable since Roppe directly connected on this project from the installation to the end result and even through the cleaning process. When asked about considering Roppe for future projects Chenail stated, "Yes, it turned out nicely. The word is out on how good it came out and people from other areas in the hospital have come to see how good it looks."



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