



Front Lobby



Reception Area



Project Profile

Client:

AstraZeneca Pharmaceuticals

Design Professional:

Jacobs/Wyper Architects

Location:

Wilmington, DE

Delivery Method:

Construction Management

Key Challenges:

- To transform an existing library/ lobby area into a new South Campus Visitors Center that accommodates out of town visitors as well as employees from other sites who frequent the AstraZeneca South Campus for meetings and business.

South Campus Visitors Center

The overall scope of the project encompassed the renovation and addition of a 1,850 square foot lobby/library area into a 4,700 square foot Visitors Center serving AstraZeneca's South Campus. The new Visitors Center is comprised of a three-story lobby with fully operational motorized shades, a specialty 12 foot handicap accessible revolving door which promotes draft control for energy savings, and a custom made desk which is approximately 14 feet long and curved to seamlessly integrate with the curvature of the ceiling and wall above. Additional upgrades include a badging/security station, conference room, coat/storage room, and restrooms as well as WIFI internet access throughout. Outside, upgrades to the landscaping and hardscaping included, electric for new outdoor pedestrian lighting, a new irrigation system, a new catch basin, and numerous plantings. Bancroft also added a drop lane to the circle to help alleviate traffic jams.

Working with a number of contractors for the first time including specialty contractors (some out of state) proved to be challenging at times. The Bancroft Team held weekly progress meetings to keep the lines of communication open and to make sure that everyone was aligned with AstraZeneca's expectations according to safety, schedule, budget and quality.