

Tecumseh Medical Centre (TMC)

Tecumseh, Ontario, Canada - Completed in 2012



Passa Architects was contracted in December of 2011 to develop a fast track design-build medical facility consisting of a two-storey 47,000 sq. ft. main structure housing upwards of twenty suites and a 6,000 sq. ft. one storey building complete with on-site parking provisions for the two buildings. All of the structures were built of pre-cast concrete architectural panels which allowed for a condensed construction schedule due to the pre-fab manufacturing process of the panels and quick erection process once on site. This project is an excellent example of Passa Architect's ability to meet very time constrained projects with an extremely condensed schedule. Working closely with the client, Passa Architects was able to quickly develop thorough but preliminary design drawings and specifications so that the project could take place. Within one month of the contract being signed between the client and Passa Architects, excavation of the site was occurring. The facility is unlike any medical facility in the region with its appearance more akin to a shopping mall than a medical facility. The earth tone colour scheme throughout the building varies from suite to suite but all are appealing and modern and not indicative of typical clinical colours found in most places. High end finish materials such as aluminum hand rails, glass guards on the main feature stair, attractive ceramic tile and various wood grain finishes abound. The building's focal point is the two storey centre atrium space of the facility where a vast glazing wall allows daylight to penetrate deep into the centre of the structure. Comfortable seating, wall mounted televisions and access to a coffee shop creates a welcoming lounge area for visitors to the facility.

