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M&CA Completes Dining Room Renovation

Chicago, IL - Palos Community Hospital recently completed a major renovation project to their Dining Room and Dietary Department at its' Palos Heights, IL campus. The multi-phased project comprised the complete redesign and renovation of the existing dietary department including, public and private dining rooms, vending area, servery and kitchen. The 23,600 SF project was completed in multiple phases without disrupting dietary services to patients, staff and visitors and minimal impact on the day to day operations of the facility. A skylit, central open stair was designed to connect the lower level dining room with the first floor and to provide natural daylighting to the space. The expanded dietary spaces meet the service needs of the new Hospitaller Pavilion completed in 2013 and the renovation of the existing St. George Pavilion to be complete in 2017. M&CA worked closely with the design/construction team including Owner, Consultants, Contractor and Subcontractors in a design-assist approach to share information early in the schedule to provide a seamless transition during the construction process.

Palos Community Hospital is a full service, regional healthcare provider that has served the people of Chicago's southwest suburbs for more than 40 years and guided by traditions of quality, respect and trust since 1972. Their mission of compassionate care is founded in the rich heritage of the Sisters of the Religious Hospitallers of St. Joseph who built the hospital on 40 wooded acres in Palos Heights for patients seeking care. Today, in response to community need, the hospital has flourished as a major health care provider with a responsive network of services and a singleness of purpose to provide quality care. Palos Community Hospital is the recipient of several past and current Healthgrades Quality Achievement awards, including "America's 50 Best Hospitals" Award for three years in a row (2012-2014) and the Distinguished Hospital Award for Clinical Excellence for nine years in a row (2006-2014).

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