



Project:

The Urgent Care Centre

Location:

Preston

Interior Designer:

Frank Whittle Partnership

Flooring Material:

Eternal, Coral and Step

Design Reference:

Eternal Wood silver chestnut 10382, warm Zebrano 11732, Eternal Colour petrol sparkle 43982, plum sparkle 43602, bubblegum sparkle 43722, honey sparkle 43742, Eternal Palette sky 40272, pistachio 40032, Digitally Printed Eternal, Eternal Material silver stripe 11392, quartz stone 12012, Colorex Basic Plus quartz 611007, Surestep Laguna slate blue 181052, Surestep Original pistachio 171842 and Coral Duo black diamond 9730



New hospital ward benefits from Forbo's flooring

The patients and staff of Chorley Hospital's Urgent Care Centre can view the colourful life of the ocean's coral beds, thanks to Forbo Flooring Systems' digitally printed vinyl floor covering. This unique flooring design helped the interior designer at Frank Whittle Partnership win a highly commended award in the Fly Forbo 2015/2016 competition.

David Simmons, Interior Designer at Frank Whittle Partnership, designed the Urgent Care Centre and said: "We wanted to create a stimulating and vibrant environment for the patients and staff of the hospital and one that they would be proud of. A range of Forbo's floor coverings were specified for the project including Eternal and its digitally printed vinyl, as the vibrant colours and the ability to create bespoke designs fitted the brief perfectly.

"In the children's waiting areas, we chose to have an underwater scene of colourful, tropical fish printed onto Forbo's digital print vinyl. This created a playful environment for the children to enjoy, in what could be a traumatic or upsetting time of their lives."

Forbo's digital print vinyl provides designers and specifiers with the ability to create a completely bespoke floor covering, without compromising on quality.

Throughout the corridors, reception and main waiting areas of the centre, David installed Eternal in the silver chestnut colourway, as it ensures maximum wear

resistance and has excellent appearance retention – ideal for a busy hospital environment such as this. The natural wooden aesthetic of the floor covering acted as a backdrop for the contrasting bright and vibrant colours of Eternal, which were installed in the wards and consulting rooms of the centre and used for the reception desks. Shades such as Petrol Sparkle, an eye-catching blue and Honey Sparkle, a mustard-like tone were installed to brighten up the ward and create a unique environment.

David continued: "As well as installing the bright colours of Eternal in the wards and rooms, we also interspersed blocks of bright colours throughout the waiting areas. These colours matched colours used in rooms on the wards as well as the reception desks and other furniture."

"We are very pleased with the overall design of the hospital and we were very fortunate to have a forward-thinking client that was brave enough to embrace the colourful design scheme."

Forbo's Eternal range is coated with a PUR Pearl finish, which ensures low lifecycle costs and easy cleaning, which is ideal for hospitals where budgets are tight where staff and patients require a hygienic environment to work and be treated in.



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