



A Special Place for Specialty Care

When Hurley Medical Center set out to find a new location for its Pediatric Residency and Pediatric Specialty clinics, the Flint Farmers' Market may have seemed like an unlikely fit. But after commissioning FUNchitecture to develop design plans for the space, it quickly became clear that this was a perfect pairing.

The Flint Farmers' Market is located in the heart of downtown Flint and was an adaptive reuse of an abandoned newspaper printing press facility. It is at the center of an expanding Health and Wellness District with neighbors that include the YMCA, Genesys Regional Medical Center's Program of All-Inclusive Care for the Elderly (PACE) center, and the Michigan State University College of Human Medicine Flint campus.

The 10,300-square foot, second-story space is a blank canvas that will soon be transformed into a FUNky, inviting and child-friendly medical facility. Wall graphics, play tables and interactive video games will help keep pediatric patients entertained, while adults can utilize desk and cubicle space outfitted with Internet access to work during their wait. A unique putt-putt course will also take over the balcony area.

A wall of windows will flood the space with natural light during the day, and will provide for a panoramic view of the revitalized downtown area. The high ceilings will be adorned with dramatic lighting and brightly colored fabric sails. Walls

will be equally as colorful, some with whiteboard surfaces for drawing and messaging.

Getting to and from the new Hurley Pediatric Residency and Pediatric Specialty clinics will be easy with a public transportation terminal located adjacent to the property. For added convenience, a separate elevator will be installed leading directly to the clinics.

Before and after appointments, families can take advantage of the abundance of fresh fruits and vegetables available for sale throughout the main floor farmers' market. Hurley's medical staff can "prescribe" healthy food choices that can be picked up on the way out.

