

# ARCHITECTURAL SHOWCASE

## AMBULATORY CARE CENTER

**Clark/Kjos Architects** PORTLAND, OR  
**Salud Medical Center** WOODBURN, OR



**Project category:** New construction & Remodel/Renovation (completed July 2005)

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**Total building area (sq. ft.):** 6,976 (new); 16,238 (renovation)

**Construction cost/sq. ft.:** \$150 (new); \$130 (renovation)

**Total construction cost (excluding land):** \$1,046,400 (new); \$2,110,940 (renovation)

Salud Medical Center is operated by the Yakima Valley Farm Workers Clinic, a nonprofit health system with multiple locations throughout Washington and Oregon. Renovation and expansion of the Salud Medical Center in Woodburn, Oregon, included renovation of the Salud Medical Center building (9,562-sq.-ft. west structure), the Child Services Building (6,676-sq.-ft. east structure), and the construction of the 6,976-sq.-ft., one-story structure linking the two buildings.

The existing Salud Medical Center building was renovated to accommodate two medical clinic pods, a laboratory, and a medical records department. The Child Services Building, previously vacant, was renovated to accommodate the dental clinic and staff lounge facilities.

The new central structure

accommodates the lobby, waiting and reception areas for both medical and dental clinics, and the pharmacy. The lobby and waiting areas are welcoming and spacious, with views north and south through glazed curtain walls taking full advantage of the natural landscape. Waiting areas are divided by the clinical pods to provide a more intimate scale to each one. They are defined by partial-height walls to allow for continual cognizance of the whole space for easy orientation.

Natural and sustainable products were selected to help celebrate health and wellness, and a natural color palette was selected to harmonize with nature. The partial-height partitions are gypsum wall-board inset with colorful polymer-resin panels. Flooring materials are varied to reinforce the functional areas.