Kaiser Permanente creates an inspiring space for patients and employees with better views and no heat or glare



Compliments Kaiser's brand promise of well-being and sustainability

Enhances wellness by improving patient comfort and exposure to natural light

Drives energy efficiency objectives

Kaiser Permanente Medical Office

Designer: Project Frog

Glazier: Bagatelos Architectural

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Glazing system

Project type:New installation

System type: Curtain Wall

Make and model: Bagatelos Series 6000 Curtain Wall System

IGU makeup

Overall thickness:

Outboard lite:

6mm tempered clear with EC on surface #2

Spacer:

½" black warm edge spacer

Inboard lite:

6mm tempered clear

Kaiser Permanente Medical Office, Victorville, CA

"Thrive" is Kaiser Permanente's motto. When the organization opened a new medical office in the Southern California desert, it used View Dynamic Glass to solve an intractable problem and create a welcoming environment for visitors and employees.





Objectives In the high-desert town of Victorville, 100 miles northeast of Los Angeles, temperatures can range from below freezing to more than 100 degrees. When Kaiser Permanente, one of the largest managed-care organizations in the United States, opened a new medical center in the city, it had to find a way to make its lobby an inviting and comfortable space.

The eastern facade has floor-to-ceiling vertical windows that allowed glare and heat into the lobby and reception areas. Architects initially considered installing vertical louvers, but realized these would be an insufficient solution because of the eastern-facing orientation of the windows and the angle of the sun's path.

Solution About 800 square feet of View Dynamic Glass with Intelligence Control was installed. The glass tints automatically by using solar tracking and real-time environmental conditions. Installation of exterior vertical fins provided an aesthetic component, rather than a functional one.

Outcome View Dynamic Glass eliminated the heat and glare problems, while maintaining the views and natural light for lobby visitors and Kaiser employees, creating a more pleasant and inviting atmosphere.

Payoffs

- Reduced heat and glare without the need for external louvers
- Improved comfort and experience
- Met sustainability and energy-efficiency objectives

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