RFH Private Patient Unit

Healthcare / Refurbishment

Key Features:

- High-specification refurbishment of private care ward
- 'Live' hospital environment
- Challenging programme

This project was undertaken in two stages. The first stage included demolition and strip out of the existing ward and undertaking of surveys.

Following this, the second stage involved reconfiguring the space to form four isolation bedrooms, a dialysis bedroom and three further standard bedrooms. In addition, we created associated staff areas and welfare facilities. Finally, all electrical and mechanical works throughout the unit were completely renewed.

Working adjacent to private healthcare wards

The areas adjacent to the site were occupied by private patient's accommodation. This included the highly sensitive Renal unit on the East elevation of the North wing. Adding to these site constraints was the operational isolation unit, situated directly below our site area.

All the aforementioned areas below and adjacent to the refurbishment site remained occupied and operational throughout the works.

As a result, we implemented a customer care strategy focused towards working within a private ward. This strategy, proven within our vast healthcare portfolio, ensured we coordinated all works robustly. At all times works progressed safely, treating patients with the upmost respect whilst protecting the programmes critical path.

Challenging programme

Following the reissue of the original mechanical installation drawings, due to the redesign of a large section of the works, our construction programme was placed under pressure.

However, we rose to the challenge and reprogrammed the scheme to bring the project back on track and to avoid any further potential delays.

Client:	Royal Free London NHS Foundation Trust
Project Value:	£1,600,000
Programme Duration:	20 weeks
Architect:	Ansell & Bailey Chartered Architects LLP
Quantity Surveyor:	Currie & Brown