

The Premier Destination for Heart Care on the West Coast

It took more than a year of studying evidence-based research to determine the best design for patients and their families. More than 200 doctors, nurses, patients, architects and support staff participated in the design of the patient rooms at Prebys Cardiovascular Institute.

Innovation

- All private rooms feature floor-to-ceiling windows with abundant natural light and spectacular views.
- The 108 acute care patient rooms include a private bathroom and a dedicated family space with a comfortable pull-out couch or sleeper chair for overnight stays.
- The hospital features 59 ICU rooms (not shown), each averaging 264 square feet with dedicated work stations between every two rooms offering improved patient monitoring.
- Patient rooms incorporate the colors of sea and sky — the colors of San Diego — to create serene surroundings, increase the patients' sense of well-being and boost the healing process.
- Satellite nurses stations ensure that a nurse is never more than 60 feet away from a patient's bed.
- Patients, visitors and staff have access to hospital gardens and also views of a rooftop garden.
- All of the floors are outfitted with special tiles that are designed to absorb sound.

Safety

- Each room features a dedicated nurse zone with a sink, supply area and charting space.
- Enhanced infection controls — such as sinks for washing hands at the entrance to each room, antimicrobial finishes, and smooth finishes and fixtures without nooks and crannies where germs can hide — are incorporated throughout the hospital.
- Motorized ceiling lifts in every room allow caregivers to move patients securely and comfortably.
- Private bathrooms feature edge-free showers that allow for accessibility and improved patient safety.
- Restrooms are located on the same wall as the bed, so that a patient does not have to walk across the room. A grab bar along the wall provides the patient with additional support.
- Wider doors allow caregivers better access to the restroom while assisting patients.



Technology

- Private rooms are equipped with LCD screen televisions that can display clinical images, such as radiology and heart images.
- The facility is equipped with a three-tiered wireless infrastructure dedicated to enterprise, medical and consumer use that maintains maximum security and capabilities for clinicians.