

# Award Winning State-of-the-Art Healthcare Facility is Complete in the Heart of Wisconsin

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WAUSAU, WISCONSIN, UNITED STATES, February 14, 2023 /EINPresswire.com/ -- [Plunkett Raysich Architects, LLP](#) announces the completion and occupation of [Orthopaedic Associates of Wausau](#) and [Wausau Surgery Center](#) in Wausau, Wisconsin.

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Orthopaedic Associates of Wausau and the associated Wausau Surgery Center outgrew their existing facility and needed a new home for staff and patients. They sought a space that allowed them to be within the same building. The chosen site is prominent, located adjacent to highway 29, providing visibility to the two organizations' location. The building configuration is highly influenced by site topography and surrounding environment, which includes protected wetlands. As a result, the 61,500 sq. ft. facility is divided into 37,500 sq. ft. and 24,000 sq. ft. components aligned parallel to the highway to optimize highway visibility to both businesses.

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housing a physical therapy suite. The configuration allows efficient use of the site and provides clear wayfinding focusing patients clearly into the services needed for any specific visit. Doctors can also now efficiently perform surgeries in the surgery center and easily see clinic patients in the same day

The 37,500 sq. ft. clinic is entered through a dedicated foyer, and is organized around a clear circulation spine with five treatment pods. The imaging suite is centrally located for ease of access and supports a mobile MRI unit. Offices face south providing visual access to the surrounding environment and strong natural daylight.

The 24,000 sq. ft. surgery center maintains an independent patient entrance and provides five 600 sq. ft. operating rooms, six private pre-op rooms, five post-op bays, and four flex rooms. The operating rooms are nearly double Wausau Surgery Center's previous ORs, providing ample space to store medical equipment and new opportunities to perform more complex surgeries.

Nestled between the clinic and the surgery center is a world-class two-story physical therapy suite. The suite features abundant space for patient care, a variety of equipment, and natural light through the floor-to-ceiling windows. Patients and medical staff both flow through the connector to access complementary services in the clinic or surgery center.

A design motif throughout the building is the connection to nature. In the therapy suite, large environmental graphics featuring birch trees provides a calming and natural environment for healing while mass timber spans the space offering visual warmth. Decorative birch accents line other public areas, and large windows provide views of nearby outdoor nature.

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The waiting room is a warm and welcoming environment that is filled with natural light.



The world-class therapy suite connects the Wausau Surgery Center and Orthopaedic Associates of Wausau.

Orthopaedic Associates of Wausau and Wausau Surgery Center was recently awarded GOLD at the 2022 Project of Distinction Excellence in Construction Banquet hosted by ABC of Wisconsin.

The new facility was designed by Plunkett Raysich Architects and constructed by Ellis Construction Company.

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