



## MATTHEW J. RYAN VETERINARY HOSPITAL

University of Pennsylvania School of  
Veterinary Medicine  
3900 Delancey Street  
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania  
2013 - 2015

**Client:** University of Pennsylvania

**Gross Floor Area:** 4,600 sf

**Civil Engineer:** Stantec

**Structural:** Conn Shaffer Consulting  
Engineers

**MEP:** AHA Engineers

**Lighting Designer:** BEAM

**General Contractor:** Canuso Jorden

**Photography:** Halkin Mason Photography

Cecil Baker + Partners undertook a complete renovation of the existing Reception, Lobby, Waiting Areas, and Administrative Spaces at the Matthew J. Ryan Veterinary Hospital at the University of Pennsylvania School of Veterinary Medicine.

The goal was to bring a calm atmosphere to a previously chaotic space, as well as to improve circulation paths while providing an increased sense of privacy to pets and their owners.

At the entry, automatic sliding doors replaced heavy manual doors, and large expanses of glass replaced the heavy brick and punched openings along the front facade. Inside, an open and inviting reception desk is separated in the center by vertical, narrow shafts of LED light that transition through a palette of calming, cool colors.

This improved environment has proved to be a great asset to pets and their owners as well as the professionals who serve them.