

ECRI Opens New Global Headquarters Near Philadelphia



Founded over 50 years ago, ECRI (Plymouth Meeting, PA USA) is a global, independent authority on healthcare technology and safety. ECRI works internationally with clients in more than 150 countries with offices in the United Kingdom, the Netherlands, United Arab Emirates, and Malaysia. In the U.S., ECRI partners with hospitals and health systems in every state.

ECRI opened its new global headquarters and medical device evaluation laboratory on a 24-acre campus near Philadelphia. The campus is intended to meet the needs of its hybrid virtual workforce and that of its affiliate, the Institute of Safe Medication Practices (ISMP). Together with ISMP, ECRI represents the largest healthcare quality and safety entity globally.

'The new building symbolizes the transformation that ECRI has been undergoing over the past few years,' says Marcus Schabacker, MD, PhD, president and CEO of ECRI.

The building which opened on 19 April features labs for environmental, accident and forensic testing lab, communication areas, and flexible workstation. The third floor (not yet built) will act as an advancement hub where local healthcare organisations with similar goals can collaborate.

The pandemic posed an incredible opportunity for ECRI to completely reimagine how to transform our existing space to meet the changing needs of the healthcare community. For us, creating collaboration spaces for our mainly virtual workforce was the unifying element and we accomplished this with a design centred on transparency, flexibility, and smart technology, says Pete Catalano, chief financial officer of ECRI, and executive project manager of the headquarters renovation.

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