



Open for Business: ProCure Proton Therapy Center

Mary Snyder, Director of Customer Service

Recently, the .decimal team traveled to Oklahoma City for a tour of the ProCure Proton Therapy Center. This center, which opened in the record time of 27 months from groundbreaking, treated its first patient on August 24, 2009. The ProCure Proton Therapy Center is one of only six centers currently offering proton therapy in the United States, and is the first of its kind in Oklahoma. And what a center it is!

The facility is 55,000 square feet and, with four treatment rooms, will provide state-of-the-art proton therapy treatments to approximately 1,500 patients per year. Upon entering the facility, it is obvious from the people you encounter that everyone has one goal in common: providing the best patient care possible.

The atmosphere is peaceful, the staff is warm and friendly, and the equipment is awe-inspiring. This center houses ten-foot thick walls made of solid concrete, a three-story gantry which rotates around patients during treatment, and a 220-ton cyclotron that was built in Belgium and shipped 5,700 miles by sea to America. And yet, the people at the center truly make it seem like it's "all in a day's work."

In April 2009, ProCure and .decimal entered into a partnership whereby .decimal was selected as the preferred manufacturer of patient-specific devices for this new facility. .decimal's internet-based manufacturing solution allows the staff at the ProCure Proton Therapy Center to easily submit and track orders 24 hours a day. .decimal will complement ProCure's on-site manufacturing capabilities, enabling the staff to increase their patient throughput. Starting in early September 2009,



Above (From Left): Mary Snyder, Ben Harris, M.S. DABR, Raymond Mark, Gabbi Ahlqvist, Cedrick St. Jean, Andrew Brown, Ajay Kapur, Ph.D. DABR, Richard Sweat, and Rick Jesseph during construction. Below: The completed ProCure Proton Therapy Center.

.decimal began providing range compensators and apertures for the new center. Our commitment to quality and continuous process improvement ensure we are producing the highest quality devices that will be used to treat someone's mother, father, brother, sister, or child.

"Quality isn't just a term used to describe our products and services," says Daniel Bennett, Director of Quality and Regulatory Affairs at .decimal. "It is a living, breathing force found within all aspects of .decimal as we do our part in the fight against cancer."

Proton Therapy continues to gain recognition. Currently, there are three more proton centers under construction in Pennsylvania, Virginia and Illinois. To learn more about ProCure, visit www.procure.com, and to see how .decimal can add value in the area of proton therapy, visit www.dotdecimal.com or call us at 1.800.255.1613.

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