

## Eastman Cooke to build four Manhattan clinics for URvet Care

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New York, NY Eastman Cooke & Associates has been retained by veterinary practice URvet Care to build four all-in-one healthcare facilities in Manhattan providing primary, dental, oncology, surgical, pharmacy, and 24-hour urgent care services at each unit. The first clinic was slated to open on October 15th at 1432 Second Ave. The FiDi clinic at 200 Chambers St. will open in mid-December, followed at the end of the month by two on the Upper West Side at 541 Columbus Ave. and 171 Amsterdam Ave. All the grade-level sites range between 2,000 and 2,800 s/f.

"We were engaged for this exciting, groundbreaking project because of our firm's extensive experience in building a wide array of healthcare facilities throughout the city," said Eastman Cooke vice president April Intrabartola. "Our current mission is to fulfill an ambitious timeline, which requires a well-coordinated, full team effort. Joining us is expert owner's representative Anthony Cordasco, Cordasco Construction and a group of accomplished architects, engineers, and designers."

Each facility will benefit from a design program by Amanda Paige Interiors, featuring environments appealing to pet parents and pets, alike. Unique to the veterinary space, finishes will include powder blue and turquoise checkerboard porcelain flooring, and powder blue Porcelanosa tile counters and backsplashes in reception areas and examination rooms.

Waiting areas will be notable for the custom-designed, pet-friendly furnishings with stain resistant fabrics by Kostas Upholstery. Exam rooms each have fluted accent walls, light blue herringbone porcelain floors, and blue cabinetry. The reception desk, coffee bar, and the backsplashes in the exam rooms all will be clad in Viola Blue porcelain slabs from Porcelanosa with marble-like finishes. The custom color palettes in the waiting room and hallways are being highlighted in powder blue with limewash walls. Operating rooms will have high-intensity lighting.

"We want to create a veterinary experience that mirrors premier healthcare services for humans, and offering an all-inclusive approach," said Stoopler. "We have steered clear of the sterile, 'white coat' environment of traditional vet clinics and, instead, are providing a more relatable experience in which pet owners can feel confident and informed."

Helming the veterinarian services will be Dr. Andrew Karmin, chief of staff, formerly of Bellerose Animal Hospital. In addition to the four full-service facilities currently in the works, URvet Care is planning pharmaceutical services, including an online portal, mobile units, staff for house calls, and a pet insurance program. In addition, seven other locations are being considered for a 2023 roll-out in Manhattan, Queens, Brooklyn, Hoboken, NJ, and Florida

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