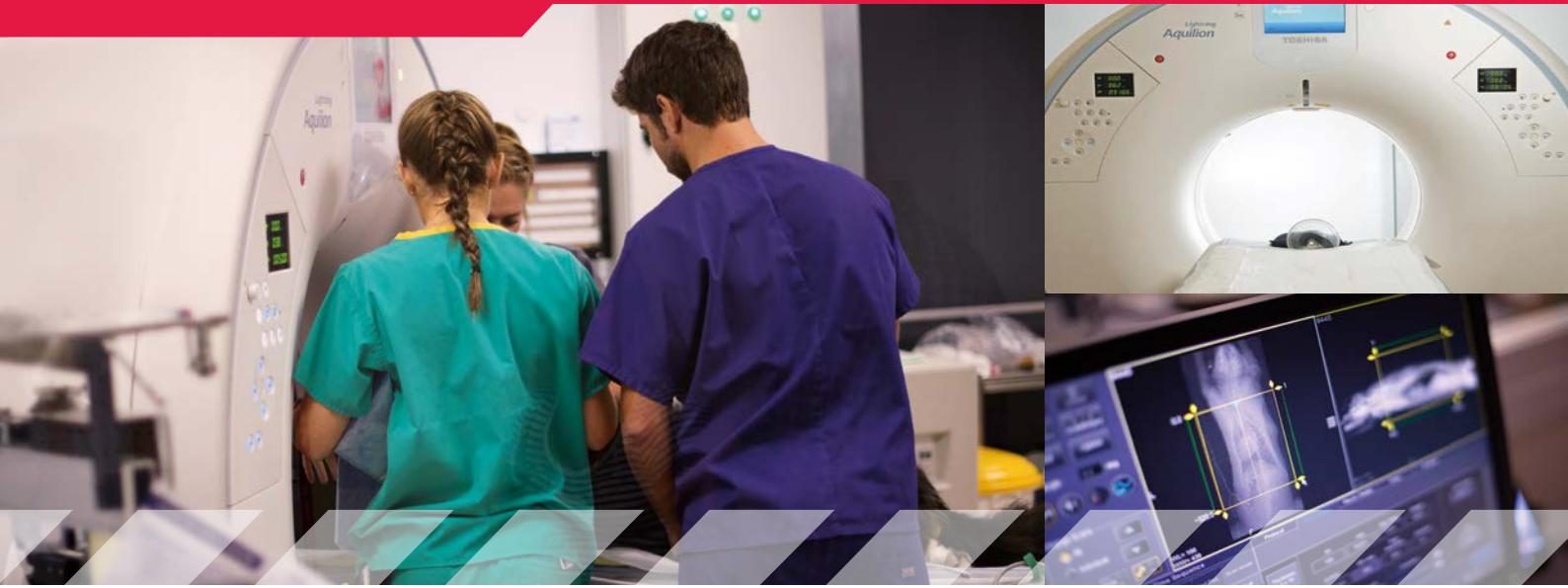


## CASE STUDY

# NORTHWEST SURGEONS



### QUICK FACTS

Midland Lead Healthcare supplied lead-lined plasterboards with accompanying lead strips and battens to Northwest Surgeons for use in the construction of a new CT scanning facility. In addition, we supplied both an internal and external lead door together with a lead viewing window. All products were code 5, suitable for use across a range of diagnostic applications.

### THE PROJECT

Northwest Surgeons, a veterinary referral hospital, offers excellent facilities to its patients, which up until 2015 included an in-house MRI scanner, two x-ray suites, ultrasound scanning and a wide range of endoscopic imaging equipment. For 5 years the facility used a mobile scanning service which visited once a week. Monique Jones, Diagnostic Imaging Nurse at Northwest Surgeons commented. "It was often chaotic making sure we could scan all cases in the time. What we really wanted was the flexibility to scan our patients when they needed it rather than be confined to just one day."

Due to a growth in case load and the hospital's acquisition by the Pets at Home Vet Group in 2015, the decision was made to invest in their own CT scanning facility. Construction took place in November of the same year and the first patient was scanned on the 15th December.

All of the specialist disciplines within the hospital now use the CT scanner as part of the diagnostic process when required, from surgical patients who need orthopaedic surgery to medicine patients with unexplained disease processes. The scanner has been used for 337 patients since its introduction and has also led to the launch an oncology service as well as the ability to accommodate eye vet referrals for ophthalmology cases.

### ABOUT NORTHWEST SURGEONS

Northwest Surgeons provides specialist veterinary services to veterinary practices in the North West of England and Wales. Specialist disciplines covered include orthopaedic, soft tissue and spinal surgery, neurology, oncology and internal medicine with specialist support in anaesthesia, pain management and diagnostic imaging. Each service is led by RCVS or European specialists with a team of highly qualified veterinary nurses providing round the clock care to clients' pets. Their specialists are trained to the highest standards available in their field and the clinic offers state of the art equipment. This unsurpassed combination of skills and facilities enables them to provide excellent standards of care for pets with health problems from a wide range of disciplines.

### WORKING WITH VETERINARY PRACTICES

Midland Lead is an expert in the supply of radiation shielding products to both small and large veterinary practices throughout the UK. We offer a wide range of products from lead-lined boards, through to lead doors and lead glass, together with personal protective clothing. As well as the supply of radiation protection products, we offer practices support in the specification and design of facilities requiring radiation shielding together with a complete supply and fit service if required.

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