



Resources

from The Center for Health Design

The largest collection of healthcare design research, best practices, resources and tools.

Insights & solutions to today's most urgent and challenging healthcare design issues.

The industry's most dynamic, unique in-person and virtual learning and connecting experiences.

Who are these resources for?

Architects & Designers

Healthcare Executives

Facilities Managers

Product Manufacturers

Clinicians & Caregivers

Students & Educators

Government & Policymakers



THE CENTER FOR HEALTH DESIGN®

Moving Healthcare Forward

Stand On Our Shoulders

Since 1993, The Center for Health Design has been creating, collecting, organizing and sharing the largest compendium of industry-changing healthcare design research, best practices, resources and tools.

Akron Children's Hospital Kay Jewelers Pavilion, Akron, OH

Today thousands of healthcare providers, architects, designers and product manufacturers reference our work, use our tools, employ our strategies and tap our experts as they endeavor to improve healthcare through the design of the built environment.

The largest collection of healthcare design research, best practices, resources, tools and experiences

- Research
- Tools & Resources
- Learning Events
- Webinars & Workshops
- Networking
- Consulting Services
- Publications
- Conferences
- EDAC Certification
- Affiliate Membership
- Industry Awards

Design Insights & Solutions to today's most urgent and challenging healthcare issues

- Behavioral & Mental Health
- Infection Control
- Impact of Aging
- Technology
- Safety
- Communication
- Noise
- Staff Wellbeing
- Population Health
- Perception of Cleanliness
- Patient-Centered Medical Home
- Process-Driven Design
- Emergency Department Throughput

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Create a free account to receive our newsletters – featuring new research, best practices, resources, industry news, event announcements and more.

See The Difference

Evidence-based design makes a positive, measurable difference in the safety, health and satisfaction of patients, their families and their caregivers.

Throughout our 30-year history, we've helped lead the evidence-based design movement in healthcare by initiating, directing and supporting research that documents and measures the impact that design of the physical environment has in improving healthcare outcomes and reducing healthcare costs.

Be The Difference

The support of people like you has enabled The Center to fulfill its mission of improving health outcomes through design research, education and advocacy.

With the support of our members — thousands of healthcare providers, architects, designers, researchers, product manufacturers, educators, students and professional associations around the world — The Center provides leadership to the healthcare design industry and addresses its ever-expanding needs.

ABOUT THE CENTER



The Center for Health Design, a San Francisco-based 501(c)3, strives to maximize wellbeing in all environments by uniting, inspiring, and empowering people to improve health through informed design. We challenge the status quo with a bold vision, solid evidence, a sound plan and extraordinary outcomes.

We believe strongly in sharing information, passion and efforts to yield profound results. And we demonstrate how design can unleash unlimited potential to improve people's lives where they live, work, play and heal. We work to achieve these goals through excellence in our three pillars of design research, education, and advocacy.

To accomplish this:

- We bring people together at regional and national events to share and learn.
- Through design research, education and advocacy, we're leading the way in transforming hospitals, clinics, wellness centers, doctors offices, residential care facilities, and beyond for a safer, healthier tomorrow.
- We equip industry professionals with strategies, resources, tools and training that enable them to effectively evaluate, test, prioritize, implement, and optimize facility investments.

The Center has established a proven track record of creating, launching and delivering programs that provide true value to the healthcare design industry — The Pebble Project, EDAC certification, the Affiliate Program, *Healthcare Design Magazine*, the *HERD Journal*, the Healthcare Design Conference & Expo, and much more.



Affiliate Membership

By joining The Center's Affiliate or Affiliate+ programs you can:

- Stay current on advances in evidence-based facility design.
- Stay connected with a community of like-minded professionals.
- Support The Center's mission to improve health outcomes and reduce healthcare costs through design.



AFFILIATE

With Affiliate membership comes free or discount-priced access — depending upon your level — to a wide array of learning and networking opportunities, research, tools and resources* including:

Monthly Newsletter — featuring new research findings, resources, case studies & best practices
Healthcare Design Magazine
HERD Journal
Networking Events

Evidence-Based Design Journal Clubs
Online Company Profile, Project & Job Postings
Assessment & Planning Tools
Book, Multimedia & Event Discounts
EDAC Examination Discounts

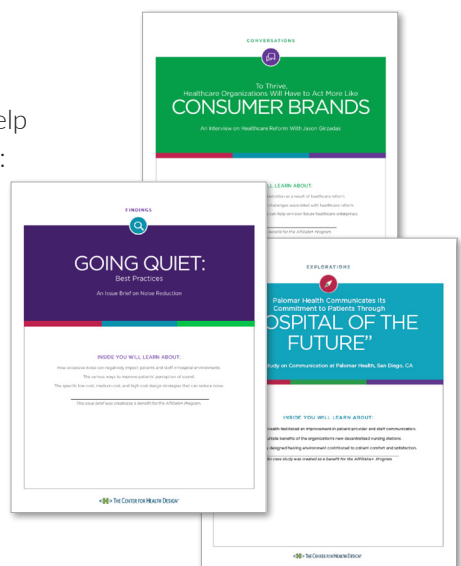
*Subject to change

AFFILIATE+

In addition to all of the standard Affiliate program benefits, plus greater public visibility and larger discounts on Center publications and events, Affiliate+ program members receive exclusive access to in-depth, high value, leading-edge content, expertly curated and delivered for their efficient use.

Affiliate+ member organizations will benefit from:

- Design insights, solutions and resources to help solve today's most pressing healthcare issues: Behavioral Health, Safety and Process-Driven Design, Infection Control, Impact of Aging, Technology, Population Health and more.
- Comprehensive, solution-driven "toolboxes" — created and curated for each topic — containing expert interviews, project briefs, issue briefs, design strategies, blogs, webinars, podcasts and more.
- Delivered throughout the year via our website for use by your entire organization.



For a complete list of Affiliate and Affiliate+ program benefits, fees and online sign-up, visit healthdesign.org/join.



Education & Networking Events

ICONS AND INNOVATORS WEBINARS

Live or on-demand, these high-quality, affordable, thought-provoking and convenient learning events provide opportunities to inform your work strategies, obtain Continuing Education Units (CEUs), and engage with industry icons and innovators who are championing change.

WORKSHOPS

These unique, immersive experiences dive deep into strategic design trends that are shaping tomorrow's healthcare and home environments. Whether online or in-person, attendees interact with healthcare industry leaders and colleagues, and learn through presentations and group think-tanks.



NETWORKING EVENTS

Created for The Center's Affiliate and Affiliate+ members, these regional and sometimes virtual networking events often feature an educational session worth one EDAC/AIA CEU, as well as plenty of social time to meet and connect with the regional healthcare design community.

CONFERENCES

In collaboration with our conference partner Emerald Expositions, The Center produces two of the leading healthcare design-related educational programs and professional gatherings.

Healthcare Design Conference & Expo is the industry's premier event devoted to how the design of built environments directly impacts the safety, operation, clinical outcomes and financial success of healthcare facilities. Attendees can earn continuing education credits, network with peers, and influence the direction of the industry.

Environments for Aging Conference & Expo offers the latest strategies and ideas for creating living environments that meet the needs of our aging population. During this comprehensive three-day learning experience, attendees network with peers while learning the latest innovations and best practices in the design, architecture and building of long-term and residential care settings.



Resources & Services

KNOWLEDGE REPOSITORY

Start your search for articles and research citations on healthcare design topics with a visit to The Center's Knowledge Repository — a complete, user-friendly library of healthcare design resources that continues to grow with the latest research.

INSIGHTS & SOLUTIONS

Get the latest trends, tools, and resources for improving healthcare environments. Browse our many free and members-only resources, including research reports and issue briefs, interviews, project briefs, design strategies, lessons learned, tools, and webinars.

EBD BOOKS, MULTIMEDIA & MORE

In our online store you'll find print and digital publications filled with insight and guidance from some of the industry's top innovators and experts.

INTERACTIVE DESIGN DIAGRAMS

Our interactive design diagrams provide a link between the evidence base, design strategies, and desired outcomes – in a visually intuitive and actionable format for a variety of settings.

SAFETY RISK ASSESSMENT TOOL

This toolkit provides a proactive process that facilitates multidisciplinary discussion to leverage design and mitigate risk. It utilizes an evidence-based design approach to identify actionable solutions, and targets six areas of safety: infections, falls, medication errors, security, injuries of behavioral health, and patient handling (as required in the FGI Guidelines).

RESEARCH SERVICES

Get research expertise when you need it. Our team of top-notch researchers can provide you with timely healthcare industry research advice that will help propel your healthcare facility projects. Whether you need expert advice on a research project, need an expert to do research for you, or you simply need to be pointed to the right resources, we can help. And through our Pebble Project, we provide expert guidance that keeps organizations and their projects on the path to successful and measurable improvement.

EDUCATIONAL CONSULTING

Interested in having an expert on a particular topic speak at one of your corporate gatherings, industry conferences, or other events? Our knowledgeable staff and board members are available to provide educational consulting with a special discount available to our valued members.

Certification



Evidence-based Design Accreditation and Certification

Created by The Center in 2009 to educate and recognize individuals who demonstrate the ability to apply an evidence-based process to facility design, today over 3,000 professionals around the world have obtained EDAC certification.

Open to anyone involved in planning, designing, supplying, building or renovating healthcare facilities and beyond, EDAC certification offers numerous benefits including:

- Public recognition of evidence-based design expertise**
- Increased value with clients and employers**
- Ability to share a common language with other team members**
- Credibility when justifying expenditures for design decisions**
- Access to ongoing learning, tools and a professional network**

The Center provides resources to help prepare for the exam, opportunities to take the exam, and ongoing support to put EBD lessons learned into practice and earn CEUs for credential maintenance.

EDAC STUDY GUIDES

(available individually or as a set)

Volume 1: *An Introduction to Evidence-Based Design: Exploring Healthcare and Design*

Volume 2: *Building the Evidence Base: Understanding Research in Healthcare Design*

Volume 3: *Integrating Evidence-Based Design: Practicing the Healthcare Design Process*



EDAC EXAM PREP SESSIONS & VIDEOS

Join a live online prep session with opportunities for Q&A, and then refresh and get ready with on-demand prep videos.

EDAC SAMPLE EXAM & FLASHCARDS

The EDAC sample exam provides sample questions from the five key areas to help prepare for the EDAC exam. The flashcards are an official study tool to supplement the Study Guide materials. The flashcards and sample exam are available FREE to download.

Professional Industry Networks

The Center's premier collegial networks bring together executive-level facility, design and solutions professionals to learn and connect in open, strategic discussions, idea and resource exchanges, and personal dialog.



Built Environment Network
Pediatric Environment Network

Behavioral & Mental Health Environment Network
Aging Environment Network

Awards

Presented by The Center or together with our media and conference partners, these awards recognize outstanding projects, products, and individuals that have contributed to the evidence-based design field, helped advance the healthcare design industry, or demonstrated exemplary facility design.

Changemaker Award – Honors individuals or organizations that have significantly changed the way healthcare facilities are designed and built.



Touchstone Award – The Touchstone Award recognizes projects and products that use an evidence-based design (EBD) process.

Healthcare Environment Award – Co-sponsored by *Healthcare Design* magazine and The Center for Health Design, this award recognizes excellence in new or renovated healthcare facility design at Healthcare Design Conference & Expo.

New Investigator Research Award – Recognizes high-quality research studies by new investigators which are likely to fill critical gaps in evidence-based healthcare facility design.

Nightingale Product Design Award – Co-sponsored by *Healthcare Design* Magazine and The Center for Health Design, recognizing the best new products exhibited at the annual Healthcare Design Conference & Expo.

The Russ Coile Lifetime Achievement Award – Named for one of The Center's founding directors, this award recognizes individuals who, like Russ, have dedicated their careers to the advancement of the healthcare design field.