Knowledge Repository News

The past two months brings you 50 more entries into the Knowledge Repository spanning a range of topics. In these new entries, several papers are related to burnout – a combination of emotional exhaustion, depersonalization, and a perception of reduced personal accomplishments. This has been an increasingly important topic of discussion in healthcare. To date, limited research has suggested influences from light and noise.

In these newer studies, Cordoza and colleagues found even brief exposure to a garden during breaks reduced burnout, while Zwakhalen and colleagues found that working in small-scale dementia care settings did not have an effect on symptoms of burnout. Dieser and colleagues discuss a range of programs and features in the physical environment to support Mayo’s “serious leisure perspective.” The authors suggest elements such as art, music, and gardens are restorative for physicians, as well as patients. As the industry continues to struggle with this pervasive problem, the area is ripe for continued exploration that includes built environment solutions.


(Papers published ahead of print "in press" will be updated as volume and page information becomes available.)
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Experience

Perceived Quality of Care (Noise, Communication, Waiting, etc.)


Supportive Design (Social Support, Distractions, Nature, etc.)


Design & Evaluation (e.g., Process, Methods)


Safety


Infection Prevention/Control


Falls


Patient Handling/Mobility


Care across the Lifespan

Therapeutic Environments: Behavioral/Mental Health

*Psychiatric Facilities*


*Pediatric*


*Elders/Aging*


*Cognitive Impairment & Dementia*


*Aging in Place/Healthcare at Home*


*Technology*


**Other (Staff- and Organizational-Related)**


