

Special Issue

Innovations in Architecture for Mental Health

Message from the Guest Editors

Architecture and building design can play a critical role in the care of people with acute mental illnesses, although little has been published in this area. Acute mental health care is delivered in a number of settings, most of which involve containment of those who are mentally unwell. Attention to architecture and building design can either set the stage for the quality of mental health care provided and for recovery, creating an environment in which patients, staff, and visitors feel that they share a space that gives dignity to their condition, or it can contribute to delayed recovery and stigmatisation. Increasingly, architects are turning their focus to new models for care environments—Maggie's Centres for cancer recovery are one such example. This Special Issue calls for commentary or research papers that identify, document or address features of building design and underlying philosophies of care relevant to acute mental health care architecture. Such research is likely to come from architecture and design, public, environmental, or occupational health, nursing, medicine, and health and social sciences.

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