



Current Perspectives in the Literature on Environment Design in Long Term Care from the J.W. Crane Memorial Library

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Design for aging review.

<http://www.aia.org/static/dfa4/home.cfm>

Alzheimer's Australia. The use of colour in dementia-specific design

<http://www.alzheimers.org.au/content.cfm?infopageid=1212>

Center for Aging Services Technologies

<http://www.agingtech.org/index.aspx>

The Center for Aging Services Technologies (CAST) is an international coalition of more than 400 technology companies, aging services organizations, research universities, and government representatives.

Center of Design for an Aging Society

www.centerofdesign.org

The Center of Design for an Aging Society is dedicated to improving the built environment to maximize the abilities of older adults. Features drawings, plans and information on the Portland Memory Garden.

Center for Health Design.

www.healthdesign.org

The Center for Health Design offers a variety of resources for those looking for the latest trends in healthcare architecture and design and how using evidence-based design to create healing environments can impact patient satisfaction, staff satisfaction, nurse retention, medical outcomes, safety, quality, and financial performance.

Dementia Design Info

www.DementiaDesignInfo.org

This site was crated to help designers, providers, and others interested in crating supportive shared residential care settings for people with dementia.

Ideas Institute website


www.ideasinstitute.org

The mission of the IDEAS institute is to provide solutions that improve the life of older adults through research. Research examines the therapeutic potential of the environment - physical, social and organizational - as it relates to frail and impaired older adults. Website contains articles, some publications, projects and links.

Institute on Aging and the Environment. School of Architecture and Urban Planning, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee.

www.uwm.edu/Dept/IAE

Funded in 1990 to promote research, scholarship and service concerning environments for older persons, particularly those suffering from cognitive impairments. Includes publications, links to related sites, and information on consulting services and projects.

 **SOPRANO** stands for "Service-oriented Programmable Smart Environments for Older Europeans" and is an Integrated Project in the European Commission's 6th Framework Programme (IST Priority 6th Call on Ambient Assisted Living -AAL). The SOPRANO project is to develop affordable, smart ICT-based assisted living services with interfaces which are easy to use for older people and familiar in their home environment.

<http://www.soprano-ip.org>

Simon Fraser University. Gerontology Research Centre. Aging and the Built Environment

http://www.sfu.ca/grc/links_research_themes_built_environment.html

Therapeutic Landscapes Database

<http://www.healinglandscapes.org/>

The Therapeutic Landscapes Resource Center is a not-for-profit organization dedicated to providing information to the public about restorative landscapes, healing gardens, wellness gardens, and other research-based healthcare design

Technology for Long Term Care

<http://www.techforltc.org/ltc.cfm?pageid=153>

A website designed to provide healthcare professionals with information on and access to products that to improve the quality of life and care for seniors in long-term care settings.



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