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Journal Articles...

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Chalfont G. The Dementia Care Garden: Innovation in design and practice... Second of two articles. *Journal of Dementia Care* 2008 Jan-Feb;16(1):18-20.


Mazer SE. Turning in to the 'sound' environment. Long-Term Living 2008 Jun;57(6):30.


Robin Angell C. Applying design and color to healing. *Nursing Homes and Long Term Care Management* 2005;54(2):48-51.


Books and Videos...


Creating a home in nursing homes: Perspectives from the inside [VHS, 21 min.]. Bethesda, MD: Institute for Family-Centered Care; 2002.


Design for dementia: Six conference papers. Stirling, UK: Dementia Services Development Centre, University of Stirling; 1997.


Marshall M. *Designing balconies, roof terraces and roof gardens for people with dementia*. Stirling, UK: Dementia Services Development Centre, University of Stirling; 2010.


McNair D. *Light and lighting design for people with dementia*. 2nd ed. Stirling, UK: Dementia Services Development Centre, University of Stirling; 2010.


**On the Web...**

Alzheimer Knowledge Exchange Resource Centre. *Design and dementia*
The Dementia-Friendly Design Considerations is a series of ‘Knowledge to Practice Recommendations’ related to important physical design elements to facilitate the process of persons with dementia and their caregivers to make sense of their environment and improve well-being.

American Foundation for the Blind. *Creating an accessible environment for older individuals who are visually impaired*
atDementia. **Design and environment**  

Canadian Coalition for Seniors’ Mental Health. **Design principles: Supportive physical design principles for long-term care settings**  
http://www.cccsmh.ca/en/designPrinciples.cfm

**Center for Health Design**  
http://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.

**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. This site features drawings, plans and information on the Portland Memory Garden.

**IDEAS Institute**  
http://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 numerous articles, some publications, projects and links.

**InformeDesign**  
http://www.informedesign.umn.edu/Rs.aspx?s=occupants&tId=884  
InformeDesign, a clearinghouse for design and human behavior research, is a close working collaboration between the American Society of Interior Designers and the University of Minnesota. The mission of InformeDesign is to facilitate designers’ use of current, research-based information as a decision-making tool in the design process, thereby integrating research and practice. This link will take you to the section on Seniors and the Elderly.

**Institute on Aging and Environment** (School of Architecture and Urban Planning, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee)  
http://www4.uwm.edu/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.

**International Academy for Design & Health**  
http://www.designandhealth.com  
The International Academy for Design & Health is a global, interdisciplinary knowledge community dedicated to the stimulation and application of research concerning the interaction between design, health, science & culture.

Simon Fraser University Gerontology Research Centre. **Aging and the Built Environment**  
Page includes extensive bibliography on aging and the built environment, July 2008.
Social Care Institute for Excellence. **Dementia Gateway: The Environment**

**SOPRANO**
http://www.soprano-ip.org
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.

**Technology for Long-Term Care**
http://www.techforltc.org
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.

**Therapeutic Landscapes Network**
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.

NEW Thomas Pocklington Trust. **Design guidance for people with dementia and for people with sight loss** *(Research findings, December 2010, no. 35)*

NEW Victorian Government Health Information. **Dementia-friendly environments: A guide for residential care**

Whole Building Design Guide. **Nursing Home**
http://www.wbdg.org/design/nursing_home.php

NEW **World Health Design**
http://www.worldhealthdesign.com
Light, Health and Wellbeing: Implications from chronobiology for architectural design.

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