

# Place Research

Environmental Affordance for Social Support and Community  
in a New State-of-the-Science Rehabilitation Hospital

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"The research identifies a critical---and growing---concern within health care: how does the design of healthcare facilities improve/ speed recovery/ healing, foster patient wellness, support patients' families, and facilitate staff needs in the provision of care? The submission identifies a set of frameworks and methods (focus groups, interviews, mockups, among others) that informed the architecture's design and underscored a post-occupancy evaluation of the building's impact on patient experience."