



Design Guiding Principles – Task Force Approved

Guiding Principle	Definition
Aligns with the goals of the MAHC organization	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - design that aligns with the strategic areas of MAHC’s strategic plan - spaces that support MAHC’s mission, vision and values
Supports Patient- and Family-Centered Care	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - spaces that support a positive experience for visitors, patients and families - spaces that are suitable for all ages, religious and cultural backgrounds - spaces that are of appropriate size to accommodate family presence - spaces that facilitate high quality, safe, evidence-informed care processes
Promotes Health and Wellness	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - spaces that promote patient, staff and provider health and wellness - environments that support a positive work force and safe work life - facilities that support a culture of fairness, equity and connectedness - designs that reflect culturally-relevant lifestyles and populations
Facilitates Operational Excellence	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - embraces a design that is functional and flexible - spaces that appropriately balance cost with need - design that respects clinical adjacencies and flows - spaces that facilitate efficient care processes
Enables Innovation and Environmental Sustainability	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - spaces that are adaptable to technological advancements and modernization - design that capitalizes on the natural environment, ie: light, nature - design that follows LEED standards and minimizes the organization’s environmental impact
Promotes Community Connection and System Integration	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - spaces that complement the Muskoka and area ‘look’ and ‘feel’ - spaces that allow for greater learning opportunities, community education and collaboration with partners
Meets the ‘Quadruple Aim’	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - spaces that support better health, better care, better value, better provider experience