

## Design for Mental Health

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Nightingale Associates is an experienced, award-winning architectural practice specialising in the design of healthcare facilities, and the largest outside the USA specialising in this sector. With significant recent and ongoing experience in the design and delivery of a comprehensive range of mental healthcare projects in both the UK and Ireland, Nightingale Associates' clients can be safe in the knowledge that the Practice has the experience and expertise to deliver their vision for mental health facilities meeting current and future needs.

### **Our approach to mental health design**

Nightingale Associates is of the firm belief that a well designed environment plays a significant role in the wellbeing of its users and there is nowhere where this is more critical than in the mental healthcare sector, where building users can be at their most vulnerable. The Practice's overall approach to mental

healthcare facility design is therefore to create uplifting, well designed, safe and therapeutic environments which support and encourage individual recovery and enable staff to provide optimum levels of appropriate therapy, care and treatment.

### **Overview of experience**

Nightingale Associates has been responsible for over 85 commissions in the mental health sector ranging from feasibility studies through to award-winning completed schemes. The services provided by these schemes include: Inpatient services; Community facilities for outpatients and community teams; Secure units including low, medium and maximum; Forensics; Adult Acute; ICU and PICU; CAMHS; Older Adult Functional; Older Adult Organic; Substance Misuse; Learning Disabilities; Challenging Behaviour; Deaf; Eating Disorders; Mother and Baby; Neuropsychiatry; Personality Disorders.

