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### ...On the Web

Alzheimer's Association. Green-field Library. **Specialized dementia care in residential settings (includes facility and environmental design): resource list.**

[www.alz.org/Resources/ResourceLists.asp](http://www.alz.org/Resources/ResourceLists.asp)

#### **Center of Design for an Aging Society**

[www.centerofdesign.org](http://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.

O'Keefe, Joanne. **Creating a Senior Friendly Physical Environment in our Hospitals**. Sept 2003.

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A set of guidelines put out by The Regional Geriatric Assessment Program of Ottawa to establish a safe hospital environment. Addresses such issues as lighting, sound, doors, and flooring.

#### **Environment and Gerontology Network**

<http://arch.knu.ac.kr/~gero/index.html>

The Environment and Gerontology Network, a network from the International Association for People-Environment Studies and the Environmental Design Research Association, is concerned with the effect of environmental design on older people.

#### **Ideas Institute website**

[www.ideasinstitute.org](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 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](http://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.

**Safety and Health Topics: Nursing Homes and Personal Care Facilities.**

Occupational Safety & Health Administration. U.S. Department of Labor.

<http://www.osha.gov/SLTC/nursinghome/index.html>

Contains examples of successful health and safety programs as well as additional resources, and online e-tools to assist staff in making the workplace safe for both residents and workers.

**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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