

1. Breakthroughs in medical technology, telemedicine, imaging, and surgical techniques continuing to reshape our hospitals and healthcare systems.
2. The revolution in patient-centered care is redefining healthcare facilities as highly healing environments.
3. Changes of reimbursement policies and aging populations are driving the creation of new types of long-term care facilities.

The driving force behind each of these changes is evolution. As the form and function of our healthcare organizations evolve, the physical archetype of hospitals, clinics, and long-term care facilities will also undergo an evolutionary transformation. The ideas and innovations described in this paper—combined with the visionary skills of individuals—can help us envision, plan, and create the next generation of healthcare facilities.

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