

Health Design in New Zealand

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ONE HUNDRED AND NINETY YEARS OF HOSPITAL BUILDING HISTORY

Hospitals are often among the largest public buildings in New Zealand communities, yet they tend not to be well represented in architectural histories. This deeply researched and highly illustrated book rights the balance in documenting the buildings erected to provide healthcare across Aotearoa New Zealand through its history.

It explores some of the designers who developed specialisations in creating hospital, mental health and other types of care facilities from the 1830s to the 2020s, and it tells the story of how these buildings evolved as medicine advanced and ideas about health progressed.

From simple early buildings to the gleaming, high-tech medical centres of the modern era, this well illustrated book makes an important contribution to this history of New Zealand architecture history.

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SALES POINTS

- Another excellent architecture book from Massey University Press
- Of interest to architects, hospital administrators and local communities
- Handsome design

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