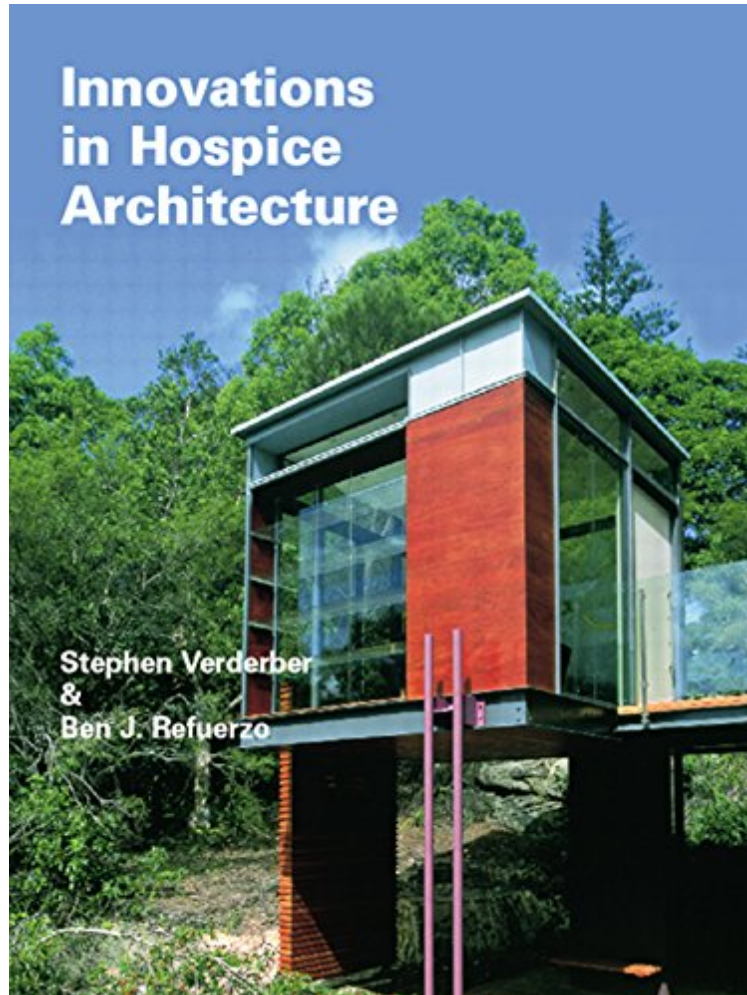


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0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. A good guide to designing hospice facilitiesBy L. SchattmanWell written and thoroughly researched (with 11 pages of end notes), this book provides a wealth of information about designing facilities for hospice and palliative care. Part 1 puts hospice care in context by exploring the "architectural history of hospice" and the nature of palliative care as a way to ease patients' end of life. Part 2 examines recent trends in and design consideration for hospice facilities. Part 3, which makes up approximately half of the book, features 18 case studies, including medical campuses, community-based facilities, adaptive use strategies, and hospice facilities for children. Each case study includes a brief overview of the project (typically about 4 paragraphs) describing the site, the design aesthetic, and the different parts of the facility. Each case study is generously illustrated with photographs (color and black-and-white) and plans. Add a book like Time-Save Standards and perhaps a guide to ADA

accessibility, and you have all you need to design a healing and inviting hospice. Highly recommended for libraries with healthcare design collections.

Providing much-needed focus on hospice projects in the context of unprecedented rates of societal ageing, this new reference book presents an overview of major recent developments in this rapidly evolving building type. The authors present an overview of the historical origins of the contemporary hospice and the diverse variations on the basic premise of hospice care, and offer a series of case studies of exemplary hospices. The most innovative work in this area over the past decade has been in Japan, the US, Canada and the UK, and the authors describe and analyze examples both as individual projects and as comparable yet differing approaches. *Hospice Architecture* will be essential reading for anyone involved in the planning, design and construction of hospices.

About the Author Verdeber and Refuerzo founded the practice R-2ARCH/Los Angeles and New Orleans 15 years ago and have completed many architectural research-based design projects and their work has been published widely. Many of their healthcare projects have received national awards.