



Resilient Aging Environments Network

The Resilient Aging Environments Network (RAEN) – modeled after our highly-regarded and established Built Environment Network – is The Center for Health Design’s newest collaborative for executive-level leaders in senior living, design and manufacturing/consulting who are involved in the dynamic issues of supporting resiliency for an aging population in supportive environments.

During facilitated in-person and virtual meetings throughout the year, a dedicated team at The Center supports the RAEN network with resources and connections to address specific topics and member priorities.

Combining access to a depth of expertise, career experiences, and diversity of perspectives for practical problem solving, the convivial conversations and dedicated programming enable members to stay on top and in front of industry challenges, opportunities, and solutions. The quality of these exchanges is unmatched.

Members turn to network colleagues, directly or in our online forum, for experienced help with a wide range of strategic, operational, and executive-level challenges, fostering deep and enduring professional and trusted relationships.

It is a learning, sharing, imagining, relationship-creating, difference-making experience unlike any other.

Network members share:

- The ability and desire to foster knowledge, growth and success of the group;
- A willingness to learn from and share with colleagues uncommon innovations;
- A belief in the power of collaboration to achieve improved quality of life, quality of care, and quality of work outcomes through the design and construction of senior living environments; and,
- The desire, commitment and ability to influence the industry, individually and as a group of dedicated thought leaders.

It’s a rare opportunity to be a part of a dedicated group of professionals who are committed to shaping the future environments and the lives of older adults through thoughtful engagement and learning with customized access to The Center’s research, education, and community resources.

Facilitating the Network



Migette Kaup, PhD, EDAC

Dr. Migette Kaup is a researcher and educator in the field of gerontological design with over 30 years of experience in a wide range of age-specific environments.

She emphasizes the need to recognize that housing and care span multiple dimensions of place and practice. She studies and works with long-term care providers, where we are seeing significant shifts in how practitioners approach their jobs. She understands that a deep inquiry into these concepts enables designers to provide innovative solutions that support high quality of care and life for seniors who call these settings “home.”

She publishes regularly in a variety of books and journals, and her national and international presentations are focused on the translational significance of research. She is a recognized Fellow of the Gerontological Society of America and the Interior Design Educators Council.

Each year the group will join for:

- **One (1) in-person 1½ day meeting** that will include hands-on, in-the-field, behind-the-scenes learning opportunities; The first in-person meeting is envisioned to take place in early 2024.
- **Three (3) 90-minute virtual drumbeat calls to share and learn** from one another about current issues of the day impacting members right now; and,
- **Two (2) virtual four-hour deep dive meetings** that will include presentations by both members and other industry experts.

Meetings are planned and conducted by a professional facilitator with deep knowledge of strategy in senior living environments, with programming evolving from members' discussions of issues and topics of shared interest and desire for deeper exploration.

To ensure the collegial nature of the network, the number of spaces available is limited and special care is taken to cultivate a membership that is reflective of the industry with a balance between facility directors and planners, architecture and design professionals, industry consultants and product manufacturers.

The new network will launch in the fall of 2023.

To learn more or to apply for membership contact

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“Senior living environments are desperate for innovation, which best occurs when bright, dedicated people come together and openly contribute to the collective genius. An innovation community like this provides a safe place where we can be inspired, challenged and supported to create transformative environments where older adults can thrive.”

~ **Steve Lindsey**

Chief Executive Officer

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