

Call for Lightning Talk Presentations

AHC Fall Conference: Resiliency Through Physical Design

November 4 & 5, 2021 – Virtual

OVERVIEW

This year's AIA AHC Fall Event includes two days of virtual interdisciplinary presentations, design case studies, and conversations continuing the theme of resiliency in design and construction, while maintaining our focus on emotional well-being and mental health for all occupants. How we can overcome obstacles and challenges inherent in wholistic and resilient design in healthcare environments? On November 4th and 5th we welcome AEC and healthcare professionals to join us at this dynamic program.

INTENDED AUDIENCE

The AHC Fall Event audience includes: Architects, Designers, Engineers, Contractors, Healthcare Practitioners and Policymakers, Facility Owners/Managers, Urban Designers and Planners, and Public Health Professionals. **The planning task force welcomes emerging professionals to the program, as their partnership is central to defining a sustainable future.**

CALL FOR LIGHTNING TALK PRESENTATIONS

Submission Deadline: October 6, 2021

We seek to convene a series of short "lightning" talk presentations (think [PechaKucha format](#)) that will deepen the audience's understanding of current research and design innovations driving towards a focus on:

- Resiliency: humanistic
- Resiliency: built environment
- Resiliency: natural environment
- Disaster preparedness
- Infrastructure innovation
- Wholistic healthcare environments

Lightning Talks are an opportunity to share ideas and concepts under development and pushing the bounds of convention. **We welcome a diversity of proposals from a variety of disciplines deploying design thinking to build a brighter future and strongly encourage emerging professionals and young designers to propose.**

PRESENTATION TOPICS

Proposals should specifically address innovation in the context of healthcare or healthcare environments. Possible subtopics are included below, but the list is not comprehensive, and should not limit submitters.

- Innovative planning or design strategies that support healthy communities
- Processes or techniques that integrate disaster preparedness into design (eg. wildfire, earthquakes, active shooter, pandemic).
- Methodologies for measuring and monitoring care during construction.
- Integrating mental health of patient care providers in design.

- Integration and innovation in the natural environment supporting healthcare
- Aging infrastructure, system redundancy, and the level of resiliency required.
- Integrating wellness technology into patient care and staff care.

PRESENTATION FORMAT

Lightning talk presentations are short and should be no more than seven (7) minutes in length.

Inspired by [PechaKucha's concise format](#), presentations must limit their slides (number of slides may vary), and set them to advance automatically.

Standard audio, visual, and digital media will be supported.

Presenters must submit their **final** PowerPoint presentation files to AHC **no later than 5:00pm PST on Thursday, October 28**. A PowerPoint template will be provided in advance, and late presentations will not be accepted.

We encourage presenters to use the following questions as a guide to prepare their short talks:

- **WHAT** is the INNOVATION that your lightning talk will focus on? Is it a process, a tool, a product, a space, an interaction, etc.?
- **WHY** the innovation? Identify the problem or challenge that prompted the innovation.
- **HOW** was the innovation developed, tested, implemented in the context of healthcare environments?
- **WHO** were the stakeholders in research, funding, implementation, etc.? Who was impacted by the innovation? Who was required to embrace the change and/or assume the risks?

EVALUATION CRITERIA AND SELECTION PROCESS

Lightning talk proposals will be evaluated by the AIA Seattle AHC Board Members with AIA staff. Successful proposals will:

- Align with the event theme and objectives
- Deepen audience understanding of a particular design innovation
- Offer fresh insight and relevant information through the combination of words and visuals

Speakers should be able to effectively communicate messages to a variety of audience members. While relevant examples of innovation projects can be used for presentation (and credit given to the appropriate individuals/teams), the lightning talk sessions are not a platform for marketing a person or firm's portfolio, services, or, strategies. Preference will be given to proposals by emerging professionals and young designers.

SUBMISSION PROCESS + KEY DATES

Please complete the submission form **by 5:00pm on October 6, 2021**. Late submissions will not be accepted.

Schedule and Deadlines

- September 20, 2021: Call for lightning talks goes out
- October 6, 2021: Proposals due
- October 18, 2021: Acceptances issued
- October 28, 2021: Final PowerPoint presentations due to AHC Committee



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- November 4 or 5, 2021: Presentations at 2021 AIA AHC Fall Event: Resiliency Through Physical Design, 8am – 12pm both days. NOTE: Exact date and time of presentation TBD pending finalization of conference schedule.

Registration

Free registration is offered to all presenters who want to attend the 2-day AIA AHC Spring Event. Please be advised that presenters will be responsible for any expenses incurred.

Inquiries

Please address any questions to:

Architecture for Health Committee
Fall Event Committee
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Presenter's Name

Job Title / Company Name

E-mail Address

Phone Number

Short Bio and (150 words or less)

Brief Presentation Proposal:

In 300 words or less, please describe the content of your proposed innovation lightning talk.

Submissions are due **by 5:00pm PST on October 6, 2021**. Late submissions will not be accepted. Please email submissions and any questions to: Architecture for Health Committee: AHCchairs@aiaseattle.org