

Review of: "Controlling Offenses on Health Care Personnel through Environmental Design of Healthcare Environments"

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I thank the Qeios Peer Review Team for inviting me to review the manuscript "Controlling Offenses on Health Care Personnel through Environmental Design of Healthcare Environments".

The authors approach a topic of paramount importance in an interesting and innovative way. I think the manuscript needs some improvements before being considered for publication:

In the Methods section there is no information about the qualitative interviews script. The authors should also add the full script as supplementary material. The space syntax used (Klarqvist, 2015) should be moved to the Methods section and better explained

The study population should be characterized (at least demographic variables)

The figures in the Results section are an interesting way of presenting the study findings. However, at least for me, they are a bit confusing. One suggestion would be to identify the areas directly on the drawing (waiting room, treatment areas, patients' beds

A section should be added with a more in-depth discussion (either a Discussion section or a Discussion and Conclusions section, more elaborated than the current Conclusions section), including comparisons with published studies.