

Review of: "Crime Prevention through Environmental Design in Healthcare Facilities: A study of Sehat Al Sharq at Al Khobar, KSA"

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Dear Author,

It is an honour to review this manuscript. Using environmental design to solve our everyday problems is a great feat. However, this document can be further improved.

Overall,

The manuscript could benefit from a thorough review. Some of my observations are listed below

- The writing can be improved to be more concise and to aid clarity.
- Abbreviation/acronym should only be used subsequently after their initial introduction. For example in the title, what is KSA?? You have used IAHS in the second paragraph of your introduction before stating the full meaning in the literature review. Same applies with CPTED
- At the moment, I do not find the referencing sufficient or appropriate. For example "There are many pieces of evidence available that the physical environment of hospitals can affect the healing process. A safe environment is a major contributor to healing, yet violence generated by patients and visitors is increasing at astonishing rates. Improving security and safety in healthcare begins with design". I suppose these three statements are not yours yet they are not referenced. if you imply they are from Ronda G, (2008), then revise the entire paragraph to aid clarity. Same applies in your second paragraph "A multi-hazard approach that considers all engineering systems including architectural, structural, mechanical, and electrical systems allows security applications to be cost-effectively integrated into the overall design" Ref?? and in few other places including in the methodology session.
- The reason for adopting the mixed method is not clear. the analysis is also unclear.
- I would usually put the results and discussion before the conclusion.
- In your abstract, you have mentioned a roadmap while the manuscript is short of one. You could use a more appropriate term instead.