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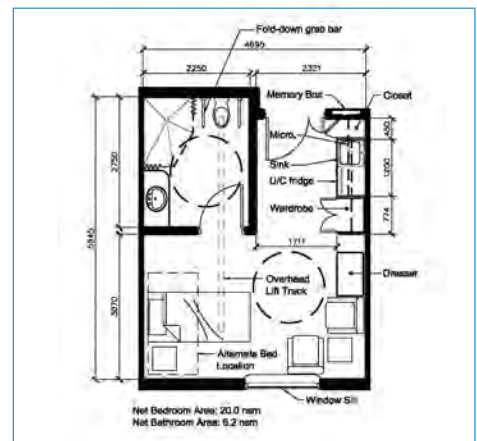
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NEWSLETTER

EVIDENCE BASED DESIGN

Our firm has been applying evidence based design principles to our projects for the last five years. We are very excited to announce that we have partnered with the Alberta Centre on Aging (ACA) at the U of A, Alberta Seniors and East Central Health to undertake a research project at the newly opened Vegreville Care Centre. The thesis of the research is that the quality of the environment is a determinant of the resident's health. Laurel Strain, Director of the ACA is leading the research work. Data collection will occur at three distinct points: before residents move in to the new facility, three months later and

then again one year after. Data will be collected from residents, families and caregivers. The data will be both quantitative and qualitative. The first set of data collection has already been completed and we look forward to sharing the results. ●



BIG NEWS

VEGREVILLE CARE PROJECT GRAND OPENING

RPAP's office attended the grand opening and ribbon cutting for the new 60 resident continuing care centre in Vegreville along with dignitaries such as the Honourable Premier Ed Stelmach, and the Honourable Jack Hayden, Minister of Infrastructure, representatives of East Central Health and many members from the community.

We are very proud of this facility and hope that the residents will enjoy their new space for many years to come. So far we have received great feedback from the residents and community at large. Great work team! ●

AFFORDABLE HOUSING

One of RPAP's core values is to be socially responsible in the communities in which we live and work. We are very proud to be working on two local projects that will provide much needed affordable housing in Edmonton. The Sundance Seniors' Apartment Building will provide nine new seniors friendly rental suites in Riverdale, allowing seniors to age in the same community in which they currently live (referred to as aging-in-place). The Arts Hub 118 Building will not only be the

new home of the Nina Haggerty Centre for the Arts but will also provide 16 low cost condominiums that will go a long way towards contributing to the ongoing revival efforts of 118th Avenue. ●



UNDER CONSTRUCTION

- RPAP recently completed an exciting new masterplan for health care delivery in Fort McMurray in collaboration with the Blackwell Group.
- The design for a senior's friendly condominium complex in Camrose is nearing completion.
- Projects in Vermilion and Lloydminster are in the process of commissioning and

occupancy. Look for grand opening information shortly.

- Construction is now underway for an exciting new renovation and expansion to the beloved Muttart Conservatory. Completion will be early in 2009.
- RPAP is in the midst of working drawings on a combined assisted living and independent living seniors' facility in Wainwright.