

This study will identify design strategies for creating effective environments for health care professionals working in emergency departments, specifically design attributes that support mindfulness and stress management practices.

“The guideline will enable designers to enhance the life of frontline health care professionals who work in notoriously chaotic environments, often at the expense of their own well-being,” Valipoor said.

This year’s ASID Foundation Research committee members included Sally Augustin, principal, Design With Science; Tamie Glass, associate professor, The University of Texas at Austin, School of Architecture; Lisa Henry, CEO, Greenway Group; Denise Rush, dean and faculty, Boston Architectural College, School of Interior Architecture; Kay Sargent, senior principal and director of Workplace, HOK.

#### ASSOCIATIONS

### ASID Releases Two Topic Specific Compensation Reports for Firm Size and Designer Specialization

➤ The American Society of Interior Designers (ASID) has compiled reports highlighting how career path, specialty and firm size impact salary. “The ASID 2019 Salaries & Benefits Specialization Report” and “Firm Size” reports come on the heels of the organization’s first-ever “Interior Design Salaries and Benefits General Report” released in June 2019.

ASID focused on the commercial and residential sectors to gather and assess data. The findings shed light on compensation differences among design professionals and the benefits and salary trends in firms of all sizes. It also looked at career timing for peak salary and the importance of certifications and licenses.

“ASID seeks to arm our members with the best possible tools for success,” said Randy Fiser, ASID CEO. “The targeted compensation reports are an example of that — by having a thorough understanding of industry trends, designers are empowered to know how their experience, expertise and career decisions are valued.”

The salaries and benefits report participants were comprised of 39.3% commercial designers, 37.4% residential designers and 23.3% who work in both sectors. The majority of commercial designer respondents specialize in workplace (70%), followed by hospitality (35%) and health care (33%), with others reporting work in education, government and financial services, retail, facility management, historic preservation and entertainment. The residential respondent’s focus was on kitchen and bath (70%) and luxury (69%), with others noting aging-in place, multifamily, multigeneration, historic preservation, sustainability and model home projects.

#### MANUFACTURER / SOFTWARE

### Clear Design Launches CET Designer Extension

➤ Office furniture manufacturer Clear Design has launched a product catalog extension for Configura’s CET Designer, the all-in-one software solution for space planning and configuration.

Clear Design opted to include new Smart Symbols in its fully automated digital catalog so users can drag and drop selected items into a layout that functions with the company’s specific item numbers, pricing and configuration options. It will allow clients and Clear’s internal team to create accurate quotes and photo-realistic renderings quickly and efficiently.

“CET has quickly become a widely used tool in the commercial interior space, and we’re excited to partner with Configura to make our products available to its users,” said Robert Warrilow, Clear Design director of operations. “Creating configurations, renderings and accurate quotes for Clear Design products is now faster and easier than ever, which is an important milestone for both our client experience and our Lean journey.”

With the new extension, users can easily adjust workstations for their specific needs and correlating parts and pricing will update automatically, eliminating the possibility for errors or misconfigurations. Clear Design’s furniture for the office, from workstations to conference tables to training solutions, is included in the extension.

“I’ve worked with Clear Design for several years; they are always able to move quickly and have a great team,” said Kimberly Jordan of Source COI, a Clear Design dealer. “I very much look forward to using their extension in CET, and only imagine it will even further enhance working with the Clear Design team.”

## EVENTS

## WELL Conference Announces Dates, Location

📍 The International WELL Building Institute (IWBI), in collaboration with the American Society of Interior Designers (ASID) and Emerald Expositions, has announced that The WELL Conference will be March 29 through April 1, 2020, at the Fairmont Princess Hotel in Scottsdale, Arizona.

The WELL Conference is the first major gathering to focus solely on the health and well-being of people and how better buildings, communities, organizations, products and technologies help all of us connect and thrive. It’s designed to offer a richly immersive experience for attendees across multiple sectors while presenting a health-centric and mentally stimulating experience.

Architecture, design and engineering communities, real estate developers, corporate leaders, public health practitioners and technology professionals will all find opportunities for knowledge-sharing and connection at The WELL Conference. Program topics will include neuroscience, design solutions that improve health outcomes in any setting, workplace policies that support higher employee engagement and leadership skills training.

## CAREERS

## Cheryl S. Durst, Appointed to the New York School of Interior Design Board of Trustees

📍 The New York School of Interior Design has appointed Cheryl S. Durst, executive vice president and CEO of the International Interior Design Association (IIDA), as a member of the college’s board of trustees.



Durst

“Cheryl has a wealth of experience and her leadership has been key to the success of IIDA,” said David Sprouls, NYSID president. “Her unique perspective combined with her individual commitment to NYSID and the interior design industry will be a valuable addition to the board. IIDA, itself a nonprofit, has a strong alignment with the mission and goals of NYSID, and we look forward to her leadership as a member of our board of trustees.”