

**Joan L. Saba, AIA, FACHA**  
Principal

Joan has concentrated her career on healthcare facilities and has an in-depth understanding of the challenges posed by designing a first-rate operation that provides the utmost value for the patient and the owner. Known for her ability to steer medical center committees to consensus and for bringing complex projects to successful completion, her talent includes creating innovative, effective and efficient solutions to meet the challenges of complex healthcare projects.

**Education**

Bachelor of Architecture  
Carnegie Mellon University with University Honors

**Registration**

Pennsylvania, Massachusetts, Connecticut, Michigan, NCARB

**Memberships**

American Institute of Architects  
Academy of Architecture for Health 2002, President  
Chair, Program Committee and Board of Directors: Academy of Architecture for Health  
Vice Chair Programs: The Healthcare Assembly  
Connecticut Women in Healthcare Management  
Board of Regents, Fellow, American College of Healthcare Architects  
American College of Healthcare Architects 2000, 2001, 2002, 2003

**Selected Project Experience**

Medical University of South Carolina  
Phase I Replacement Hospital  
Charleston, South Carolina  
Planning Consultant

**Prior Project Experience**

Hartford Hospital  
Master Plan  
Surgery, ED, Imaging, and Women's Health Addition and Renovation  
Hartford, Connecticut

Brigham & Women's Hospital  
Center for Advanced Medicine  
Visioning Women's Ambulatory Health  
Boston, Massachusetts

Emory Medical School  
Emory Pediatric Clinical Building  
Ambulatory Care Clinic  
Vivarium  
Clinical Research  
Atlanta Georgia

Yale University/VA CT Healthcare Systems West Haven Campus  
Psychiatric Emergency Department  
Emergency Department  
Cardiology, Nuclear Medicine, Occupational Therapy Renovation  
West Haven, Connecticut

Connecticut Children's Medical Center  
Master Plan  
Addition and Renovations  
Ambulatory Surgery Addition and Clinical Research Center  
Hartford, Connecticut

Griffin Hospital/Planetree  
Renovations and Cancer Center  
Derby, Connecticut

DeKalb Medical Center  
Women's Health Building  
Decatur, Georgia

Kingston Hospital  
Parking Garage  
Addition for ED, ICU, MOB, Women's Center  
Kingston, New York

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### Teaching and Presentations

Planetree Conference

-Presenter, Fall 2001

-“Patient Centered Design in a Technologically-Driven Clinical Setting”

American Society for Healthcare Engineering (ASHE) with AIA Academy of Architecture for Health

-“ICU 2010”; March 2000

-“Business Case for Healing Environments”  
March 2002, 2003

Harvard University, Professional Development Program

-Faculty, 1999-2003

-“Complexities of Healthcare Planning and Design for Technology-Driven Super Departments: Imaging/Emergency/Surgery”

Texas A&M/George Bush Library Conference Center

-Panelist; May 1999

-“ICU 2010”

The Healthcare Assembly

-Faculty; April 1999

-“You and Your Architect: Healthcare Architect/Client Relationships” co-presentation, Brigham and Women’s Hospital

AIA/AAH ED2002, Oct. 2002

-Speaker, Healing Environments Forum

AIA/NIH/Salk Clinic Neurosciences

Symposium, Woodshole, August 2002

-Invited Panelist & Facilitator

Lakeland Regional Health System  
Ambulatory Care Center/Planetree  
Community Hospital Additions and Renovations  
Tertiary Hospital Additions and Renovations  
St. Joseph, Michigan

St. Francis Hospital  
Additions and Alterations  
ED and Ambulatory Care Center  
Cardio-cath Lab and Stat Lab  
Cardiac Intensive Care  
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

Newark Beth Israel Medical Center  
Emergency Department Addition and Renovation  
Newark, New Jersey

Pfizer  
Clinical Building  
New Haven, Connecticut

Yale University, J.W. Gibbs Laboratory  
New Haven, Connecticut

Hospital for Special Care  
Addition and Renovation  
Chronic Care Rehabilitation  
New Britain, Connecticut