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Physicians who are considering building a new non-hospital facility and/or renovating an existing non-hospital facility, are strongly encouraged to contact the non-hospital program in the planning stage prior to procuring space for a new facility and/or embarking on a renovation of an existing facility.

The design and construction/renovation of a non-hospital is complex. Program staff members are knowledgeable in the required standards for physical design and can answer some initial questions, provide a list of the applicable Canadian Standards Association (CSA) standards, and highlight some important design requirements from the standards such as *CSA Z8000 Canadian Health Care Facilities - Planning, Design and Construction* and the Ministry of Health *Best Practice Guidelines for the Cleaning, Disinfection and Sterilization of Critical and Semi-Critical Medical Devices*.

In addition, having all of the required individuals (e.g. architect, engineers, infection prevention and control consultant) experienced in health-care facility design at the table from the pre-design phase right through to construction completion and operation is essential in ensuring the facility meets standards for accreditation.

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