



## **Mark Vaughan, AIA, FACHA, LSSB**

### **Medical Planning Director & Principal at Page**

Mark Vaughan, national champion for empathetic architecture, sensitively innovates complex health environments for life's most vulnerable patients, elevates the standard by which health architects are credentialed, and inspires young professionals through intensely personal mentorship.

#### **EMPATHY**

Mark crushes the tyranny of the urgent and emergent by bringing clarity, calm, and piercing sensitivity to health design clients whose work is chaotic and challenging as they help people in life-threatening situations.

Mark's empathy focused planning brings peace and coherence for patients, families, and clinicians who are in the middle of a health crisis, stressed and mentally preoccupied. Patients and families struggle to cope with life threatening moments and are typically not thinking clearly as they attempt to access health services.

#### **KNOWLEDGE**

Mark elevates the national standard for health design by insisting that design research and thought leadership be integral to the examination process by which architects are board certified in the health design specialty.

Mark generously shares his passion and experience with empathy focused planning, lean thinking, patient safety, and research informed solutions. Through public discourse and writing, Mark challenges the healthcare industry with supportive design principles, including patient safe room design to support critical medical interventions in high-risk scenarios. Mark volunteered time and thought leadership on the American College of Healthcare Architects exam content committee. He provided the college with vital input to prepare a new ACHA board certification exam. His innovative insights raised the standard of what it takes to become and practice as a board-certified healthcare architect.

#### **MENTORSHIP**

Mark inspires next generation architects to career excellence, challenging them to transform healthcare through better built environments. His personal, unselfish mentoring empowers aspiring architects with self-confidence, high ethical standards, and a sense of duty to mentor someone else.

For the past 32 years, Mark has wielded considerable influence on the profession through his mentorship. He leaves a lasting impression on up-and-coming architects as they build upon his legacy of leadership, knowledge, and inspiration. Beyond his time nurturing multiple young aspiring architects, he has provided leadership in selecting and training 33 recipients of the prestigious and



nationally competitive Tradewell Fellowship (TF). This is a unique one-year program offering aspiring healthcare architects' exceptional career-building opportunities.