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JSA's design for Northeast Rehab Hospital wins People's Choice Award

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JSA Inc has been honored with the People's Choice Award for Excellence in Architecture from AIA New Hampshire for the architectural design at Northeast Rehabilitation Hospital at Pease. The People's Choice Award is based upon voting by the public and the professional design community that takes place during the display of all 2012 AIA Award entries shown prior to its annual meeting. Northeast Rehabilitation Hospital at Pease, specializing in serving patients with brain and spinal injuries, provides a reassuring environment with easy access to numerous therapeutic opportunities and exposure to activities of daily living indoors and out. An indoor gym includes a real car, mock transit bus, mini-movie theater, caf  , convenience store, and salon. Outdoors, patients experience various walking surfaces, a footbridge, raised planting beds, exercise equipment and a sports court. The first level features a lobby, dining space with an outdoor patio, additional physical therapy space, hydro therapy, imaging facilities, an ambulance entrance as well as supporting services.

"This design gives us great therapeutic opportunity," said John Prochilo, CEO of Northeast Rehabilitation Hospital Network. "The architectural design firm, JSA Inc, first spent a significant amount of time at our Salem facility and interviewed dozens of therapists, nurses, and aides to get perspectives on combining best practices with the best design." The hospital admitted their first patients July of 2011.

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