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## **2023 Women in Construction: Nicole Kirouac, Mangel DeStefano Architects**

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What was your greatest professional achievement or most notable project in the last 12 months? One of my most notable projects in the past year was a community behavioral health clinic. As architects, we always strive to improve the experience of the end user through strategic, thoughtful design. In a behavior health setting, design has a direct impact on the success of each individual therapy session. It was interesting to speak with the different clinicians and to hear firsthand their perspectives on how certain design elements affected patients, both positively and negatively. Together, we created a soothing, therapeutic atmosphere at the clinic that will have a positive impact on the community for years to come.

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