

MEMBERSHIP – CODE OF PROFESSIONAL CONDUCT

The objectives of the Design In Mental Health Network are:

1. The advancement of education concerning design in mental healthcare settings, sharing good practice, promoting reflective design practice, gathering and disseminating evidence based research and raising awareness of the influence of design on mental wellbeing.
2. The advancement of the human rights of mental health service users, through their involvement in design processes and decision making.
3. The relief of those in need by reason of mental ill health.
4. The advancement of improved mental healthcare environments for the benefit of staff and service users.

DIMHN has agreed a Code of Professional Conduct that is binding on all Member companies operating in the design and construction of the mental health built environment.

- a. Member companies shall at all times conduct themselves in a manner that upholds the reputation of the network and the profession.
- b. Member companies shall ensure that they perform only those services that are within their competence.
- c. Member companies shall not use misleading statements or inaccurate information in promotional activities.
- d. Member companies shall not recklessly or maliciously injure the professional reputation, prospects or business of other members.
- e. Member companies will take all necessary steps to ensure that this Code of Professional Conduct is circulated to all members of its staff and shall ensure, by assessment, that such persons observe the code.
- f. Member companies shall not bring the DIMHN into disrepute
- g. Member companies will work to assist the DIMHN in meeting the objectives listed above and disseminating good practice in design.

It is the duty of all member companies to assist the DIMHN in the enforcement of this code. If the DIMHN, having duly and properly investigated an alleged breach of the code by a member and finds that member company to be in breach of the code, it shall take such disciplinary action as it shall deem appropriate.