

Herman Miller Healthcare and Nemschoff Elevate the Human Experience of Care at NeoCon 2015

At NeoCon 2015, Herman Miller Healthcare and Nemschoff apply human-centered design thinking to environments for working and healing. Through the combination of Nemschoff's expertise with design for patients and families, and Herman Miller's expertise with design for the care team, the NeoCon presentation in space 3-330 demonstrates how effective design and furnishings can elevate health and wellness spaces across the continuum of care.

The showroom illustrates distinct moments from a patient's journey of care. Each setting has been optimized to meet the functional and emotional needs of the patient, their guests, and their caregivers in those moments. The displayed settings break from conventional healthcare environments to offer more natural and desirable ways to work and heal. The showroom flows from setting to setting, demonstrating how surroundings, furnishings, and tools can be seamlessly integrated to create holistic environments that function better, and feel better to the people within them.

The settings on display include a welcoming and well-appointed waiting area that supports a range of waiting activities and accommodates the needs of individuals, couples, groups, and families with children. A Treatment Room provides a home-like setting to create familiarity and comfort. Devoid of distractions, the Consult Room supports important conversations. A workplace Wellness Room enables users to focus on their well-being in a private space. Highlighting the growing role of education in healthcare, a space specifically outfitted for learning keeps people engaged with materials and connected to each other. With these diverse settings, Herman Miller Healthcare and Nemschoff demonstrate how the principles of a Healthcare Living Office can be applied in real organizations to improve the experience of care.

Three new product introductions are woven into the healthcare showroom at NeoCon 2015: The Ava Recliner, Easton Multiple Seating, and Parsons tables.

Introducing the Ava Recliner

With the Ava Recliner, designed by David Ritch and Mark Saffell of 5d Studio, Nemschoff introduces a lighter, more inviting seating option that is both intuitively comforting and comfortable for patients even when sitting for long stretches. Caregivers find Ava responsive to their needs, with thoughtful features like pivoting arms, dual-sided controls, and lay-flat recline.

A departure from the typical recliner, Ava's lean form is designed to operate easily even in smaller patient rooms, without compromising on comfort or the interior size of the seat. The wingback model provides a feeling of security, while a reverse recline and independent footrest controls increase comfort. Improved kinematics provide a back pivot location that more closely mimics the body's movement. Side tables enhance functionality, while oversized twin wheel casters improve mobility.

Introducing Easton Multiple Seating

Easton, a sleek seating system with a metal base, makes for a more accommodating and comfortable waiting experience. Its variety of sizes and heights can be combined to easily meet the needs of individuals, families, and those who are physically challenged.

The durable construction provides lasting performance, and an open, sled-base design makes it easy to keep the seating area clean. Spanner tables with integrated power can be easily added to hold and charge personal devices. Multiple seating and table options, including Plus and Easy Access chairs, let Easton accommodate guests with varying needs.

Introducing Parsons Tables

Offering ultimate versatility, the new Parsons table collection from Nemschoff allows for seamless transitions between many different styles and spaces. Offering a wide variety of materials, colors, and configurations, Parsons tables work beautifully with any combination of furniture. The neutral design of the Parsons table offering provides consistency between dining or snack areas and lobbies and waiting rooms. Optional integrated power enables designers to easily create a space that anticipates the myriad needs of patients, guests, and healthcare staff.

About Herman Miller Healthcare

Herman Miller Healthcare brings together the comprehensive offerings of Herman Miller, Geiger, and Nemschoff, to help healthcare organizations and their partners create environments for people to work well, get well, and live well. Driven by a deep commitment to research-based, problem-solving design, they collaborate with industry thought leaders and world class designers to inspire, develop, and manufacture innovative furnishings and equipment centered on the needs of the people who work throughout healthcare systems, and the people they serve. With 80 years of combined healthcare industry experience, and a team of clinical and workplace strategists, Herman Miller Healthcare offers a suite of solutions that improve the work and healing experience wherever care is delivered, supported, or administered.

About Nemschoff

Nemschoff, a Herman Miller company, provides innovative furnishings for healthcare and other high-use environments. With equal emphasis on style and performance, Nemschoff solutions combine high-quality materials and construction, thoughtful features, and unparalleled comfort, into a unique form of design that has become the preferred choice for equipping healthcare environments. Founded in 1950, with headquarters in Sheboygan, Wisconsin, Nemschoff believes that people make a difference, things should be built to last, and design can improve the way we work, heal, and live.

About Herman Miller

Herman Miller's inspiring designs, inventive technologies and strategic services help people do great things and organizations perform at their best. The company's award-winning products and services generated approximately \$2.1 billion in revenue in fiscal 2015. A past recipient of the Smithsonian Institution's Cooper Hewitt National Design Award, Herman Miller designs can be found in the permanent collections of museums worldwide. Innovative business practices and a commitment to social responsibility have also helped establish Herman Miller as a recognized global leader. Herman Miller maintains the Human Rights Campaign Foundation's top rating in its annual Corporate Equality Index and was named among the 50 Best U.S. Manufacturers by Industry Week in 2014. Herman Miller is included in the Dow Jones Sustainability World Index and trades on the NASDAQ Global Select Market under the symbol MLHR.

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