

Historic Evolution

For 84 years the Salvation Army Catherine Booth Hospital has been serving patients on the same site but in different ways. The hospital was founded in 1924 as an obstetrics and gynaecology (OB/GYN) hospital on Avenue Walkley. Additions to the building are illustrated in adjacent diagrams. The year 1973 saw the hospital change directions, as it was converted from an OB/GYN hospital to a rehabilitation hospital. The reprogramming of the hospital made renovations necessary to the interior spaces. Most of these renovations were completed by 1978, with the exception of the outdoor garden courtyard which was developed in 1983.

"Generally the spatial patterns of the city, the streets and the public spaces survive far longer than any particular building and the use of an individual building may change several times during the lifetime of the building".

(Erickson, 2001) "The armature and fabric as a model"

