

# DESIGNING STORAGE FOR A CLIENT

## 5 THINGS TO KNOW



## Details.

As an architect, it's often difficult to get quality time with the end users when it comes to designing details, like storage. Although these details are immensely important, they are a small (minute even) piece of the project when designing an entire building. But for the end users, the design of something like their storage room can be hugely important and can change the way they work or even how they feel about their job. It's personal.



# THERE ARE FIVE THINGS TO CONSIDER WHEN PLANNING FOR CLIENT STORAGE NEEDS

*Unless you're looking for a new job, it's a pretty safe bet that you don't have the bandwidth or passion for designing storage solutions, so here are the five things you need to know when designing storage for a client:*

## WORKFLOW

Familiarizing yourself with the employees' daily activities may seem obvious, but it's crucial to designing storage. Make sure to understand how many people access the items and how often those items are pulled from the room.

## SECURITY

From locks on the doors to locks on the cabinets, how fast and how often they access items will determine what kind of security is necessary, if at all.

## ORGANIZATION

In order to avoid going down a rabbit hole, there is a way to simplify all of those details that will make sure the space works for the client. It's as simple as organizing the items into five categories: small, medium, large, fast and slow. The key here is to not over complicate it.

## FLEXIBILITY

Your client's storage will never look better than it does on the first day the building is open. There are few keys in helping them keep it that way.

## SHORT OR TALL

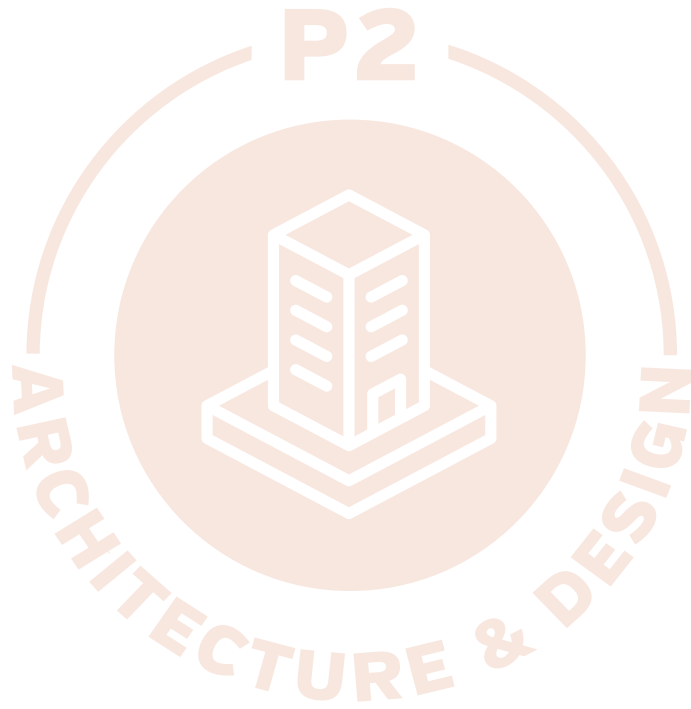
It's a joke that everyone who works in healthcare is under 5' tall, but when it comes to storage it's no joke. Be wary of filling a room with shelving and calling it a day. There's no getting around that maximizing height is the best option if you're dealing with a small storage space.

It's refreshing to work with passionate employees, but that passion sometimes can eat up a lot of time on a project. With these five steps, you can save valuable time but still give the client exactly what they need. Can it really be that simple? Yes, it can. That's the way we like to keep things.

## NEED HELP?

We know you have enough things to think about on your project. Why don't you let us figure out the storage for you? To get started, call us at 866.866.4778.





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