



Good Practice

Care institution

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Project data

Number of beds: 416
Gross floor area: 52.260 m²

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Consultations

For a visitor with a consultation appointment it is important to be able to find one's way easily to the consultations unit in question. The clear structure of the consultations department at the hospital Deventer Ziekenhuis provides wide lines of sight. This gives the visitor an overview of the functions and facilities at the location, and this in turn leads the visitor in a natural manner to the waiting area. The compact layout makes walking distances short. The incidence of daylight (overhead) and the unrestricted lines of sight offer the user contact with the outside. The interior of the hospital environment is then experienced more as a small city with the streets and squares, rather than a building with corridors.

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The diagram shows an outpatients department that is both structured and freely arranged. This comes through the creation of a large, somewhat higher space, with columns that support a roof with daylight openings. Below this roof, the consulting and examination rooms are arranged more or less as boxes in the empty space. In contrast, the casual arrangement of the public areas creates a square with 'sheltered' spaces, and informal, casual surroundings.