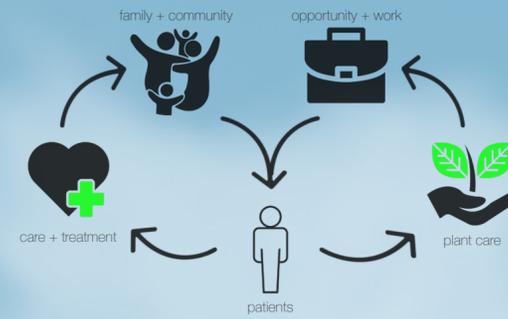
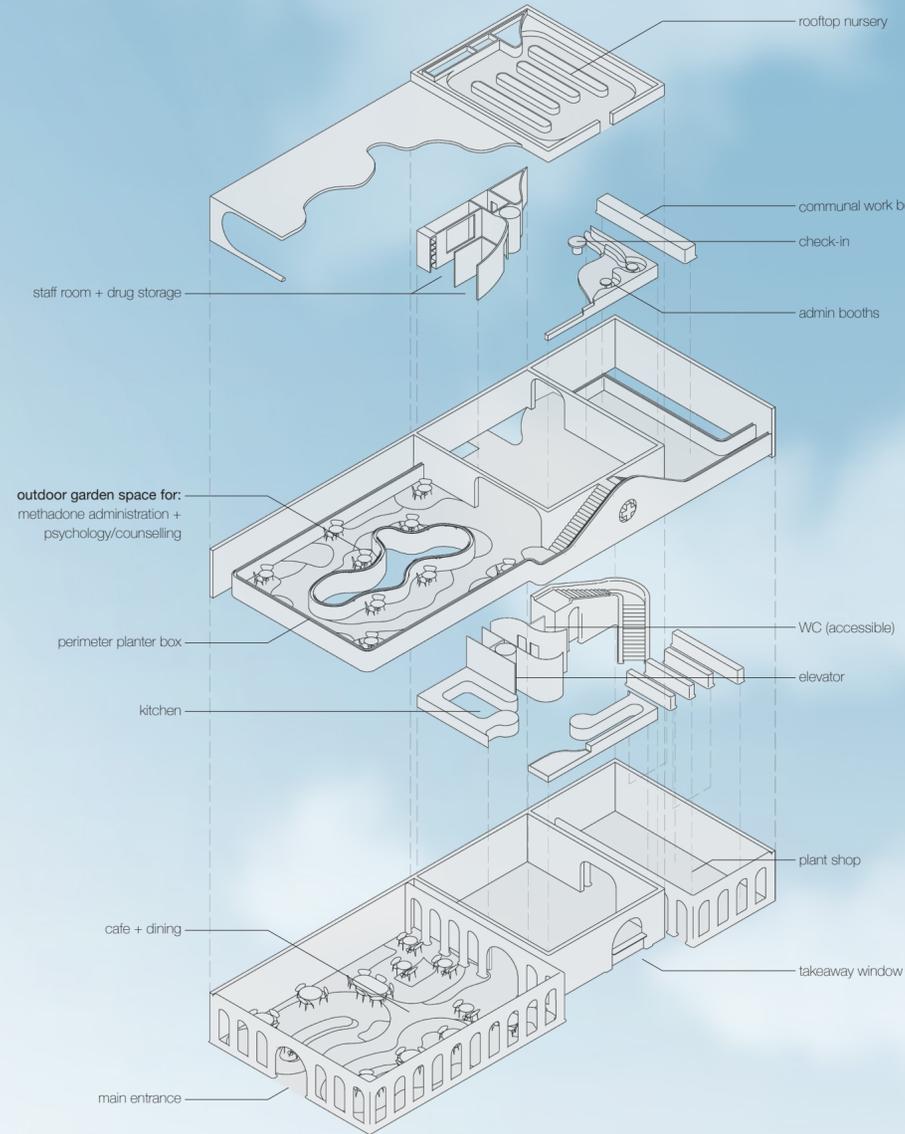


greenhouse clinic +



"the growth of the plants embodies the growth of the patients"



Greenhouse Clinic + reimagines the methadone clinic; primarily seeking to dispel prejudice surrounding opioid use disorder (OUD) and methadone treatment, whilst reconceptualising treatment for patients with OUD. A cafe is incorporated to invite the general public to share the space and become accustomed to OUD through exposure to the clinic and its patients. Vegetation is a central element to the project, with the plants rooted in both the healing process of patients and the tranquil atmosphere. Ideally, the clinic will eventually transform into a community garden continued to be used by reformed patients from the clinic.

When ready, patients are given the responsibility to care for the assorted high-maintenance plants throughout Greenhouse Clinic +. The cultivation of plants within the nursery for food and sale allows patients to take ownership of cafe produce and become involved in its daily operations. This, alongside the daily interactions with regular clients and staff, establishes their sense of purpose and place. This social concept is reinforced with the introduction of a plant shop, where patients may sell their plants to the general public. This seeks to reintegrate patients into society in a commercial sense whilst offering a direct interaction with people outside the OUD realm.

In turn, the cafe customers can observe the progress of patients through the produce in their food and the surrounding vegetation that droops from the clinic above. Seeing patients contribute to this space is expected to break the stigma that people with OUD are not contributing to society and normalises their place within the wider community.

The clinic's flowing forms and open-plan layout contribute towards a calming and healing experience as the patients undergo open-air treatment and consultations. Whilst private, a visual and audible connection to the cafe below conditions the patients to feel their treatment can and should be considered commonplace.

