As it stands, the new facility features a state-of-the-art healing environment for patients needing short-term acute mental health care, including those suffering from major depression, schizophrenia, anxiety. psychotic and mood disorders, and substance dependence. It also includes a secure rooftop garden for patient gardening.

Ian says that Ellis-Don is proud of projects like that one, due to the public good that will come from it.

The client on the project was Vancouver Coastal Health. In a press release announcing the substantial completion of the project,

their president and CEO Mary Ackenhusen said that the new facility will ensure that psychiatric and substance-use clients will "truly receive the best care."

"We know that natural light, well-designed
rooms and common areas can make a tangible
difference in the recovery
of patients, allowing them
to return to the community and their normal lives
more quickly," she said.
"We look forward to the
improved access and
outcomes this building
will provide."









