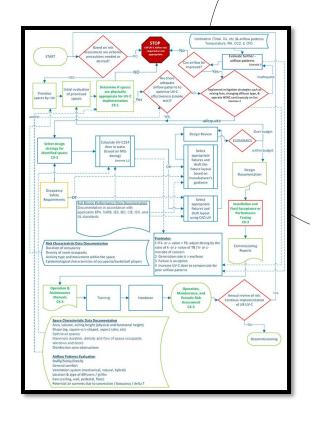


Applying the Commissioning **Process Embedded in the ASHRAE GPC 37** Guideline.







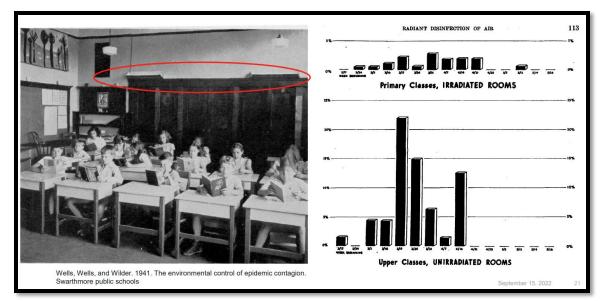
# **THE Upper Air Opening Slide**

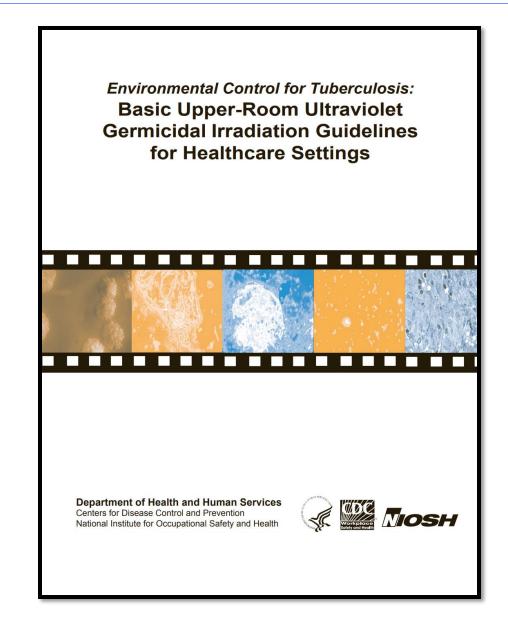


It was used back in the 1930s and '40s to reduce the spread of measles in...

NIOSH established guidelines for controlling Tuberculosis...

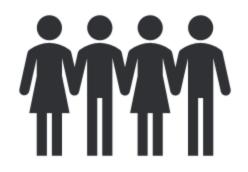
Upper room GUV is the most tried, tested, and proven method for air disinfection...





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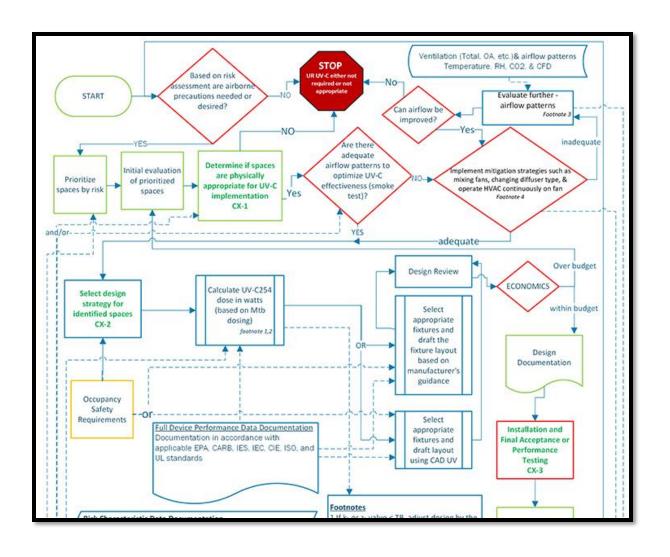
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# WHAT DID WE DO?



## We Followed the Flow Chart

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# Streamline Guidance – Commissioning Flowchart

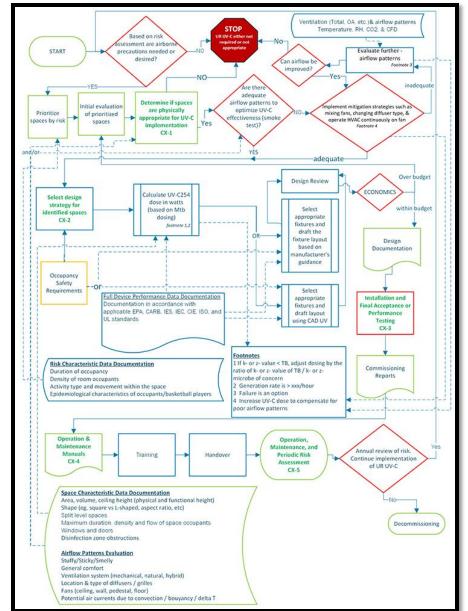
The proposed commissioning design flowchart (see Figure 1, Draft November 2022) maps the entire commissioning process from needs assessment to implementation to build the project brief.

The Commissioning process is embedded in the GPC 37 Guideline (ANSI/ASHRAE/IES 202 and 90.1) which states,

"commissioning is a quality-focused process for enhancing the delivery of a project"

that focuses upon verifying and documenting that a project is

"planned, designed, installed, tested, operated and maintained to meet Requirements."

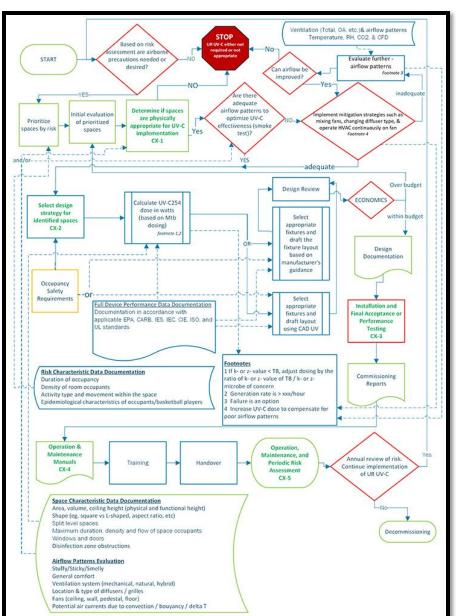


# **Following the Flow Chart**



We used the Commissioning Steps outlined in five project phases:

- 1) Pre-Design
- 2) Design
- 3) Contruction/Installation
- 4) Acceptance/Operations
- 5) Post-Installation





# **PRE-DESIGN**



Austin, TX www.lhc.org

## **About Lake Hills Church Facilities**



A community of 2,500 people of all ages and an average weekly attendance of 1,200 people.

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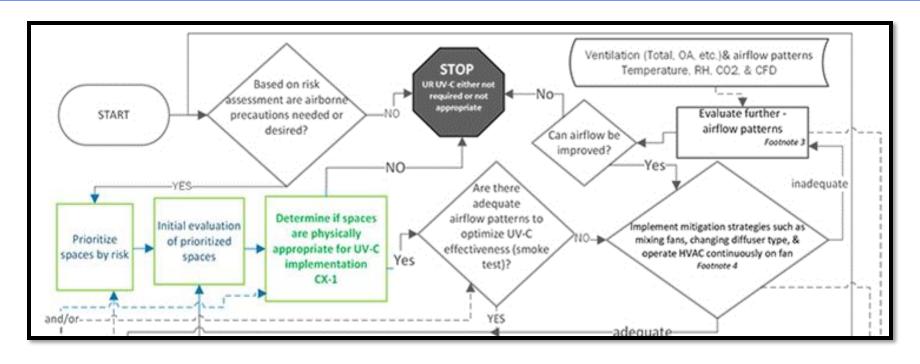






# **Initial Analysis**





We analyzed the building environments with their pastor and facility manager to evaluate the following factors:

Purpose, Size, Ventilation, Ceiling Construction, Layout, Furniture and Fixtures, Existing electrical appliances. All the buildings have modern HVAC with contingencies for drastically increasing airflow in times of dense occupation.

The HVAC is well maintained and managed giving confidence that a meaningful amount of air mixing is occurring as a matter of standard practice.

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## **Risk Assessment & Room Selection**

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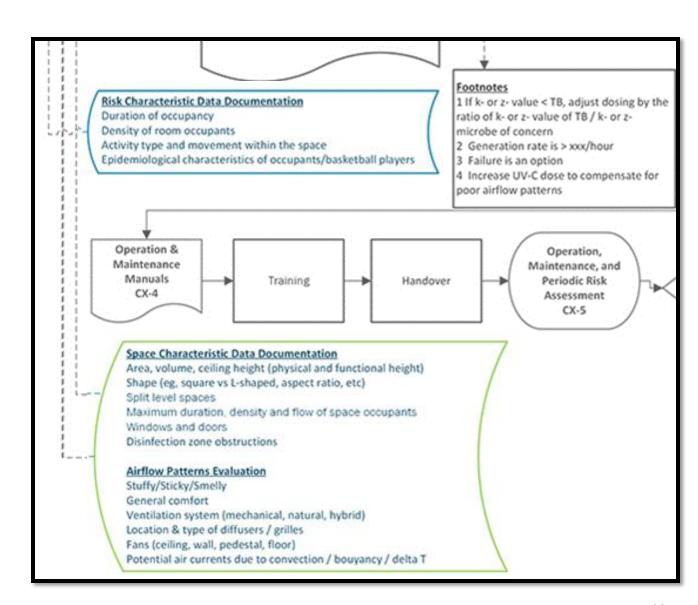


Ruling out large environments that were not regularly populated or had plenty of fresh air ventilation, we identified 5 potential areas for application in the Kids Building and Worship Center based on room usage, characteristics and primary occupants:

- 1: Adult Worship Center
- 2: 3 Nurseries
- 3: Club K12 Room
- 4: 345 Room
- 5: Kids Worship

The budget priority reduced us to 3 areas mitigating risk for the oldest and youngest in the community:

- 1: Adult Worship Center
- 2: 3 Nurseries
- 3: Club K12 Room





## **Area 1: Worship Center**



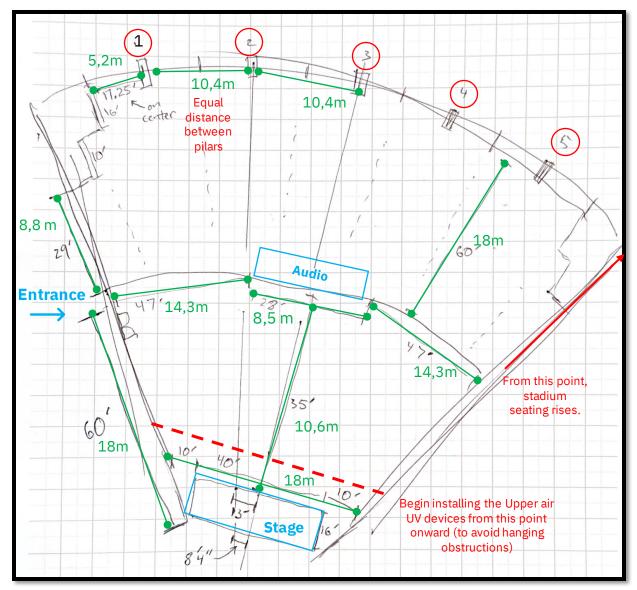




Risk Characteristics	
Duration of Occupancy	1 day a week / 3 hours a week
Density of Room Occupants	1,200 seat capacity
Activity type	Sunday Service (Singing / Talking)
Epidemiological characteristics	General Population
Space Characteristics	
Sizes (+ ceiling heights)	115' x 50'x Height from 11' to 30'
Volume	~185,000 Cubic Feet
Shape	Sector
Windows and Doors	No windows, 2 doors
Any Obstructions	Lighthing fixtures, various audio appliances hanging
Airflow Patterns Evaluation	
Ventilation System	Air Conditioning
Location of Diffusers	(see illustration)
Potential Air Current	8-17 ACH

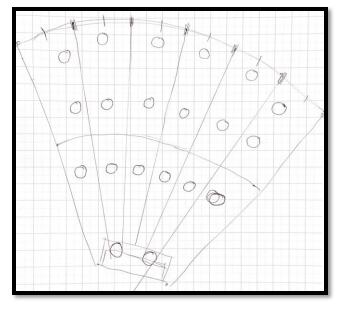


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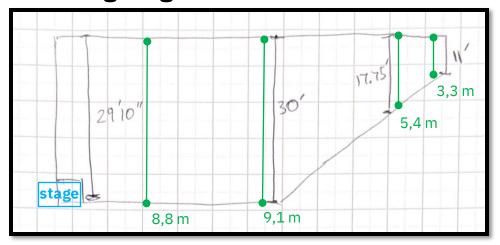


1 = Location of the directors of the ceiling steel structure over which the power runs and where the lights are placed.

#### **Air Vents**



#### **Ceiling Heights**





## **Area 2: Nursery (3 identical rooms)**









Risk Characteristics	
Duration of Occupancy	1 day a week / 5 hours a week
Density of Room Occupants	10 people (2 adults, 8 children)
Activity type	Caring and playing, breast feeding, diaper changing.
Epidemiological characteristics	Newborn to 2-year old children
Space Characteristics	
Sizes (+ ceiling heights)	14.9'÷ 16.8' x 16.8' x 9.7' Height
Volume	~2,500 Cubic Feet
Shape	Rectangular
Windows and Doors	No opening windows, 1 door
Any Obstructions	No, counter ceiling.
Airflow Patterns Evaluation	
Ventilation System	AC
Location of Diffusers	(see draw)
Potential Air Current	8-17 ACH



### Area 3: K12 Room





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Risk Characteristics	
Duration of Occupancy	1 day a week / 3 hours a week
Density of Room Occupants	Full capacity 100 people
Activity type	Singing / Talking / Play Activities)
Epidemiological characteristics	Children
Space Characteristics	
Sizes (+ ceiling heights)	49' x 45' x 12.6' Height
Volume	~27,800 Cubic Feet
Shape	Square
Windows and Doors	No windows, 2 doors
Any Obstructions	Lighthing fixtures, various audio appliances hanging
Airflow Patterns Evaluation	
Ventilation System	Air Conditioning
Location of Diffusers	(see draw)
Potential Air Current	8-17 ACH



#### **Room Variance:**

Wattage Recommendation: Each device has it's own shape of footprint and a wattage per square foot guidline does not account for rooms of all shapes.

#### **Safety & Effficacy:**

Safety and Efficacy are not linear, they are designed together. And manufacturers guidance can be incomplete.

#### **Accountablility:**

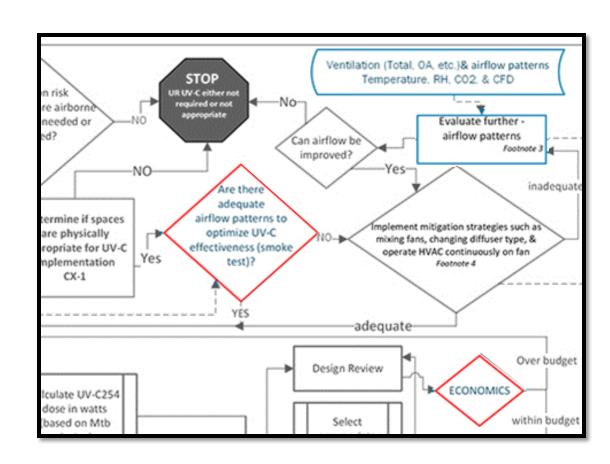
How will installers and manufacturers share responsibility for Safety and Efficacy?

#### **Economics:**

Solution Design, Fixture Selection and Placement, as well as Drafting by Mftr guidance & installer design is a heavy lift before economics are established. Makes for a complex sale.

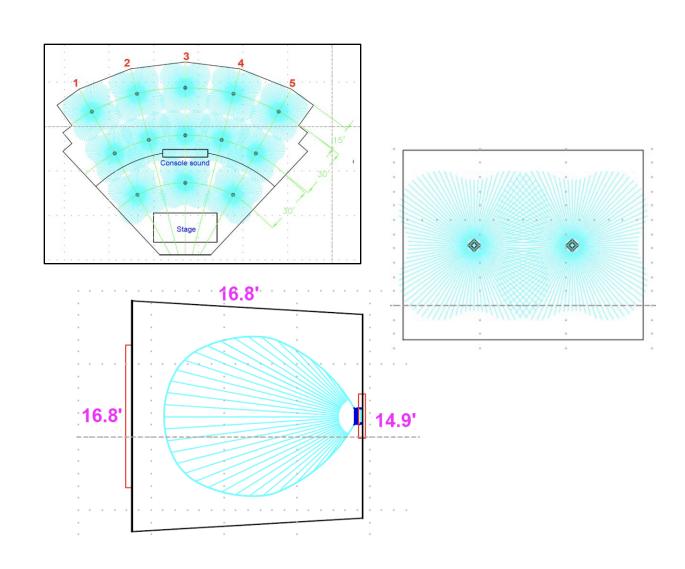
#### Airflow:

How should we consider appropriate assessment off airflow? When and where are smoke tests actually feasible and appropriate?

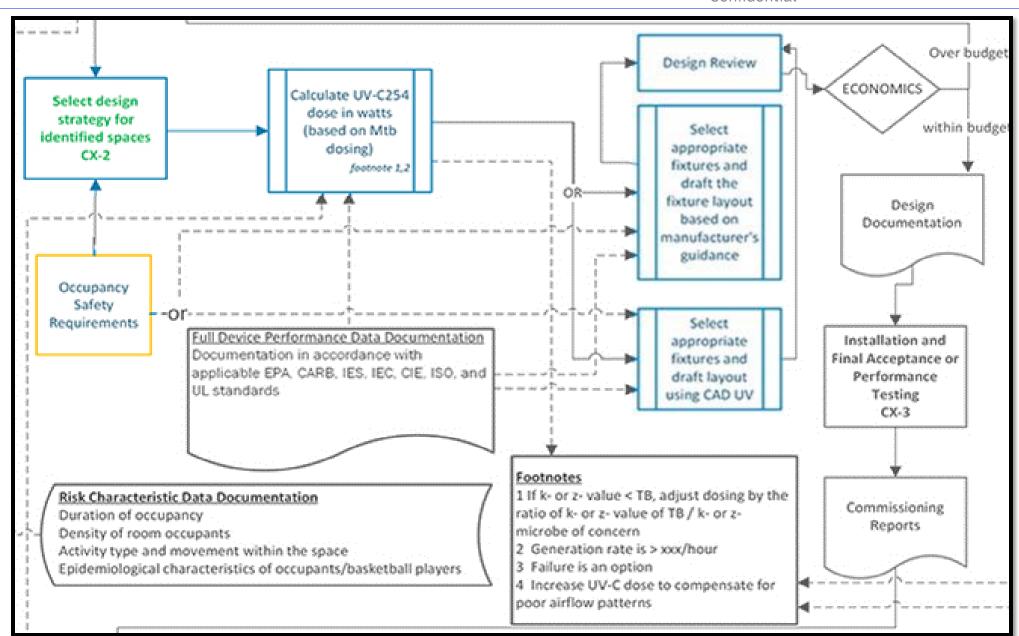




# APPLICATION DESIGN



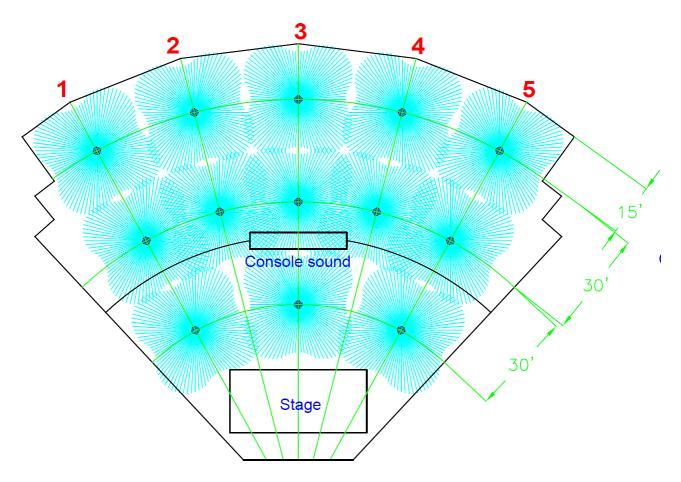


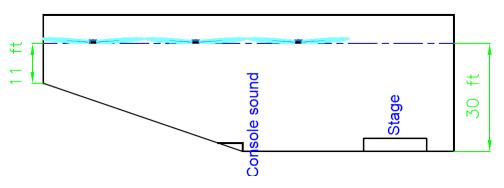




## **Area 1: Worship Center**

13 Devices (UV-FLOW 4/18P-CL)







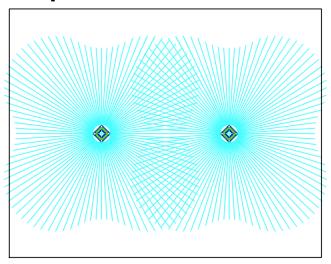


#### Area 3: K12 room

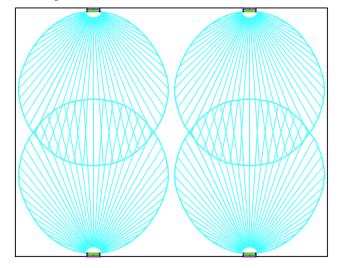
Option 1: 2 Devices (UV-FLOW 4/18P-CL)

Option 2: 4 Devices (UV-FLOW 16-WL)

#### Option 1



#### Option 2









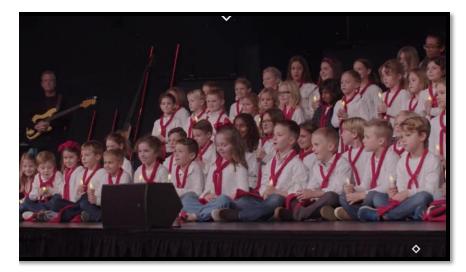
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## Option 1 14'(4,26) 21'(6,40) 14'(4,26) 22.5 (6,85)45'(13,7m) 22.5 (6,85)12.6 (3,8m)(3,5m)49'(14,9m) 49'(14,9m)



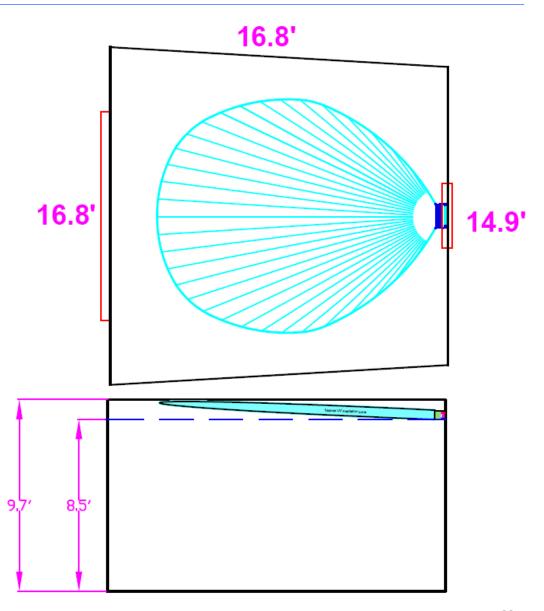




## **Area 2: Nursery (3 identical rooms)**

1 Device (UV-FLOW 8-WL)

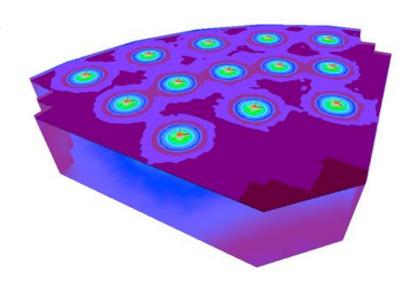


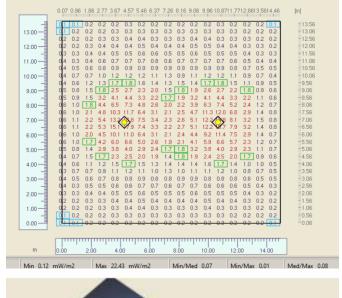


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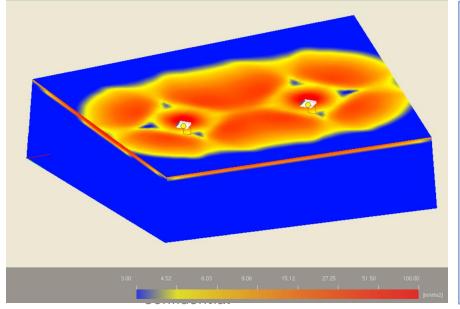


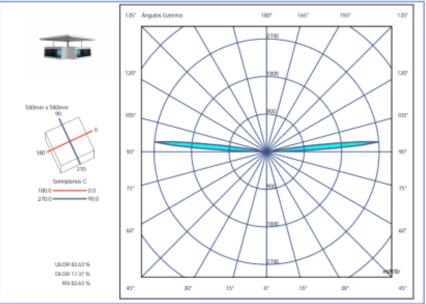
Beyond producing CAD Drawings, we modelled/calculated dosage and product performance using goniospectrophotometry (i.e., IES files) to select the products and placement.

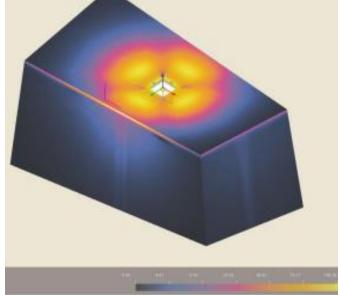




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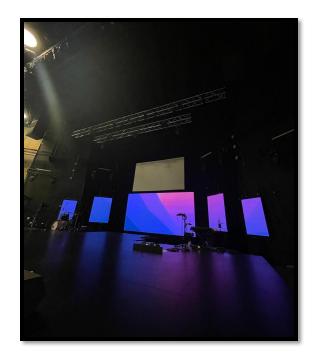


### **Area 1: Worship Center**

Too visually disruptive when people are inside the dark.

Ceiling is not easily accessible for maintenance.

Alternative viable solution to add GUV to the HVAC system serving the Worship Center









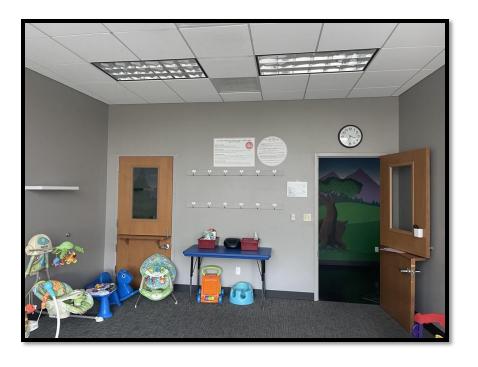
## Final Area Selection:

1: Adult Worship Center

2: 3 Nurseries

3: Club K12 Room





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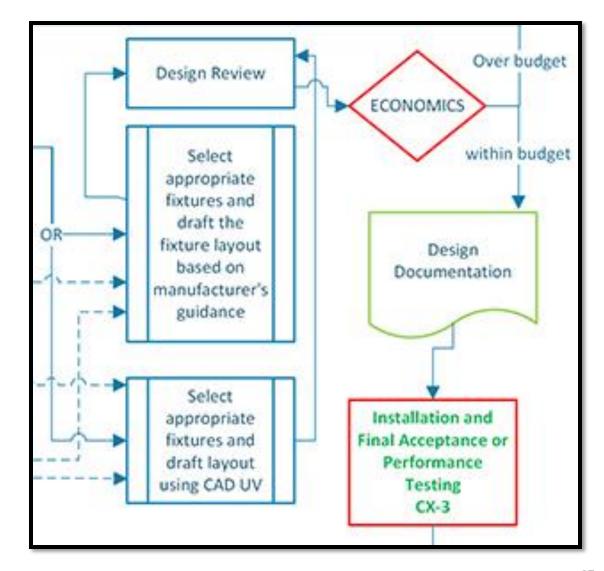
## **Learnings:**

From Design to Installation there is also consideration for a variety of customer-centric issues:

Usability and Maintenance.

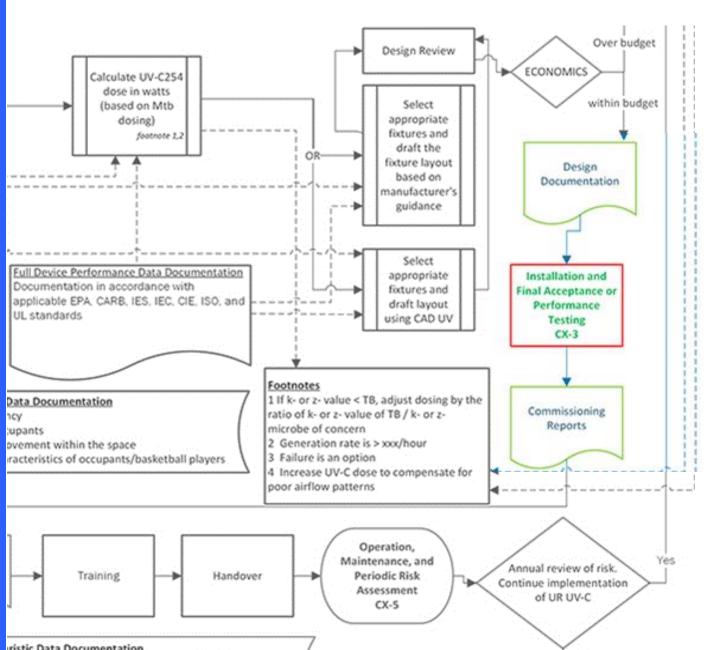
Integration with other behaviors, practices, or protocols.

Aesthetic considerations.





## INSTALLATION



## Installation



## **Learnings:**

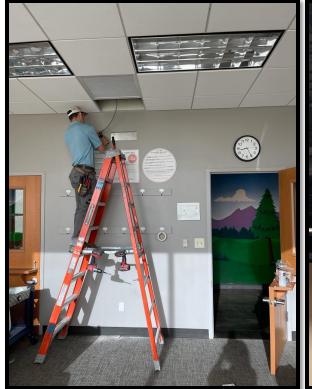
Teach the building to GUV Experts OR teach GUV to the building experts.

Installer training on safety & intended use of the devices. Read the manual!

Share precise installation instructions.

Provide project intent, design constraints, and exact desired positioning.

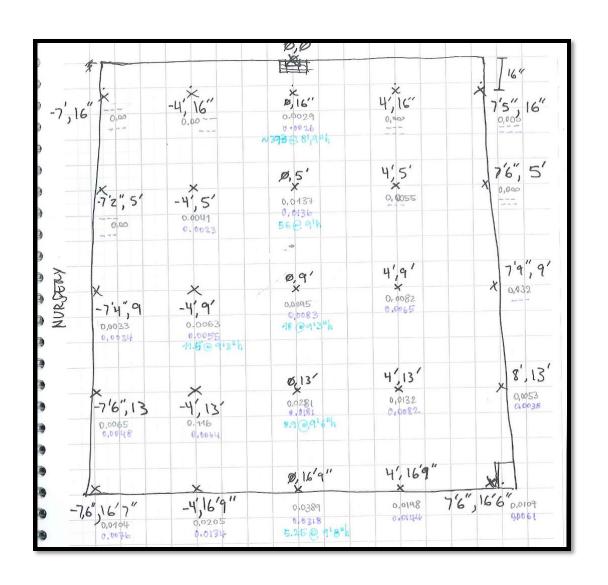
Hope you don't discover physical realities change the economics.







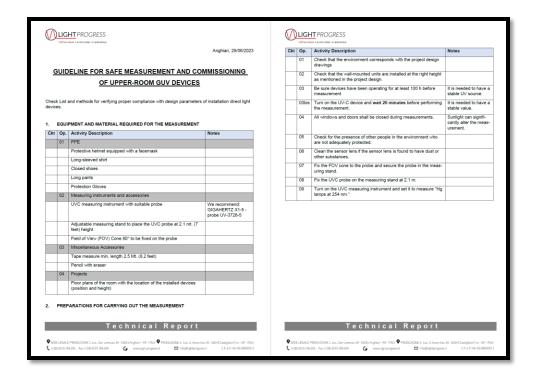
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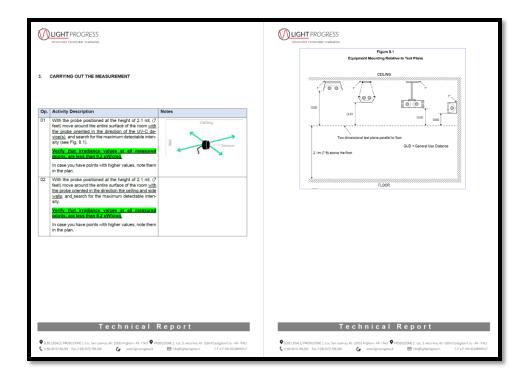


# **Performance Testing**



## Clearly documented testing methodologies:





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## **Components of Testing:**

**Room Mapping** 

Sensor Selection

**UL Standards** 

Photobiological safety testing is done as part of the UL1598 certification and in compliance with UL 8802 (proposed) test standard. It verifies an installation height and angle at which the luminaire falls into various risk groups.

To ensure that UVC sources used in UR UV- $C_{254}$  luminaires do not generate ozone, all UR UV- $C_{254}$  designs shall be tested in compliance with UL standard UL 2998 to show zero ozone generation.





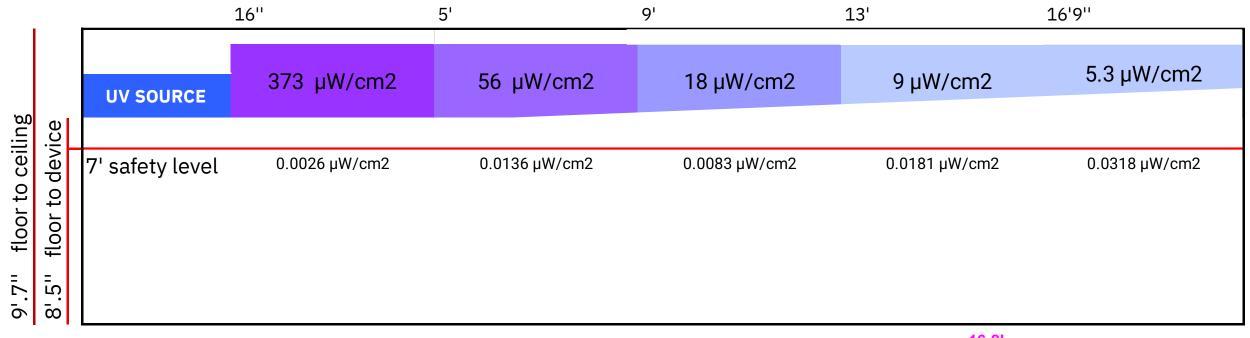


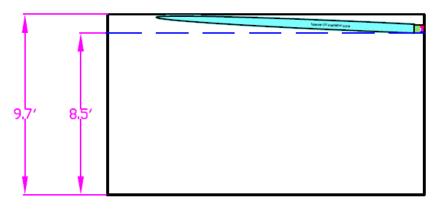


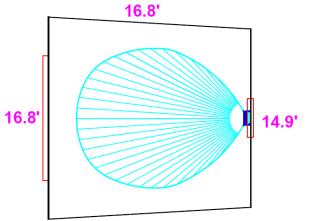
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## **Intended disinfection is being delivered:**







# **Performance Testing**

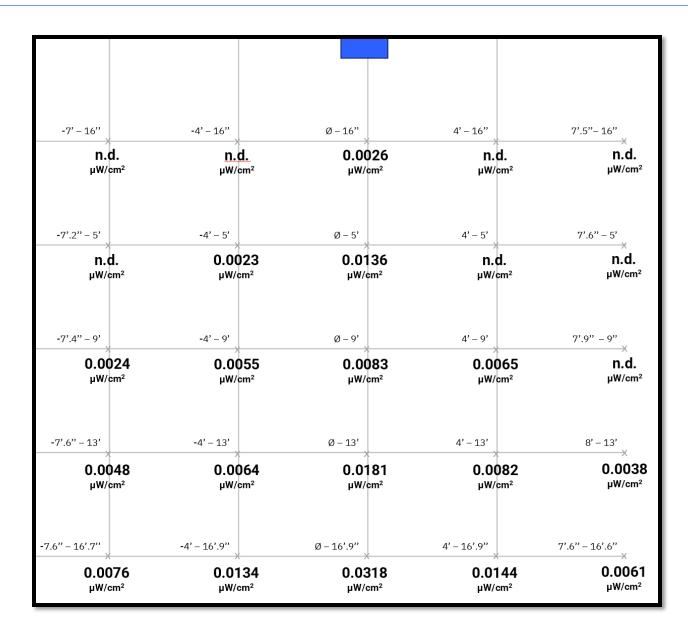


## **Safety:**

Grid of measured values at 7 feet from the ground.

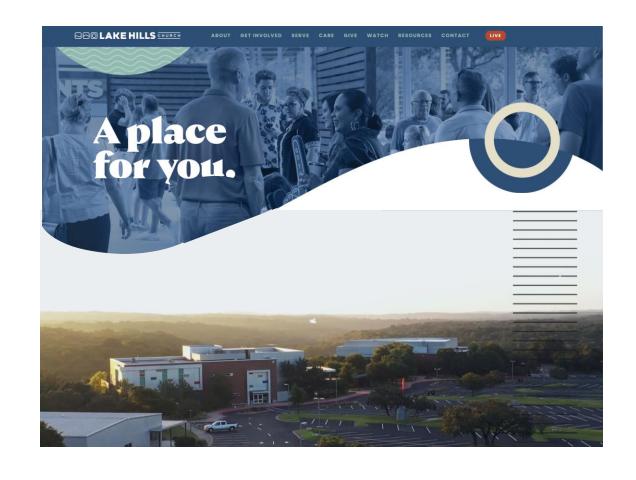
Accepted Threshold Limit Value established by ACGIH is 6,000 microjoules per 8 hours for eye exposure and 10,000 microjoules per 8 hours for skin exposure.

Eye Exposure Limit Maths = .2 microwatt/cm<sup>2</sup>





# **POST-INSTALLATION**



## Handover



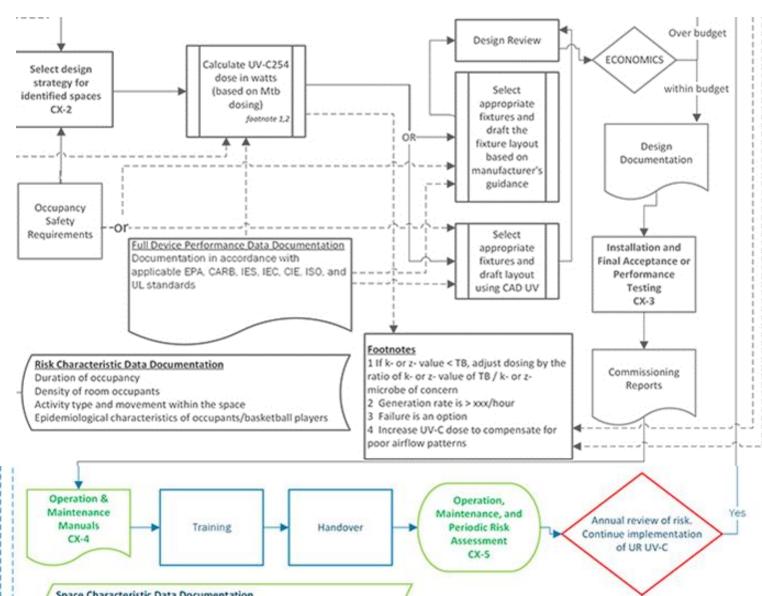
## APPENDIX A — FIELD PROBLEMS NOTED IN SOME UVGI SYSTEMS

The CDC/NIOSH Health Hazard Evaluation (HHE) and Technical Assistance Program receives about 400 requests a year to conduct field investigations of potential health hazards. These requests are made by employers, workers, worker representatives, other Federal agencies, and State, foreign, and local agencies. From 1987 through 2000, the program received 14 TB-related requests for technical assistance that involved evaluations of UVGI systems [Boudreau et al. 1995; Buchta et al. 1993; Burton 1995; Burton and Martinez 1997; Decker 1993; Martinez 1995a, 1995b, 1999; Moss and Setiz 1990, 1991; Murray 1987; Seitz 1992; Seitz et al. 2000; Tubbs and Bresler 1992; Weber and Boudreau 2000]. These requests came from a variety of workplaces including hospitals (e.g., emergency rooms, waiting areas, and microbiology laboratories), neighborhood health centers, TB clinics, drug treatment centers, correctional facilities, a medical examiner's office, and a homeless shelter. A review of these requests for assistance indicates the following installation or maintenance problems were noted in at least one of the facilities during the investigations:

- Lack of preventive maintenance plans, resulting in numerous reports of dirty and/or old lamps that produced minimal UVGI levels.
- No wall switches to turn off UVGI lamps or fixtures during maintenance operations.
- UV fixture louvers bent or missing, allowing workers to look directly at the lamps.
- No warning labels on UVGI lamps or fixtures to warn of hazards from direct eye contact
- No worker training on the potential hazards of UVGI.
- No lockout mechanisms or automatic shut-off mechanisms to rooms where the upperroom UVGI system was designed to be deactivated when people were present in the rooms.
- Polished metal and reflective paint surfaces that indirectly increased the UVGI level in the occupied space.
- No warning signs in areas with high UVGI levels.
- Improper planning and installation of fixtures.

Basic Upper-Room Ultraviolet Germicidal Irradiation Guidelines for Healthcare Settings





## Handover



## **Operation, Maintenance, and Training:**

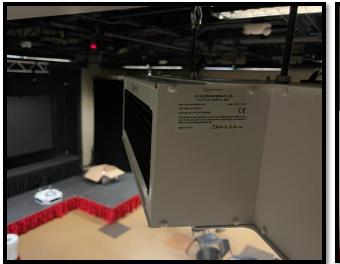
Dedicated Light Switches

Device and Light Switch Labels

Clear Safety Labels and Instructions

**User Education** 

Maintenance Plan for Effective Operation and Identification of Intended Performance



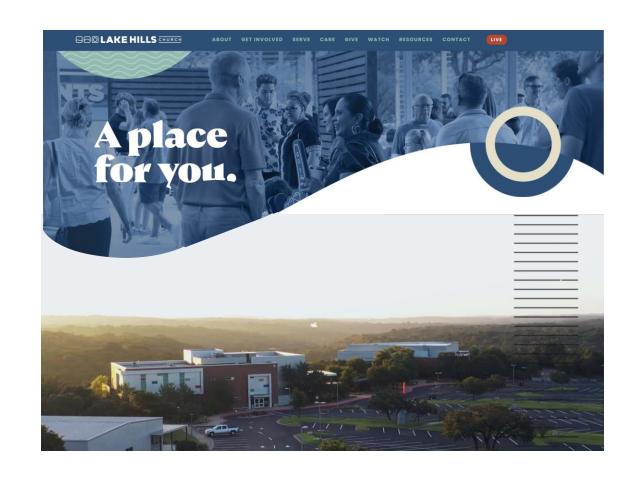








# CONCLUSION & REFLECTIONS





This is a helpful execution document but practice highlights the opportunity for further guidance that support's the customer's decision making process.

Who else will say, "When 'X', you should install Upper Air GUV to 'Y', for all of the 'Z' benefits."

The decision making process is not as linear as we might like it to be.

There is opportunity to encourage the alignment and cooperation of stakeholders in the process: manufacturer, re-seller, installer, buyer, users, etc.



THE PACIFIC NORTHWEST NATIONAL LABORATORY STUDY ON UPPER AIR GUV FOR THE U.S. DEPARTMENT **OF ENERGY** 

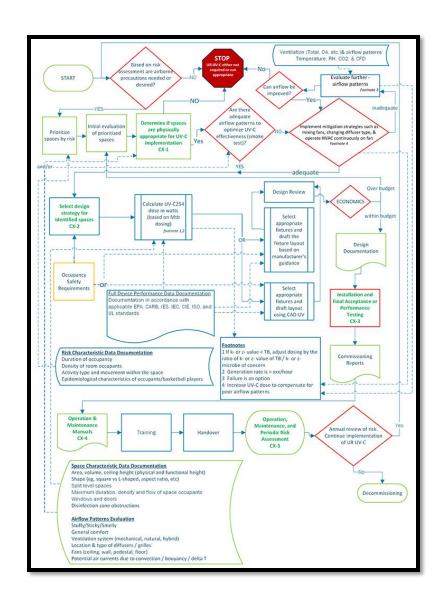








# **QUESTIONS?**





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