



## **Design for Health Collaborative**

At A.G. Rhodes, we believe thoughtful design can improve lives. That's why we've partnered with Georgia Tech's SimTigrate Design Center to create the Design for Health Collaborative, which will bring together students, researchers, residents, and staff to explore how environments can support health, wellness, and connection for older adults.



## The SimTigrate Design Center SimTigrate = Simulation + Integration

The SimTigrate Design Center is an inter-disciplinary research center at the Georgia Tech College of Design that promotes health through rigorous design research and innovation. Through this collaboration, undergraduate, master's, and Ph.D. students from Georgia Tech's College of Design will:

- Gain real-world learning opportunities by applying design principles in aging services
- Engage with residents and staff through co-design and participatory design projects
- Evaluate the role of Horticultural Therapy and garden design in improving well-being, memory, and community for older adults
- Explore innovative ways to enhance quality of life for older adults and improve staff experiences

## **Our Commitment**

A.G. Rhodes is one of Atlanta's oldest nonprofit organizations with over 120 years of experience providing exceptional care for our community's elders. The SimTigrate Design Center was established in 2012 to create an interdisciplinary hub that brings together faculty and students across disciplines to develop and apply innovative tools to support better design decisions in healthcare environments. Together, we are committed to creating healing environments that support body, mind, and spirit. By collaborating with Georgia Tech's leaders in evidence-based design, we're shaping the future of aging services.