

The Importance of Infection Control in Healthcare

Front line healthcare workers have been working tirelessly to battle infectious diseases such as Covid-19. According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, one out of every 20 hospitalized patients will contract a healthcare-associated infection. The spread of these infections, however, can be controlled.



Infection prevention and control is an essential part of quality patient care. Healthcare workers can take steps to prevent the spread of infectious diseases such as the use of personal protective equipment (e.g., gloves, masks, gowns) and frequent hand washing. Additionally, technology can also aid to slow the rate of transmission. Austco has designed its Nurse Call solutions to help with infection control in Healthcare facilities. From dip-sterilizable call pendants to spray and wipe clean callpoints with anti-bacterial additives, Austco can help with infection prevention and control in healthcare settings.

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Austco Launches New Smart Callpoints

We are excited to announce the launch of Austco's brand new Smart Call Point which includes a completely new design, an additional configurable function button, a second pendant socket and built-in RTLS.

The Smart Call Point offers two premium options: RTLS enabled or RFID enabled. If the built-in RTLS feature is required, either the RTLS or RFID module can be added to the Smart Call Point at any time.

Built-in RTLS uses existing nurse call infrastructure to add real time locating features, such as mobile duress calls, automatic presence and call cancellation. It provides robust reporting of staff and patient/resident location history, response times, and time spent in-room.

The Smart Call Point is also available without buttons for common areas or long hallways where physical buttons and pendant sockets are not required.

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Smart Callpoint Cut Sheet

Austco SMART CALLPOINT
IP-SMRTCP/2P (Recessed Only)

- Supports built-in RTLS feature
- 2 programmable backlit buttons for night viewing
- 2 programmable buttons for spray and wipe clean
- Push back LEDs to indicate status
- Optional safety cover for buttons

Smart Callpoint
This sleek design offers two configurable built-in buttons which provide a positive tactile response when pressed. This makes it ideal for patients/residents with restricted or limited movement.

Advanced features include backlit buttons for night viewing to assist patients, emergency call and tone activation for verbally or visually impaired patients, and calltime meter for timing. The light on the buttons lights up when staff presence is detected. The callpoint has two pendant sockets and a pendant or back button. Call time can be easily configured to enable automatic call processor which automatically cancels the active alarm.

Smart callpoints are designed with non-chargable inserts. The inserts enable a facility to reuse and replace the current call button instead of needing to replace the entire callpoint. For example, if a facility has a call point installed in a room and now wanted that callpoint to be an emergency callpoint, they simply swap out the insert and reconfigure to alert as an emergency call in the system when pressed. With this added flexibility and low maintenance features, the facility can determine which alerts need to be where, long after the initial installation. This helps to drive workflow efficiencies throughout their healthcare organization.

Built-in RTLS
Smart callpoints offer two wireless options: RTLS (Bluetooth) module, or RFID module. If the built-in RTLS feature is required, either the RTLS or RFID module must be added to the callpoint. Smart callpoints can be used with either a wireless module. An optional safety cover is also available to cover the buttons if required.

There is an IP-SMRTCP callpoint buttonless option for common areas or hallways in long hallways which supports call processor centers where physical button-function are not required.

Lower "Whole-of-Life" Costs
Smart callpoints use the same hardware and software functionalities. Each functionality is connected to using standard IP/UCS cable that also provides Patient Presence Over IP (PPO).

Each callpoint is a single address and is supplied already configured for immediate use. Once connected, the callpoint is quickly and easily configured to meet using a browser, which simplifies the installation process and reduces the cost of installation and maintenance.

NEW PRODUCT



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Small Callpoint Inserts Cut Sheet

Austco SMALL CALLPOINT INSERTS
AM-SMRTCP-XX (Recessed Only)

- Small changeable inserts available in 6 options for easy install for identification
- Push and backlit buttons for use with Austco Smart callpoints
- Durable and washable

Smart Callpoint Inserts
Austco's Small Callpoint Insert is designed for use with Smart callpoints and are easy to install and use. Smart callpoints are designed such that when the button is pressed, it provides a positive tactile response.

The smart callpoint design enables a facility to reuse and replace the current call button instead of needing to replace the entire callpoint. For example, if a facility has a Smart callpoint installed in a room and now wanted that callpoint to be an emergency callpoint, they simply swap out the Smart callpoint insert for an Emergency Call Insert and reconfigure to alert as an emergency call in the system when pressed. With this added flexibility and low maintenance features, the facility can quickly and easily determine which alerts need to be where, long after the initial installation. This helps to drive workflow efficiencies throughout the healthcare organization for the best patient care.

Improved Infection Control
The insert buttons are manufactured with an anti-bacterial additive and also are easy to wipe clean for improved infection control.

SPECIFICATIONS

Model:	AM-SMRTCP-XX
Complete:	1 x 180, 1 x 240, 1 x 300

ORDERING INFORMATION

Call Point Code	Description	Product Code	Shipping
AM-SMRTCP-2P	Smart Callpoint Insert - Patient call, back button	AM-SMRTCP-2P	Small Callpoint Insert - Code Blue, Red
AM-SMRTCP-2M	Smart Callpoint Insert - Staff alert, back button	AM-SMRTCP-2M	Smart Callpoint Insert - Emergency, Blue, Green
AM-SMRTCP-2C	Smart Callpoint Insert - Staff alert, back button	AM-SMRTCP-2C	Smart Callpoint Insert - Patient and PPO Code Storage

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Confirmation of order from Thames Hospice for Alexa Integration

Thames hospice
www.thameshospice.org.uk

As mentioned in our previous news bulletin, Austco UK was working with Thames Hospice to confirm exact specifications, testing and implementation of voice control for the Tacera system in various bedrooms within the facility. Austco has now received confirmation of the order from Thames Hospice to integrate Tacera with Alexa. We look forward to working with the client on this new and innovative project.



New Austco UK Plates

The new Austco Logo'd UK plates have been shipped out to our first customer for installation in the coming weeks. For many years, we have been installing Austco products in Healthcare facilities within the UK and felt a need for more prominent brand identity. We want users to identify and recognise Austco solutions which are manufactured with precision and care, separating us from the



Happy 10 Year Partnership Alear Colombia!

We are pleased to wish our well-respected partner in Latin America, Alear Colombia, a Happy 10 year partnership!

“We thank Austco for the immense trust it has placed on our company. It’s been a joint effort working day by day to establish Austco’s Hospital Communication Systems as the premier provider in our environment.” says Eng. Cristhian Susa, General Manager of Alear Colombia.



Austco’s continued success is heavily attributed to the confidence and dedication of our valued partners. We would like to extend our sincere thanks to Alear Colombia and look forward to a strong, ongoing partnership!



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