

Hospitals: floors and walls guide

Transforming spaces in hospitals

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## **Creating hospitals for all**

We know that visiting unfamiliar hospital environments may cause anxiety and stress so we have designed a full package of floors and walls to create a welcoming, easy to clean, colourful, hygienic and safe environment. We work with you every step of the way, from specification to after-care, providing you with industry-leading support and expertise.

Hospital environments are created to heal, yet supporting both physical and mental health needs in clinical environments can be challenging.

We can work with you to select the best floor and wall surfaces for even the most complex requirements. We offer solutions that support the needs of patients, staff and visitors, whether it is comfort underfoot, noise reduction, or wayfinding and navigation.

Using biophilic design — the strategy of bringing nature into the environment — can help create a sense of calm and wellbeing.

Our floors and walls have a wide range of colour options, and wood-look designs, that can be used to create a biophilic environment to help promote recovery.

Altro Whiterock walls, combined with Altro safety, luxury vinyl tile (LVT) or Altro smooth floors, create an impervious and easy to clean system that meets the hygienic requirements of even the most critical care areas—yet they also provide an extensive colour palette to make a welcoming and aesthetically pleasing environment.

Altro products have industry-leading guarantees, so you know your installation will last. Altro PVC products are 100% recyclable pre-installation and any PVC off-cuts, post installation, can be recycled. Altro adhesive-free floors are 100% recyclable pre and post-installation.

For specialist areas such as mental health facilities, we can provide bespoke options to create a safe and hygienic environment for all.





## **Maintaining hygiene**

Altro walls combined with Altro safety or Altro smooth floors, create an impervious and easy to clean system that meets the hygienic requirements of even the most critical care environments. Altro walls and door protection can be cleaned by wiping, steam cleaning or power washing – it's as simple as that. No grout to trap dirt, and impact-resistant, so none of the issues associated with cracked tiles or damaged paint.

Altro resilient floors feature Altro Easyclean technology to make cleaning regimes easier. It gives them additional scratch and abrasion resistance, helping maintain their look. With safety floors, preventing damage to the floor helps ensure they can perform, preventing slips. Altro Whiterock is the only globally Hazard Analysis and Critical Control Points (HACCP) certified PVCu wall sheet, and our walls and floors system is one of the few worldwide to achieve the certification. This means they are approved and can be trusted for use in food preparation areas.

Choosing Altro vinyl flooring and hygienic wall cladding reduces cleaning and maintenance time over alternatives such as tiles, paintwork and carpet tiles. Altro Suprema, developed hand-in-hand with the Association of Healthcare Cleaning Professionals (AHCP) has superior stain, abrasion and scratch resistance and is iodine / betadine resistant.

As well as reliable, robust solutions, you have our support before, during and after installation for any technical queries through a dedicated Technical Services team.





### Working with you

A well thought out design can make all the difference. We work in partnership with you to help identify your needs and deliver solutions. We provide expertise to address the complex requirements of hospitals now and in the future.

#### Design freedom

Altro's extensive range of floors and walls transforms hospitals to promote wellbeing. With innovative adhesive-free, comfort and acoustic floors and natural wood designs, you can mix and match with our wall shades and wall protection sheets to meet the aesthetic and practical needs of each room.

#### Bespoke options for walls

Artwork can be used as a tool to bring biophilic principles into the space, and can create landmarks and features to help with navigation. Using images from local areas such as parks and woods to visualise familiar scenes can help create a sense of calm. Altro Whiterock Digiclad (Custom) enables you to create a bespoke design on the Altro Whiterock wall sheet or choose from our standard image collection. This could include a logo, lettering or artwork to support wayfinding.



#### Did you know?

Altro invented safety flooring in 1949, adhesive-free flooring in 2009 and celebrated 100 years of providing innovative solutions in 2019.



#### Altro experience

We have decades of experience working with hospitals to create welcoming environments with the highest levels of safety and hygiene. We invented safety floors and hygienic wall sheets, and continue to innovate to meet the needs of customers.

#### Altro for infection control

Altro floors, walls and doors are easy to clean and maintain, helping to prevent healthcare associated infections (HCAIs) and cross-infection. Not only can they be used to create a healing atmosphere; with correct cleaning regimes and standards they can also help reduce the spread of infection. They are ideal for areas where hygiene is paramount, such as intensive care units (ICUs) and operating theatres.

#### Altro for safety

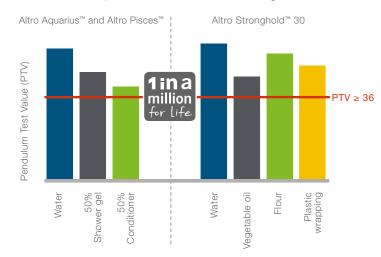
For areas with a high potential of spills from water, such as laundries and changing rooms, our safety floors are PTV ≥36, reducing the chance of a slip to one in a million for the lifetime of the floor.

Our specialist floors for areas such as kitchens (PTV ≥55, R12) and wet rooms and bathrooms (PTV ≥50 (slider 96), R11) provide enhanced safety with common contaminants found in these areas.

All Altro walls have excellent fire rating and up to date fire certification. We also have specialist solutions providing safe, secure and anti-ligature environments.



HSE minimum standard of PTV ≥ 36 for Altro Aquarius, Altro Pisces and Altro Stronghold 30





Altro Stronghold 30 (PTV ≥55, R12) for kitchens

Healthcare associated infections are estimated to cost the NHS approximately

# £2.7 billion a year\*

\*British Medical Journal.



Specialist safety floors for wet rooms and bathrooms



A unique, impervious system for hospital hygiene



"We chose Altro's range of products because of their suitability for clinical environments in terms of safety and hygiene. They also offer a great range of colours, tones and textures, which gives us the flexibility to create an appealing, modern, design-led environment."

Ben Jugoo, GDM Architects

Altro Stronghold™ 3

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## Altro solutions for hospitals



1. Administration	
<b>Altro Operetta</b> ™ Baroque	LRV 22
Altro Whiterock Satins™ Flint	LRV 32
2. Reception	
Altro Operetta Baroque	LRV 22
Altro Whiterock Satins Clarity	LRV 64
3. Waiting area	
Altro Operetta Flaxen Oak	LRV 38
Altro Whiterock Digiclad (Custom)	
4. Children's waiting area	
Altro Orchestra™ Jazz	LRV 15
Altro Whiterock Digiclad (Custom)	
5. WC	
Altro Aquarius Cygnet	I RV 46
Altro Whiterock White.	
6. Consulation rooms	1 DV 600
Altro Operetta Flaxen Oak	LRV 38
7. Private ward	
Altro Orchestra Straw Oak	
Altro Whiterock Satins Bergamot	LRV 26
8. Private ward	
Altro Orchestra Straw Oak	LRV 38
Altro Whiterock Satins Vibrance	LRV 22
9. Private ward	
Altro Orchestra Straw Oak	LRV 38
Altro Whiterock Satins Glow	LRV 50
10. General ward	
Altro Suprema Ornella	I RV 49
Altro Whiterock Digiclad (Custom)	2.17
11 Chaff root area	
11. Staff rest area Altro Cantata™ Champagne Oak	I B\/ 38
Altro Whiterock Satins Ice	
12. Wet room	LD\/ 46
Altro Whiterook Setins Clarity	
Altro Whiterock Satins Clarity	Ln V 04
13. Corridor	
Altro Operetta Flaxen Oak	LRV 38

Altro Whiterock Satins (wayfinding)















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#### **Samples**

If colour choice is critical, please request a sample of the material

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