

Aperio® delivers cost-effective access control to critical medical infrastructure

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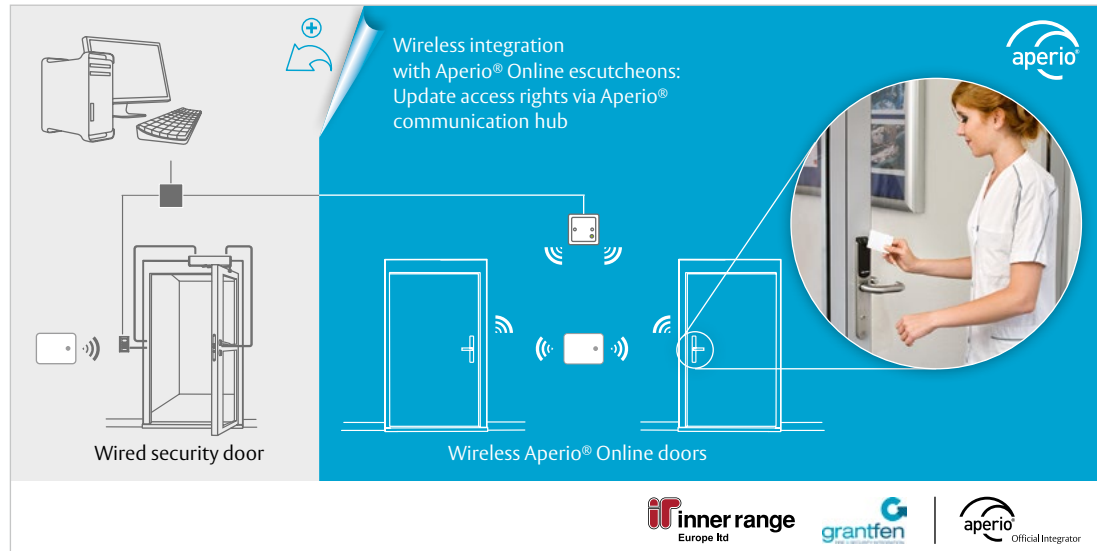


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General Manager, Grantfen



Company

Company: Aintree University Hospital
(aintreehospital.nhs.uk)

Segment: Healthcare

Location: Liverpool, England

Aperio® partners: Grantfen (grantfen.com) &
Inner Range (innerrange.com)

Aperio® devices installed:

approx. 200 E100 Online escutcheons

Year of installation: 2013-2016

Challenge

Aintree University Hospital is a major teaching hospital and health provider in North Merseyside, providing acute medical care to around 330,000 local residents. As part of a £35 million refurbishment of A&E and other urgent care services, the hospital trust sought an upgrade to its access control system.

Key requirements included:

- Flexible, scalable access control to streamline day-to-day operations, extending public access while also maintaining restrictions to sensitive areas, including those with confidential information, medicines and valuable equipment

- A wire-free system so installation could be done quickly and efficiently, without disrupting the day-to-day work of the hospital
- Access control technology with a proven track record in the healthcare sector
- User-friendly integration between hardware provided by multiple access control suppliers
- A solution that could be installed cost-effectively, which is crucial for a public sector funded project in an era of tight budget constraints

Solution

ASSA ABLOY partnered with Grantfen and Inner Range to deliver a unified platform, which extended the responsive Integriti access control system with ASSA ABLOY's Aperio® battery-powered escutcheons. Because Aperio® is built on open architecture, integration is seamless.

"Aperio® offered a straightforward alternative to a complicated wired solution, without any need to modify the doors," says Sue McIntyre, Grantfen's General Manager. *"A particularly useful feature for installing the system quickly and efficiently, without disrupting operations within the live building."*

Aperio® locks are wireless, so there was no need for complex, expensive electrical work

during the installation stage. Aperio® saves the hospital money when operational. Wired locks are powered by an always-on mains electricity supply. Aperio® locks, on the other hand, only 'wake up' when activated by a user credential. Because Aperio® components are powered by standard batteries, maintenance is easy (a simple battery replacement after 2 years). And because Aperio® is fully scalable, it's easy to bring even more wireless locks into the hospital's existing access system as the hospital's refurbishment continues.

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