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VECTRUS COVID-19 PROTECTION WITH VITATOUCH® SANITIZING DOOR HANDLES

Vectrus sanitizing door handles, by VitaTouch®, provide improved hand hygiene compliance to reduce germ and disease (COVID-19) transfer. Get a handle on good health®.



VECTRUS HAND HYGIENE SOLUTION

As part of Vectrus' Operational Technology and Enterprise Business, we have expanded our Smart Installation of the Future solutions to include an innovative solution for solving the problem of low hand hygiene to reduce germ and disease (COVID-19) transfer. One of the most important responsibilities that Vectrus has as a company is to ensure that our U.S. Government customers receive the best solutions to meet operational-mission readiness requirements. Our hand hygiene solution improves compliance by solving the following three problems:

- Not cleaning properly
- Not cleaning often enough
- Not changing our behaviors

By partnering with VitaTouch®, we are ensuring we can meet the germ and disease (COVID-19) challenge today and other such challenges in the future.

THE CHALLENGE

According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), the single most important action people can take to keep from getting sick and spreading illness to others is to wash their hands. Although hand washing is critical in preventing the spread of diseases, compliance rates remain low. Spread of germs and disease poses a material risk to day-to-day operations and war fighter readiness.

The CDC recommends washing your hands before, during, and after preparing food. Before and after caring for someone who is sick. Before and after treating a cut or wound. After using the toilet. After changing diapers or cleaning up a child who has used the toilet. After blowing your nose, coughing, or sneezing. After touching an animal or animal waste. After touching garbage.

THE SOLUTION

Door handles are frequently used items and an obvious focal point and provide the opportunity to improve both compliance and reassurance that our customer is performing all of the necessary activities to reduce germ and disease transfer.

VitaTouch® patented technology enables the creation of door handles that dispense hand sanitizer directly into the palm while grasping a door handle. This eliminates the need for the user to change their behaviors and hygiene habits, while reducing the spread of disease. No buttons to push. No need to use the



other hand. No signs. Just open the door. Hand sanitizer safety and efficacy is proven, and, because of COVID-19, users are increasingly receptive to hand sanitizer use.

Our VitaTouch® Door Handles and Handle Retrofit Kits provide optimal coverage in places such as:

- **Healthcare Sites.** Medical facilities and patient treatment rooms in particular need protection due to Healthcare Acquired Infections (HAIs). According to the CDC, on any given day, about 1 in 31 hospital patients have at least one healthcare-associated infection and many potentially dangerous germs are spread from patient to patient through the hands of healthcare providers. Yet on average, healthcare providers perform hand hygiene less than half the time that they should.
- **Barracks.** Areas where large numbers of individuals sleep and operate in enclosed areas need improved hand hygiene due to rapid transfer of germs and disease through high-touch surfaces.
- **Restrooms.** Due to the number of surfaces touched when using the bathroom, it is inevitable that germs are spread to the hands. A recent study found that an antibiotic-resistant form of E. coli is spread more often by poor toilet hygiene than by handling raw meat. However, the CDC estimates that 1 out of 3 people do not wash their hands after using the restroom.
- **Dining Facilities.** These are transient points where individuals from different departments come and go frequently, remove their masks to eat and drink, and potentially introduce pathogens into the environment when exhaling. This should be considered a critical risk zone for preventing mass infections.

THE BENEFITS

- **Increased Operational Readiness and Staff Confidence.** The number one comment from focus groups run by a leading independent market research firm was "companies that invest in VitaTouch® show that they care about their staff and customer's health and must be doing everything they can to protect their health."
- **Clean Hands Properly.** Hand sanitizer safety and efficacy are proven, and, because of COVID-19, users are increasingly receptive to hand sanitizer use.
- **Clean Hands Often.** Door handles are frequently used items and an obvious focal point and when they are installed in high-traffic areas they provide the opportunity to frequently clean hands.
- **No Need to Change Behaviors.** VitaTouch® door handles dispense hand sanitizer directly into the palm while grasping a door handle, thus eliminating the need for the user to change their behaviors and hygiene habits. No buttons to push. No need to use the other hand. No signs. Just open the door.

EXPERTS IN THE FIELD

Contact the **Vectrus Supply Chain Team** at SupplyChainSolutions@vectrus.com and visit us at <https://www.vectrus.com/converged-infrastructure/> to learn more about how Vectrus' hand hygiene solution can provide optimal COVID-19 protection.