

Hardwired vs. Wireless

The Tek-CARE platform provides flexible options for every facility. Whether retrofit or new install, there is a Tek-CARE system that is right for you. When planning for the success of your healthcare community, one of the biggest questions to consider is whether to choose a wireless or hardwired nurse call system. Below is a handy chart to help you decide which type of system is best for your facility.

Tek-CARE Hardwired Nurse Call Systems	Tek-CARE500 Wireless Nurse Call System
UL 1069 Listed for Skilled Nursing Facilities (nursing homes, hospitals, etc.)	UL 2560 Listed for Senior Living Facilities (independent living, assisted living, etc.)
Devices are permanently mounted in one place , such as a resident bathroom or Operating Room.	Devices can be mounted anywhere and moved at any time, appropriate for larger campuses. Wearable pendants are also available for resident mobility.
Hardwired systems require specific wiring to ensure longevity , leading to more thoroughly planned and executed installs.	Install takes an average of ten minutes per device, allowing for less install time to have the system up and running.
Devices are lower cost overall. No batteries to replace reduces operating costs and provides a budget-friendly option.	Device batteries must be replaced, contributing to maintenance costs and labor.
Some systems offer two-way voice communication between resident rooms and nurses station	Wireless nurse call operates as a tone/visual system , providing call tones and visual notification.
Existing wire can be re-used, simplifying retrofit installations .	System is not dependent on wiring, allowing for flexible installation during renovations .
The master stations for each system provide a plethora of new capabilities, providing multi-level features dependent upon facility needs.	Each master station or PC-based remote monitor functions the same way, providing uniformity throughout the facility .

Still Can't Decide?

For facilities with multiple levels of care, it can be difficult to determine exactly which type of system to make an investment in. With the Tek-CARE platform, there is always the option to use both. The Tek-CARE Appliance server allows facilities to integrate their hardwired and wireless systems nurse call systems, annunciating calls on one platform. Facilities can benefit from all of the reliability and longevity associated with hardwired systems while also benefiting from the flexibility and reassurance of wireless resident pendants. In combination with these systems, facilities can also utilize the Tek-CARE Staff App for mobile devices and the Tek-CARE TV for Apple TV for even more flexibility.

With the Tek-CARE platform, the possibilities are endless. Calls from nurse call, wireless pendants and wander management can all be sent on the same Tek-CARE network to a cell phone, tablet, TV, nurses station or an administrator's PC. With these integrations, hardwired, wireless and third party calls can all be viewed and received from remote locations throughout the facility, ensuring that no call goes unanswered.

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