



University of Chicago Comer Children's Hospital Launches InnerWireless® System Installed by Johnson Controls

Wireless utility guarantees uniform delivery of wireless signals throughout new 155-bed, 242,000-square-foot hospital

CHICAGO and MILWAUKEE – Feb. 14, 2005 – The University of Chicago Comer Children's Hospital has deployed the InnerWireless® broadband distribution system installed by Johnson Controls, Inc., (NYSE: JCI), the global leader in facility management and control. The InnerWireless system was chosen by Comer Children's Hospital as part of its plan of using wireless technologies to further enhance patient safety and overall hospital productivity.

From the outset, University of Chicago Hospitals and Health System (UCHHS) leaders focused on creating a state-of-the-art children's hospital, including a pediatric Level 1 trauma center that provided the best medical care, as well as a comfortable, convenient and positive environment for patients and their families. A key to reaching this objective was visionary application of advanced technologies, including a heavy reliance on wireless systems throughout the hospital, which meant finding a wireless distribution system that could make wireless work everywhere in the hospital.

"We believed that incorporating a wireless utility into the infrastructure was critical to our building requirements," said Eric B. Yablonka, vice president and chief information officer for UCHHS. "For us, it was important to work with one company rather than several distinct vendors who wanted to build separate wireless networks. We liked the proactive approach of Johnson Controls and its strategic partner, InnerWireless, Inc."

"Eric Yablonka made it very clear that he wanted a seamless wireless utility that would cover all hospital operations," said Michael J. Crowe, vice president of technology for Johnson Controls. "It can be difficult to bring all interested parties together when technology purchases are being considered. We were able to facilitate discussions among administrative, operations, telecommunications, and IT staff, and then paint a picture that brought everything together."

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The heart of the wireless utility is its engineered wireless distribution system, consisting of cables, antennas, and other components engineered to support the rapidly expanding number of wireless applications and devices. From handheld devices for clinicians to two-way radios for security to asset-tracking systems and wireless building controls, the InnerWireless system helps improve hospital productivity by guaranteeing delivery of wireless signals anywhere inside the hospital.

Comer Children's Hospital plans to launch several wireless clinical applications including Voice over IP (VoIP) telephony that will be used to enhance communications for the Comer nursing staff. Nurses throughout the facility will have VoIP phones that will be integrated with the nurse call system to provide real-time alert notification. In addition, a wireless bedside admission solution will allow parents to stay with their child throughout the admitting process.

In addition to providing high-quality care, Comer is well positioned to act on its family-centered, child-friendly philosophy. Other enhancements include the capability for patients, families and friends to connect their own laptops and/or computers to the Comer wireless infrastructure to get access to the Internet. This connectivity may allow parents to work from their child's room or could allow patients access to on-line homework. Cellular phones will be allowed throughout the facility and various carriers will "tap" into the wireless utility to provide coverage for employees, patients, and family members throughout the building, including in elevators.

"The number of wireless services and applications being introduced for hospitals is truly amazing, and before InnerWireless, it would have been concerning because the solution was to install separate networks for radio, paging, and cellular equipment, which is expensive and disruptive," Yablonka said. "We worked closely with Johnson Controls to ensure that the InnerWireless system was engineered in such a way that Comer Children's Hospital now has one guaranteed system with which to manage its entire wireless environment now and in the future. When the utility was tested, it passed with flying colors."

InnerWireless CEO Ed Cantwell said close collaboration with Comer Children's Hospital shows the outcomes that are possible when the hospital and its technology partners are committed to the same objectives.

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“We are encouraged by the number of truly visionary CIOs who are saying that wireless is inevitably our future, and that a wireless distribution system must be engineered and guaranteed – Eric Yablonka and the University of Chicago Comer Children's Hospital are great examples of this vision,” said Cantwell. “The proliferation of wireless applications is fascinating, particularly in healthcare. We are pleased to be participating in this paradigm shift with organizations like Comer Children's Hospital and Johnson Controls.”

Several hospitals across the country are in various phases of installing InnerWireless. Additionally, InnerWireless is used by some of the country's most recognizable buildings, including the 2.8 million-square-foot Time Warner Center in Manhattan; New York City's Rockefeller Center Concourse; and the New Charlotte Arena, future home of the NBA's Charlotte Bobcats.

About Johnson Controls

Johnson Controls, Inc., is a global market leader in automotive systems and facilities management and control. In the automotive market, it is a major supplier of seating and interior systems, and batteries. For nonresidential facilities, Johnson Controls provides control systems and services including comfort, energy management and security management. Johnson Controls (NYSE: JCI), founded in 1885, has headquarters in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. Its sales for 2004 totaled \$26.6 billion. For more information on Johnson Controls, Inc., visit the company's web site at www.johnsoncontrols.com.

About InnerWireless

InnerWireless[®] is a unified wireless distribution platform that supports a full range of wireless services and applications in hospitals and large commercial buildings. InnerWireless, which guarantees wireless coverage inside buildings ranging in size up to 10 million square feet, is properly engineered to accommodate wireless systems essential for:

- **Interpersonal Communications** including PCS/cellular, messaging/personal data, enterprise voice, and paging
- **Clinical Operations** including wireless infusion therapy/medical administration, enterprise/clinical data, WMTS and portable patient monitoring, and people and asset tracking
- **Building Operations** including building automation, security and first-responder communications, and push-to-talk radios

InnerWireless has a strategic alliance agreement with Johnson Controls, Inc., (NYSE: JCI) the recognized global leader in building controls and infrastructure. Under the agreement, the companies collaborate to bring truly unique wireless solutions to market. Johnson Controls (www.jci.com) holds an equity position in InnerWireless.

For more information about InnerWireless, see www.InnerWireless.com

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