



## Sidney Kimmel Cancer Center

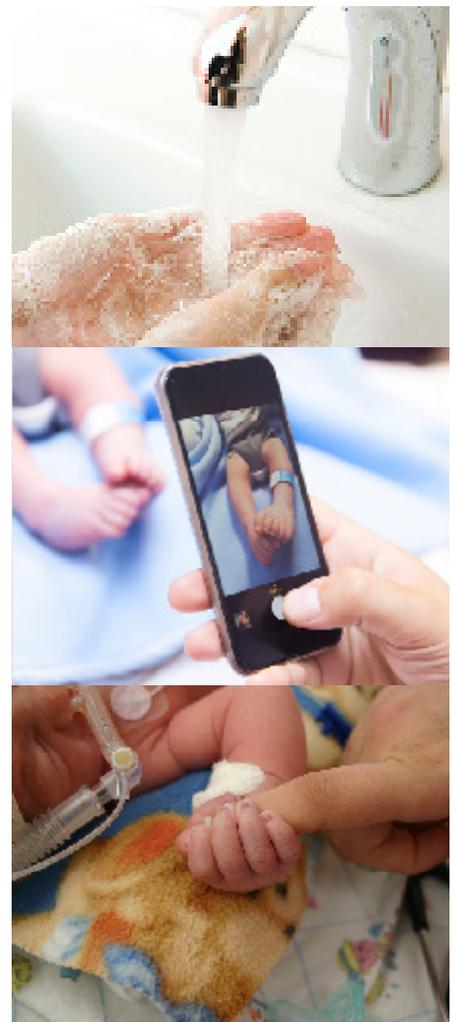
Selected iCleanse to provide an intuitive solution in immunosuppressed environment

The rapid evolution and implementation of patient-centric, data-driven, EHR systems is literally transforming patient care. Millions of dollars are being invested in systems from companies such as Epic, Cerner, Carvive, and eClinicalWorks. The fundamental capability requirement for any healthcare institution embarking on a patient-centric solution is data collection – the “R” in EHR. Collecting that data from patients demands the implementation of tablet programs. And, tablets are breeding grounds for bacteria.

The Sidney Kimmel Cancer Center (SKCC) at Jefferson, in Philadelphia, is a leader in oncology treatment and a pioneer in implementing and evolving patient-centric, data-driven programs, SKCC is a part of a Medicare demonstration project to prove out the importance and effectiveness of EHR in improving cancer care. “We have a lot of data to collect. The projects that use the iPad have a lot of visibility,” notes Gregory D. Garber MSW, LCSW, Director of Oncology Support Services at SKCC. “We are scheduling patients for a fifteen-minute screening session where we use the iPad, and then it is handed back to the staff at the front desk.”

SKCC has recently implemented patient-centric solutions in partnership with Epic and Carevive, also leaders in their respective areas of focus. In building this program, SKCC was faced with the straightforward issue of documenting and managing workflow, with which the partners (Epic and Carevive) were quite helpful. iCleanse’s solution plays an important role in providing automatic, methodical general purpose disinfection to mobile devices.

*“We have sent lots of our staff to training programs and they all come back recommending effective disinfection programs, some have specifically recommended iCleanse.”*



iCleanse Swift 5X units were placed in the front desk area, so that iPads would be disinfected after every use, and stored in the units overnight. Garber continues, "The front desk staff, of course, rotates. We wanted to keep the workflow completely understood. iCleanse is a really elegant product, assuring that the front desk people always know where and how the iPads are stored, locked, charged and available."

Proper disinfection is particularly important in immunosuppressed environments, such as SKCC, focused on oncology. Garber points out, "We're always conscious of infection in an immunosuppressed environment. We have strict guidelines, everything that gets touched should be disinfected. We don't even allow kids into the center. We don't want patients to get out with anything worse than they came in with."

Looking forward, the use of tablets can only increase. "We are going enterprise-wide with tablets. They will be used on regular visits, on every floor. And Carevive, Epic, etc., are all adding lots of used to their patient-centric products. There will be lots of applications from diagnosis through survivorship planning. We need disinfection solutions that fit with our workflow and are intuitive. iCleanse is intuitive."

## **About Sidney Kimmel Cancer Center (SKCC) at Jefferson**

Jefferson University Hospitals and Thomas Jefferson University are partners in providing excellent clinical and compassionate care for our patients in the Philadelphia region, educating the health professionals of tomorrow in a variety of disciplines and discovering new knowledge that will define the future of clinical care. Jefferson has been a Philadelphia area leader in oncology research, patient treatment and cancer education services for almost 25 years. Initially a single cancer center with a staff of 30, today the Sidney Kimmel Cancer Center (SKCC) at Jefferson includes 32 hospitals and practice member institutions staffed by hundreds of oncology researchers and physicians from around the globe.

SKCC is devoted to cancer eradication through leveraging research strengths to:

- Discover the molecular basis of cancer development and progression
- Develop this knowledge into effective new prevention, detection, and treatment strategies
- Disseminate through educating patients, clinicians, and laboratory based scientists
- Deliver the most advanced cancer care

## **About iCleanse**

iCleanse is a privately held company whose products are used around the globe to support workflow and the overall management of tablet computers in hospitals, retail, food service, and other applications that require secure storage, charging and disinfection. To learn more, visit [www.icleanse.com](http://www.icleanse.com) or call 800.969.1166