



## December Newsletter

# Hand Hygiene Solutions Improve Leapfrog Scores

## Hospitals that want to improve their Leapfrog scores turn to automated accountability.

The Leapfrog score is a letter grade assigned twice a year to nearly 3,000 general hospitals. The score measures patient safety across 22 evidence-based measures that address preventable errors, injuries and infections. Results are public and can be searched [here](#). The following is an example of a hospital's hand hygiene score.

### Handwashing

Hospitals should regularly monitor hand hygiene practices for everyone interacting with patients, and give feedback to ensure compliance. Hospitals should foster a culture of good hand hygiene, offer training and education, and provide equipment, such as paper towels, soap dispensers, and hand sanitizer.



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Hand Hygiene Domain	Performance
Hospital regularly monitors hand hygiene practices	Met the requirement to monitor 200 hand hygiene opportunities monthly using direct observation only.
Feedback provided to ensure compliance with hand hygiene	Met
Appropriate training and education provided	Met
Access to paper towels, soap dispensers, and hand sanitizer maintained	Met
Culture of good hand hygiene emphasized	Met

Hand hygiene monitoring solutions vary by vendor and provide different levels of insight and accountability. Here are four questions you should ask when evaluating solutions.

1. Is the solution dispenser agnostic?
2. Does the solution support wash protocols regardless of department or employee role?
3. Does the solution provide a reminder to clinician when they miss a washing opportunity?

4. Does the solution provide comprehensive reporting including drill down reports?

Read our latest [blog](#) for AiRISTA's response to these 4 questions.

Improving hand hygiene compliance is hard because changing peoples' behavior is hard. Data from AiRISTA's automated [hand hygiene solution](#) establishes a base of current compliance, encourages improvement with reminders of missed washing opportunities, and provides the data to monitor progress and share results.

Please contact us for more information at [salesinfo@airista.com](mailto:salesinfo@airista.com)

## Your Simple Act Can Help Keep Healthcare Workers Safe

### AiRISTA's Commitment to Healthcare Worker Safety

The Workplace Violence Prevention for Health Care and Social Service Workers Act has been introduced in Congress. U.S. Senator Tammy Baldwin (D-WI) and Representative Joe Courtney (D-CT-02) introduced bipartisan, bicameral [legislation](#) to protect health care and social service employees from workplace violence. But to push it through committee requires voices from the healthcare community. Please complete this automated [form](#) which is sent to your representatives. It takes less than 30 seconds!

As a supporter of the bill, AiRISTA has demonstrated a commitment to safety in healthcare environments for over 10 years. We have worked with state officials to provide an emergency response system for some of the most challenging environments. Click [here](#) for a copy of the California OSHA "Workplace Violence Prevention in Healthcare" worksheet.





Having earned the position as the world's #1 two-way communicating [staff safety tag](#), our solution also acts a visible deterrent using LEDs, buttons, buzzers and text display. A 2017 study found that rates of violent incidents were 60 percent lower in hospital units with unit specific, comprehensive intervention plans compared to units that did not have such plans.

## Vision & Sofia Support for Cisco Spaces & CMX

# CISCO SPACES

AiRISTA confirms support for Cisco Systems' CMX and Cisco Spaces. Cisco Spaces is a platform to centralize location information for its ecosystem of partners. Connected Mobile Experience (CMX) provides centralized maps and location coordinates for RTLS platforms. Both of AiRISTA's RTLS platforms, Vision and Sofia, now support all versions of CMX and Cisco Spaces. When combined with support for Cisco Meraki's Dashboard, Scanning and Streaming APIs, AiRISTA has you covered regardless of your Cisco wireless infrastructure.

## Join Us at Vive '24

AiRISTA will be exhibiting at Vive '24 Feb 25-28.

Location: Las Angeles Convention Center – Booth #1362

Visit AiRISTA at [Vive '24](#) for an immersive experience of hospital workflows lit up with location insights. Experience the possibilities RTLS brings to the orchestration of patients, staff, and assets to improve capacity and the patient experience.

Vive is an annual event custom-designed for digital health leaders innovating across the spectrum of health and care. Vive creates an immersive environment for networking and brainstorming with digital health's disruptors and influencers.

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## AiRISTA Insights

### Articles We Found Interesting And We Thought You Might Too

#### [4 Forces That Are Fundamentally Changing How We Work](#)

"In this next phase, work will be defined by its adaptability, technological integration, flexibility, and collaborative spirit." Harvard Business Review

#### [How health systems and educators can work to close the talent gap](#)

"US health systems could address workforce shortages across a wide range of healthcare roles by setting up their own education entities or partnering with postsecondary-education institutions." McKinsey & Co.

#### [Is Your Hospitality Business Ready for a Robot?](#)

"As more businesses in the hospitality industry consider robots as a solution to a thinned frontline service workforce, owners and operators must recognize that their investment in a service robot extends beyond the hardware and software." Harvard Business Review

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#### **AiRISTA is Hiring**

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