

HELP REDUCE THE RISK OF HEALTHCARE-ASSOCIATED INFECTION



Every Patient Deserves a Clean Start

Contaminated electrocardiogram (ECG) lead wires have been linked to outbreaks of healthcare-associated infections (HAIs) such as vancomycin-resistant enterococci (VRE).¹

That's why we designed the Kendall™ DL Cable and Lead Wire System to be single patient use — to help your hospital reduce the risk of contamination with HAI-causing pathogens.

A WORLDWIDE PROBLEM²

VRE has spread to at least:

18
Countries

6
Continents

33–77%

of reusable ECG lead wires remain contaminated with HAI-causing pathogens, such as VRE, after cleaning^{3–5}

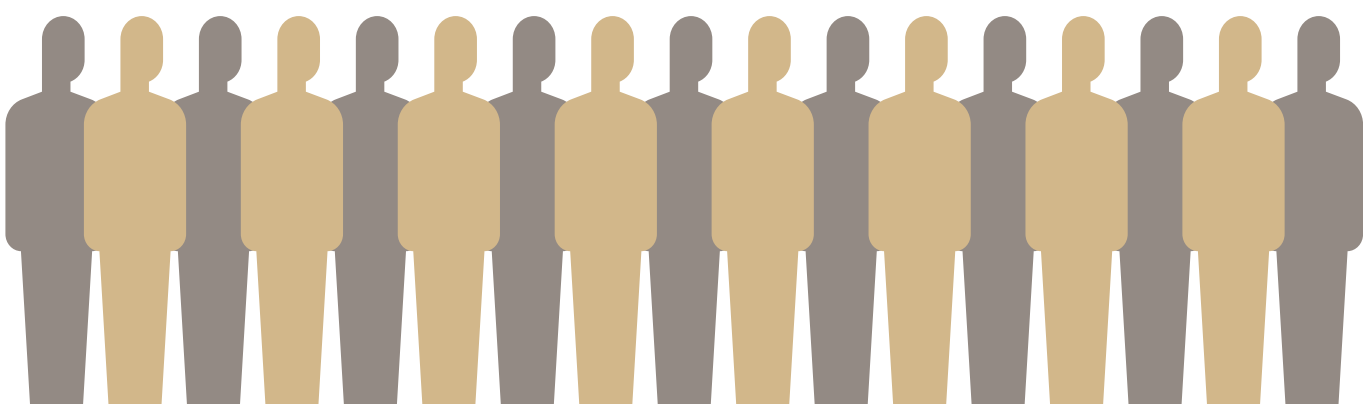


VRE infection is associated with⁶:

2.5x
Higher Odds
Of Mortality

3X
Higher Risk
Of Readmission

~\$10,000
Excess Cost Per Patient

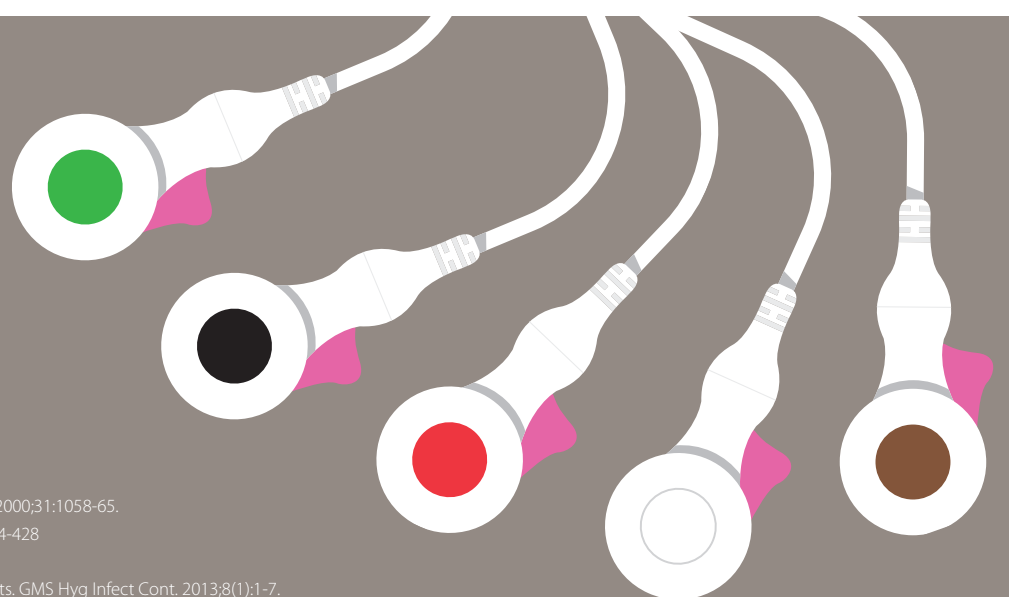


Up to **85,000 Patients⁷** are infected by VRE annually in U.S. hospitals

= 5,000 patients

Kendall™ DL Cable and Lead Wire System for single patient use

Help Reduce the Risk of Lead Wire Cross-Contamination⁸



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