# SAVE LIVES: SPECIFY FOR HEALTH

## WHY HEALTHCARE SPECIFICATIONS MATTER

#### Safety in Healthcare Design

The United States Department of Veterans Affairs is the single largest healthcare provider in the country.

And there is no other construction space where improper product installation can be more detrimental than healthcare facilities. Faulty installations create hiding places for germs and bacteria, breeding grounds for mold and mildew, and, ultimately, compromise the safety and sterility of the healthcare space.

That's why it's crucial to specify INSTALL Warranty Contractors and INSTALL-certified floorcovering professionals who are trained in ICRA standards, which ensures that infectious agents are controlled and patients are safe.

#### 1 in 25

hospital patients has at least one healthcare-acquired infection at any given moment

#### 1.7 million

patient healthcareacquired infections every year nationwide

When you design for healthcare, you're designing for health.

Specifying **INSTALL** and **ICRA** for your installations prevents the spread of deadly infections and saves lives.



### **VA Healthcare Construction**



The VA is the country's largest healthcare construction spender.

That means healthcare designers and specifiers have more healthcare projects to pursue.



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#### **VA Healthcare Facilities at a Glance**

A look at VA Healthcare facilities across the country



total VA Healthcare facilities in the U.S.



**VA** Hospitals

134

Community Living Centers

Mental Health Residential Rehabilitation **Treatment Program Centers** 

VA Medical Center-Based **Outpatient Care** 

Community-Based

**Outpatient Clinics** 

Other Outpatient Service Sites

Dialysis Centers

**Veteran Centers** 

#### **You Specify Products.** You Should Specify Their Installation.

Since the VA strives for the highest standards to serve America's veterans, the department has adopted INSTALL certification standards or equal into its Section 09 68 00 Carpeting, Section 09 65 19 Resilient Tile Flooring, Section 09 65 16 Resilient Sheet Flooring and Section 09 68 21 Athletic Carpeting.

