

## **Xenex Changes Name to Xenex Disinfection Services**



Xenex Healthcare Services, the world leader in pulsed xenon UV room disinfection systems for healthcare facilities, announced on July 22, 2013, it changed its name to Xenex Disinfection Services.

"We changed the company name to better describe our product offering and company strategy," said Morris Miller, CEO of Xenex. "The most important step in infection control begins with a clean environment and that's what Xenex's room disinfection system accomplishes. In just 5-10 minutes per room, our portable 'robot' can eliminate the deadly microorganisms and superbugs that cause infections. We have conclusive proof that hospitals utilizing Xenex's room disinfection system are experiencing a cleaner and therefore a safer environment."

Founded in 2008, Xenex has quickly become one of the leaders in the room disinfection industry. Innovative hospitals throughout the U.S. are using Xenex's patented, pulsed xenon UV light room disinfection system to quickly destroy viruses, bacteria and bacterial spores in the patient environment without contact or chemicals. Uniquely designed for ease of use and portability, a hospital's environmental services staff can operate the Xenex device without disrupting hospital operations. A Xenex device can disinfect over thirty (30) rooms per day at a cost of approximately \$3 per room, allowing hospitals to use the system continuously to reduce contamination levels throughout their facilities.

Nearly 25 percent of the 18 facilities listed in the 2013-14 U.S. News & World Report Honor Roll of Best Hospitals use Xenex's room disinfection system. The magazine annually publishes a Best Hospitals list after evaluating the performance of nearly 5,000 medical centers in 16 medical specialties across the country on their performance in areas such as hospital reputation, patient survival rates and patient safety information. To make the Honor Roll, a facility must rank near the top in at least six specialties. The University of Texas MD Anderson Cancer Center in Houston, a Xenex customer, was ranked the number one hospital for cancer care.

Healthcare associated infections (HAIs) are responsible for the deaths of nearly 300 people per day in the United States. Hospital cleanliness plays a role in the spread of HAIs, which are caused by microorganisms such as C. diff, MRSA, Carbapenem-Resistant Enterobacteriaceae (CRE) and Acinetobacter baumannii. Research shows that hospital cleaning teams using standard cleaning practices are not able to disinfect all the surfaces in patient rooms, with more than half of the surfaces remaining untouched. Some superbugs such as C. diff are showing resistance to chemical disinfectants, making them even more difficult to eliminate. Others, like CRE, have developed a resistance to antibiotics, making them nearly impossible to treat.

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