How Access Control Keeps Elite Surgical Affiliates Safe

It was the worst recession since the Great Depression when Elite Surgical Affiliates first launched. Founded in 2008, the Houston-based company develops and manages orthopedic, spine and pain surgical facilities throughout Texas. From facility design to internal controls, it provides a spectrum of services for surgery center operations.

Since its formation, Elite Surgical Affiliates has become renowned for its concierge-style of medical care. Today, it stands as one of Texas’ most highly-recommended surgical centers, boasting four facilities throughout the state.

When CIO Chuck Bell needed a way to safeguard its numerous surgical centers, he sought for a security solution as advanced as the facilities’ treatment options.

Elite Surgical Affiliates secures multiple medical centers at once with critical access control solutions from Johnson Controls.

How Elite Surgical Affiliates stays protected

Undoubtedly, protecting four sprawling surgical centers can be a daunting task.

It’s an even greater task when Federal privacy laws prohibit the use of video cameras in certain parts of the facility—a man challenge for the company.

To protect patient privacy and sensitive medical records, existing HIPAA laws bar the use of filming in sensitive areas throughout medical clinics and hospitals.

That’s why Bell enlisted the help of Johnson Controls. Their access control solutions provided the perfect solution to help protect surgery, patients and numerous facilities throughout Texas.

With the advanced capabilities of access control, he can also ensure that the controlled substances needed for life-saving surgeries stay safely stored and protected from falling into the wrong hands.

Plus, as the leading IT strategist, he can manage the security of multiple facilities at one time. The remote features let him service exits and entry points from just about anywhere, from his laptop. That means he doesn’t have to be on one site to protect another. For Bell, it’s like being everywhere at once!

What’s more, the decision to outsource the security has helped reduce operating expenses and increase profitability for the company.

And it’s all backed by Johnson Controls’ 24/7 continuous security monitoring, so the centers stay protected any day, any time.

“As a CIO, I feel like I’ve been able to bring a standardized level of security to all our facilities,” says Bell. “I spend a lot of time out in the field, going from site to site. When I’m at one site, I’m not tied down to just taking care of their needs; I can take care of the other facilities’ needs as well. As long as I have a laptop and an internet connection, I can take care of all our sites.”

Johnson Controls protects more than medical facilities

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