

5 CONSIDERATIONS FOR BEST HOSPITAL FLOORING



HOSPITAL FLOORS

Coatings for medical offices, hospitals and clinics, patient care homes, and lab facilities is a highly specialized division of commercial contract labor. One of the biggest challenges in considering hospital flooring is the vast array of spaces which need to be maintained, and often prevented from contaminating other areas of the facility.

The different areas of a hospital may require multiple solutions based on how each individual space will be used. Whether patient rooms, common areas, surgical centers, storage\receiving space, the IT center, or mixed use spaces, virtually every individual area may require different flooring solutions.

The Black Bear Team, with over 30 years of combined expertise in commercial coatings, has partnered with medical facilities and healthcare companies to provide longer-lasting floors based on performance in the individual environments. We are trusted by more hospitals, private practice offices, and labs to engineer the right solution for each space. *A sample of clients include:*

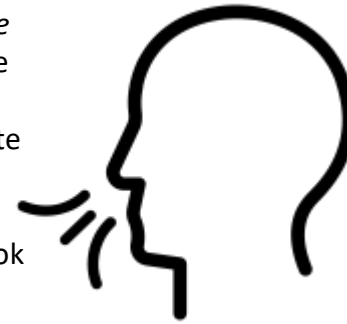




1 – NO VOC

VOLATILE ORGANIC COMPOUNDS

Volatile organic compounds must be avoided. In hospitals and healthcare settings, it's important to find flooring solutions that will not create fumes or other odors that could be dangerous for patients. When examining different alternatives, look for vendors that use zero volatile organic compound (VOC) products.





2 – HYGIENE

SANITARY CONDITIONS

Maintaining hygienic conditions is essential. Every aspect of the hospital environment is optimized to prevent infection. Commercial flooring needs to be easily cleaned and made of materials that will not harbor bacteria. Whether you are in a commercial kitchen, lab, clean room, or office space maintaining state and federal compliance guidelines must be addressed. *Sample of regulatory agencies include:*





3 – TRAFFIC

HIGH-TRAFFIC AND EQUIPMENT TREAD

Flooring must withstand round-the-clock traffic. Hospital floors are subjected to constant foot traffic, as well as medical equipment and mobile machinery, patient beds, janitorial equipment, and more. It's important to find flooring materials that will hold up under constant wear and provide an anti-slip surface to minimize risk.

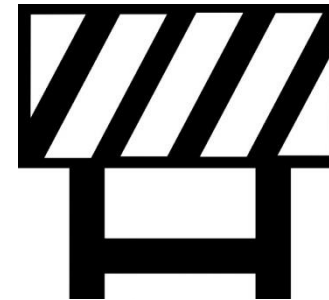




4 – DOWNTIME

RENOVATION & REPLACEMENT FLOORING

Floor refurbishing projects must minimize downtime and withstand environmental impact. Hospitals are a 24/7 working space. As a result, any floor refurbishment initiatives need to be completed quickly to avoid disruption to operations. This includes minimizing dust and debris that can contaminate sanitary areas of a facility. Identifying the right vendor is the key to finding the appropriate flooring application and installation process.

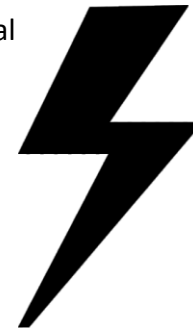




5 – SHOCK

STATIC ELECTRICITY

Static dissipation is important in areas with electronics. And, as today's hospital environment has become high tech, connected and sophisticated medical devices in most patient rooms and procedure areas rely on electronics. Floors may need to provide static dissipative qualities to avoid static electricity that could damage equipment. This has become increasingly important in commercial and industrial applications.





EXPERTISE

The Northeast's Leading Commercial Flooring Experts

Black Bear Coatings & Concrete is a partner you can trust. Our comprehensive approach is all-encompassing. We know that selecting the correct resinous coating to install is defined by the performance of the material in a specific space, and in hospitals and healthcare facilities there are various environmental factors that need to be addressed.

Black Bear takes the time to work with healthcare clients to understand individual needs, compliance, and maintenance requirements. We take substrate condition, chemical exposure, impact and wear resistance, thermal shock, and aesthetics into consideration as well as environmental impact to engineer the right solution.

Talk to us to learn more about successful projects for hospitals, medical offices, and hospice / in-home care facilities to learn how Black Bear can help your company.