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Customer: Schwarzwald-Baar Klinikum

Industry: Healthcare

Location: Villingen-Schwenningen,
Germany

Employees: 3,200

Number of beds: 1,000

Project: Digital documentation and
medication delivery improvements

Products: Ergotron StyleView® 42 Medical
Carts, CareFit™ Slim LCD Carts



Ergotron's Durable Medical Carts Improve Documentation and Medication Delivery Workflows

VILLINGEN-SCHWENNINGEN, GERMANY

The Schwarzwald-Baar Klinikum Villingen-Schwenningen is an academic teaching hospital of the University of Freiburg. With two locations, it is one of the largest healthcare systems in southern Baden-Württemberg. To accommodate new technology and digital documentation, they needed durable mobile medical carts that could fit into tight spaces and accommodate standard software.

“When the new hospital building at the Villingen-Schwenningen site was planned 15 years ago, no one considered that digital workplaces could become necessary. Therefore, patient rooms only consist of a small work area, many cupboards and often a sink,” said Björn Bechtold, deputy director for IT and central project management and head of IT infrastructure.



“We have had a very good experience with the SV42. Our oldest models are now almost 10 years old and still in use. Anyone who is familiar with everyday clinical life knows that this speaks to their robustness. That’s why we once again looked to Ergotron for a more compact medical cart,” Bechtold explained.

Together with the partner IT service provider, they also found what they were looking for at Ergotron. They selected the CareFit Slim LCD Cart as a compact option for preparing medication. The cart supports a closed loop process where everything from the order to the provision of the medication to the administration can be documented on the PC and traced using barcodes. This process supports accurate and efficient medication administration for both caregivers and patients.

While the CareFit Slim LCD Cart is half as deep as the StyleView 42 Medical Cart, the team recognizes it’s just as robust.

“The quality is comparable to the SV42,” Bechtold said. “We are convinced of the durability of the medical cart.”

Both carts support infection control with easy-to-clean designs that include worksurfaces and cables that can be wiped and disinfected.

With access to the Ergotron medical carts, Schwarzwald-Baar Klinikum caregivers can work to meet the German hospital digitalization requirements while supporting the best patient care. Schwarzwald-Baar Klinikum remains in close contact with Ergotron to ensure they have the right equipment to meet the requirements both now and in the future.



“The CareFit Slim Medical Cart allowed us to implement a closed loop process to support accuracy and patient safety. Everything from ordering to providing the medication to administering the medication can now be documented and traced on the PC using barcodes.”

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Schwarzwald-Baar Klinikum looked to Ergotron’s portfolio to fit their needs. They began by implementing the StyleView 42 Medical Cart, which accommodated their standard IT hardware and accessories, like a scanner holder.

“That makes administration much easier than installing separate IT hardware that is only used for the medical cart,” Bechtold said.

For digital documentation, users can adjust the height of the medical cart to type comfortably sitting or standing based on their personal preferences and body types.

In addition to the fully equipped StyleView 42 Medical Cart, the hospital wanted to complement their fleet with an agile, space-saving solution.

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