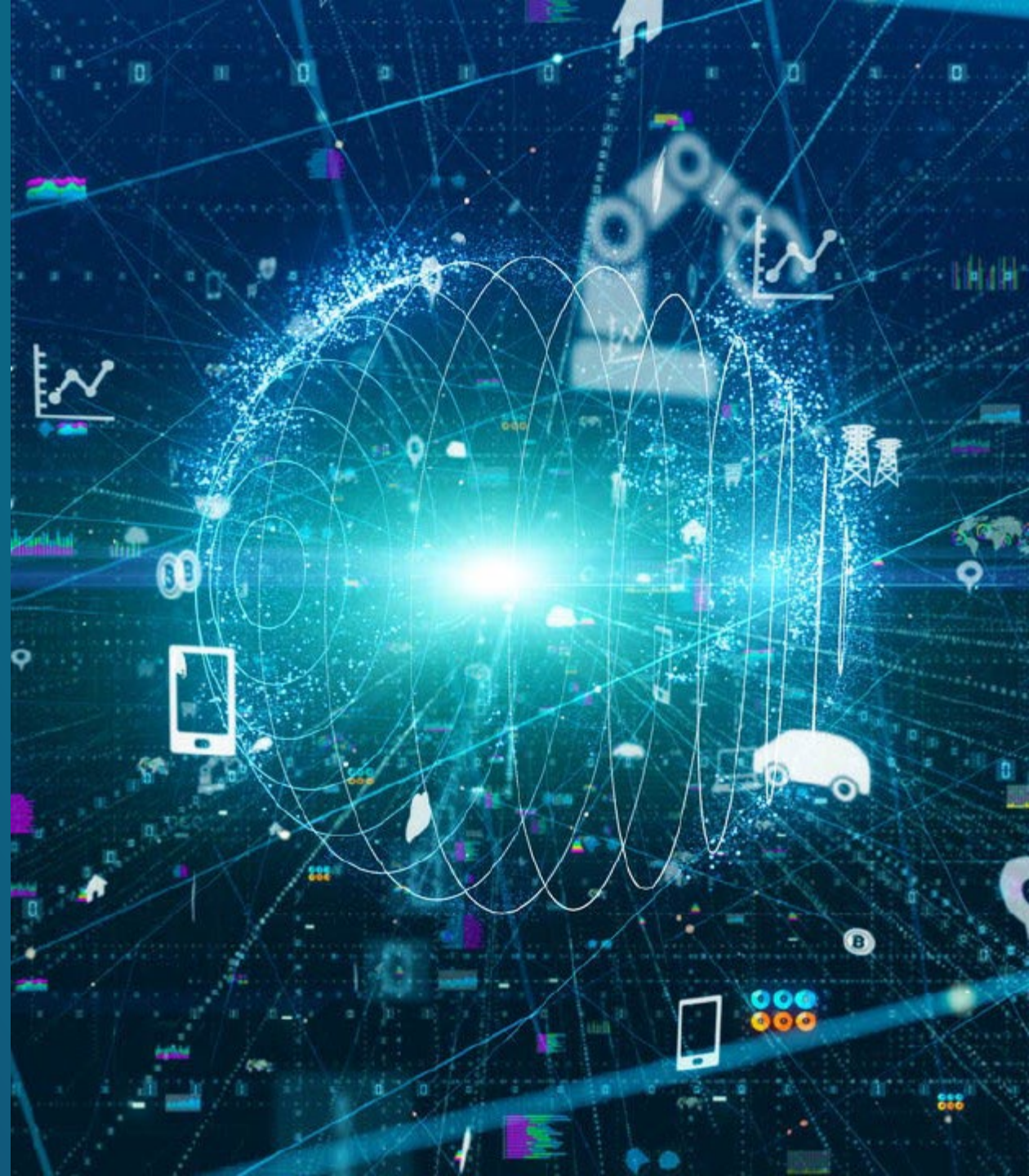


Healthcare environments: design considerations in an increasingly demanding environment

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- There is a tide in the affairs of men
Which, taken at the flood, leads on to fortune;
Omitted, all the voyage of their life
Is bound in shallows and in miseries.
On such a full sea are we now afloat,
And we must take the current when it serves,
Or lose our ventures.

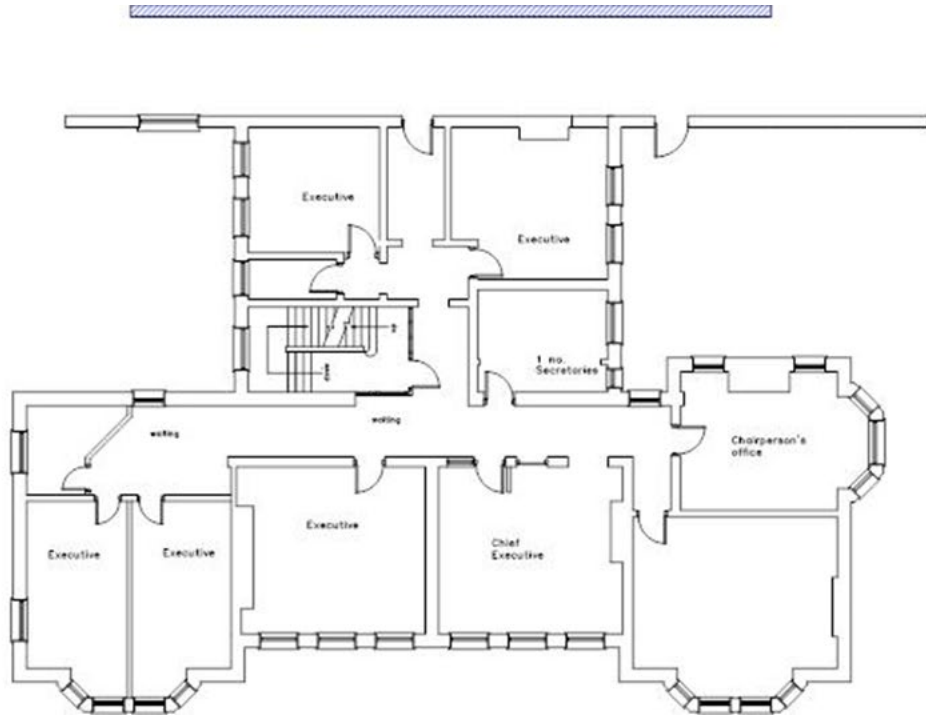
Shakespeare's Julius Caesar IV.ii.269–276

- 2009 – 2011
- Coverage Only
- COWS
- VoIP
- -67 -72 -80

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The Walls





- The installed WIFI solution was ordered and built around 2007/ 2008 as part of a directive to deliver ubiquitous WIFI coverage across the hospital site. The hospital was surveyed, cabled and access points installed across this timeframe and subsequently re surveyed, beyond which the AP count was increased to the current capacity.
- As the needs of applications like VoIP and patient imaging present themselves more frequently across the WIFI, the network has become more visibly constrained. Simpler, more agile and more available service is required across the site.
- A number of medical devices are now using the WIFI for patient imaging, data access and other elements. An example of this is the Agfa Mobile Digital Radiographic machines in use in the hospital, which operate as portable wheeled units – these are 802.11n WIFI capable and transmit X-Ray images directly to PACS imaging resources on the hospital network.



COVERAGE REQUIREMENTS ?

Default Requirement: Ekahau Best Practices

Requirement: Ekahau Best Practices Delete Add Make Default

Criteria		2.4GHz	5GHz	6GHz	
■ Signal Strength	Min	<input type="text" value="-67"/>	<input type="text" value="-67"/>	<input type="text" value="-67"/>	dBm
■ Secondary Signal Strength	Min	<input type="text" value="OFF"/>	<input type="text" value="-67"/>	<input type="text" value="-67"/>	dBm
■ Tertiary Signal Strength	Min	<input type="text" value="OFF"/>	<input type="text" value="OFF"/>	<input type="text" value="OFF"/>	dBm
■ Signal-to-Noise Ratio	Min	<input type="text" value="20"/>	<input type="text" value="25"/>	<input type="text" value="25"/>	dB
■ Data Rate	Min	<input type="text" value="24"/>	<input type="text" value="24"/>	<input type="text" value="24"/>	Mbps
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■ at min.		<input type="text" value="OFF"/>	<input type="text" value="OFF"/>	<input type="text" value="OFF"/>	dBm
■ Round Trip Time (RTT)	Max	<input type="text" value="200"/>	<input type="text" value="200"/>	<input type="text" value="200"/>	ms
■ Packet Loss	Max	<input type="text" value="0"/>	<input type="text" value="0"/>	<input type="text" value="0"/>	%

Apply the same criteria to all bands

Close

Location Tracking (RTLS)

- Basic Connectivity
- High Speed Connectivity
- Location Tracking (RTLS)**
- Ekahau Best Practices
- WIPS / WIDS
- Aruba VHD Guideline
- Cisco Design Guideline
- Polycom Guidelines
- Ruckus Best Practices
- Skype / Lync G...

DEVICE PROFILES

Profile Name: Generic Wi-Fi 6E Smartphone Delete Add

Technology: Wi-Fi 6E (Wi-Fi 6 @ 2.4, 5 &...

Max Supported Bandwidth: 160MHz

MIMO: 2x2:2

Offset @ 2.4 GHz: -10.0 dB

Offset @ 5 GHz: -10.0 dB

Offset @ 6 GHz: -10.0 dB

Band Selection: Automatic

- **Guest access**
- **Streaming Media**
- **Video calls**

- **2021-22 -15.9M FAE**

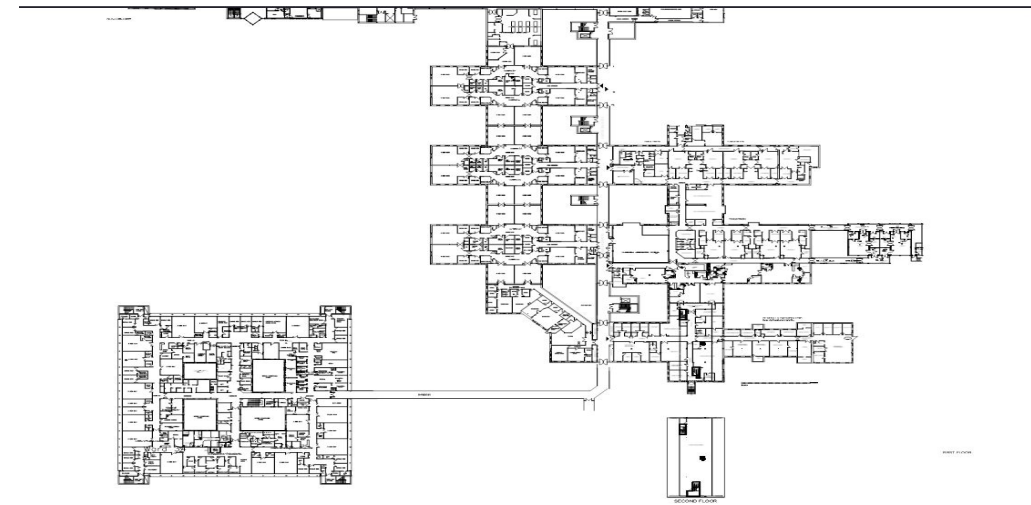
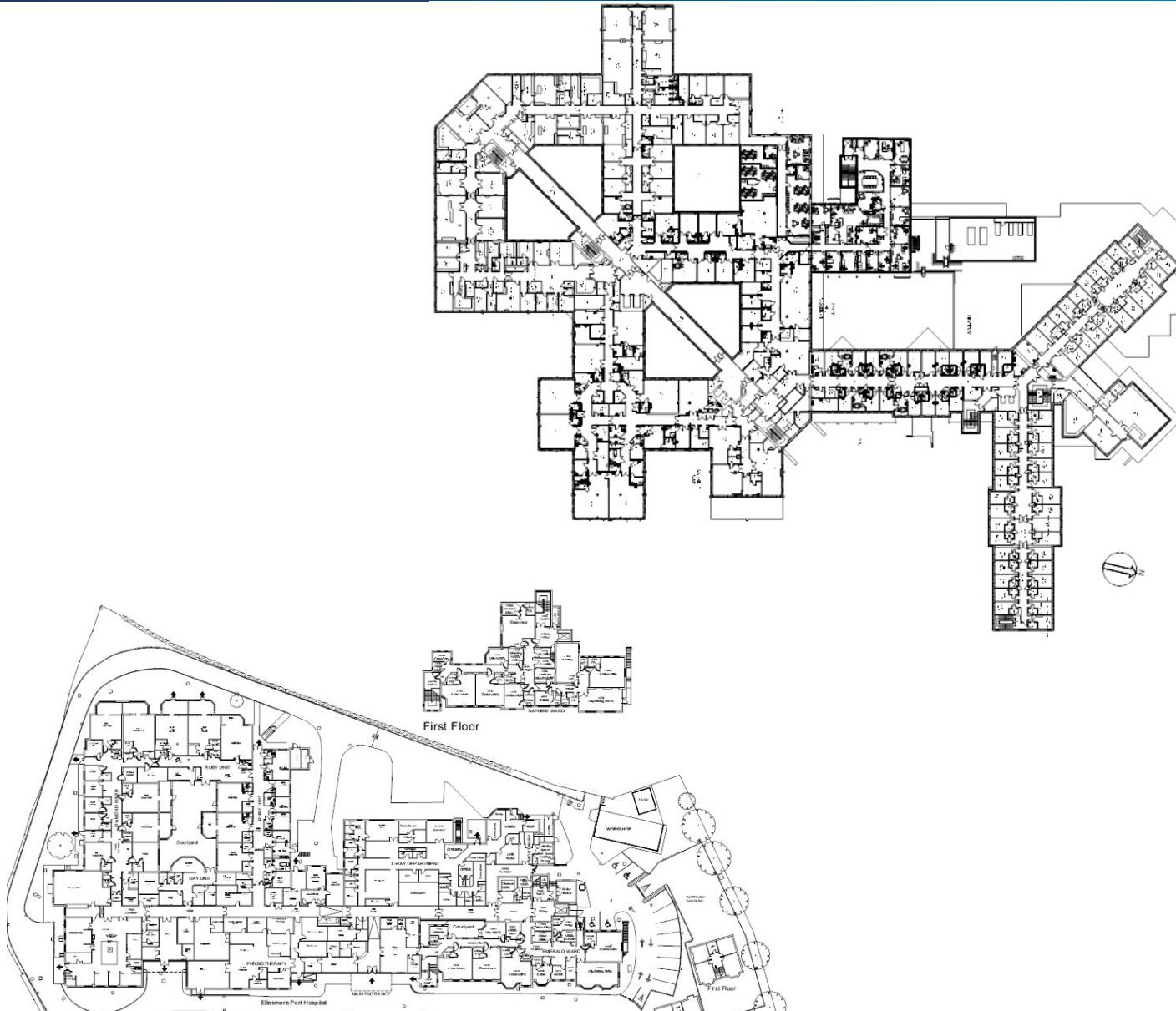
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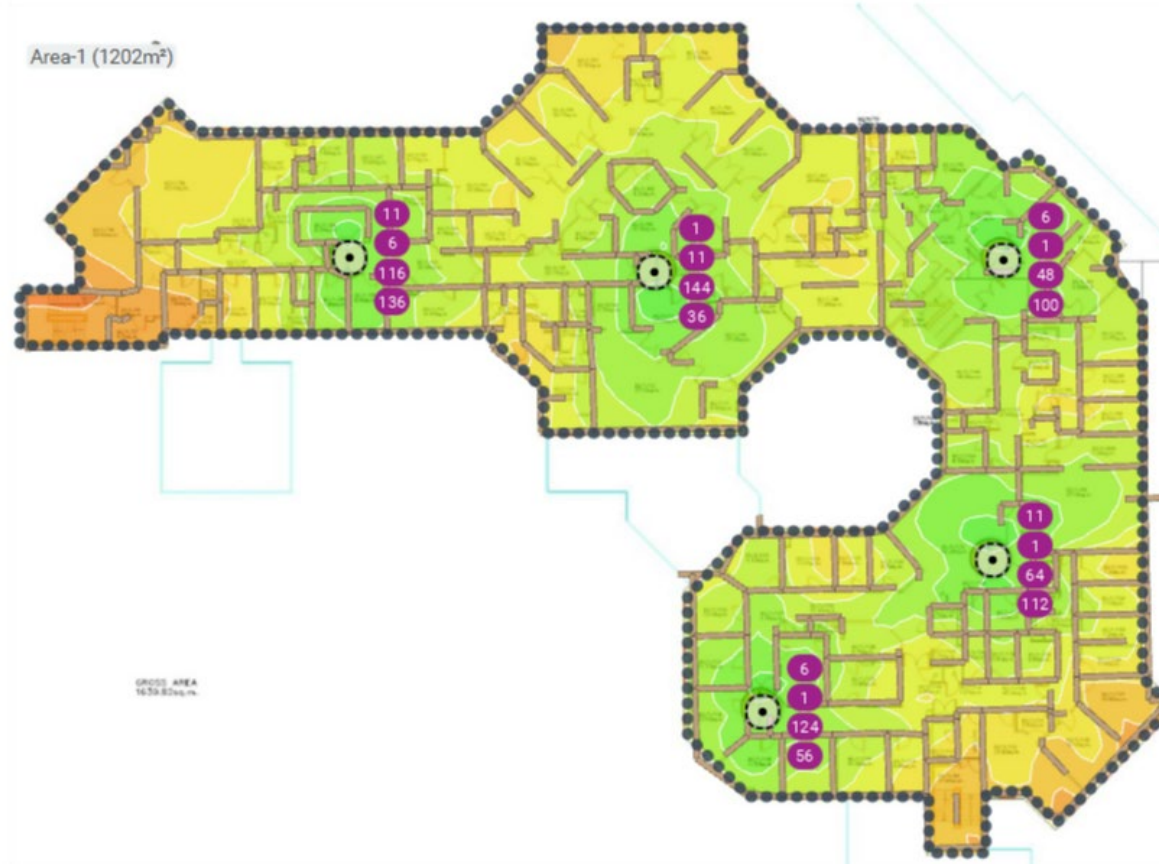
- Shropshire star*



Design's Design's Design's



Changing times - Designs Change



- AI Auto-Planner
- Channel Planner
- Network Simulator (BETA)

- Locate Measured Access Points ▶
- Clear Measured Access Points ▶

- Wall Calibration
- Wall Detection (BETA)**

Changing times - Designs Change

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← ADVANCED SETTINGS

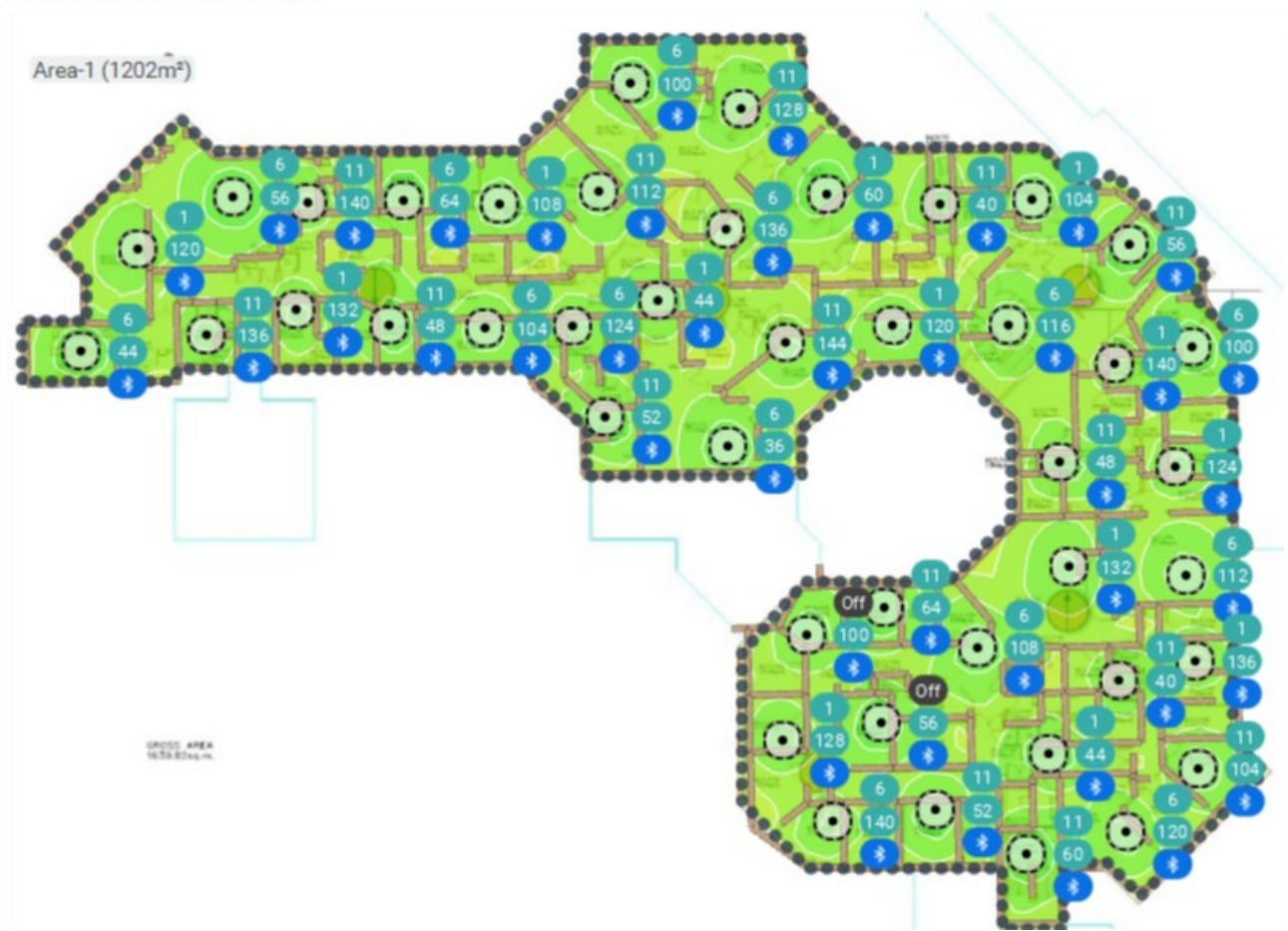
Access point type: **Aruba AP-515**

Transmit power (mW):
 2.4 GHz: 6.31 (EIRP: 11.8 dBm)
 5 GHz: 25 (EIRP: 18.579 dBm)
 6 GHz: 25 (EIRP: Disabled)

Antenna height: 2.4 m from the floor level

AREAS	AREA	FLOOR	REQUIREMENT	NO. DEVICES	
	Area-1	BH examp 09	Location Tracking ...	44	Configure

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NETWORK HEALTH SUMMARY

ITERATIONS	APs	2.4 GHz	5 GHz	6 GHz
2728	44	93% ✓	100% ✓	-

NETWORK HEALTH PER FLOOR

FLOOR (1)	APs	2.4 GHz	5 GHz	6 GHz
BH examp 09	44	93% ✓	100% ✓	-

- Hospitals are Huge
- There are many systems
- 1000's of connected devices
- Different devices
- innovative technologies
- Utilize the right tools
- Get a lightweight survey kit



Step 1

A Great Network
Starts with a
Great **DESIGN**



Step 2

VALIDATE with
Super Accurate
SIDEKICK 2
Measurements



Step 3

Maintain Great
Wi-Fi with
Regular **HEALTH**
CHECKS



Cambium Networks™

Thank You