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**Discover the DuPont™ Corian® surface solutions for healthcare**

For more than 40 years, DuPont scientists and engineers have created beautiful, enduring surface materials that captivate the imagination. A true innovation in technology, DuPont™ Corian® pioneered the science behind solid surfaces - spurring an entire industry. Today, we continue to push the limits of technology and design to deliver even more stunning effects, such as surfaces with enhanced translucency and thermoforming techniques to make it more feasible to bring your visions to life.

**DuPont: the full spectrum approach to healthcare facilities**

At DuPont, our goal is simple: to create sustainable solutions that offer a better, safer and healthier life for people everywhere. In addition to innovative surfaces for healthcare environments, we can also help you determine the best materials for other aspects of the facility.

Protection on the inside

A significant part of delivering positive patient outcomes is the prevention of hospital-acquired infections. In addition to Corian®, DuPont offers a broad range of solutions to help protect against the spread of infection in healthcare facilities, including DuPont™ RelyOn™ antiseptic and disinfectant solutions; DuPont™ Softesse® and DuPont™ Supraco® - protective medical gowns and drapes; and DuPont™ Tyvek® protective material for sterile medical device packaging.

Protection on the outside

Innovative DuPont™ Tyvek® breather membranes help protect buildings from water and air intrusion for increased energy efficiency.

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When helping to prevent the spread of infection, the surface matters

Every year too many patients contract hospital acquired infections during a hospital stay. But clean, sanitary surfaces can help to prevent the spread of infection. DuPont™ Corian® is a non-porous surface that, when properly cleaned, does not support the growth of mould, mildew and bacteria and therefore helps to reduce the spread of infection.

The surface that works virtually everywhere

DuPont™ Corian® can be used for reception counters, patient bathrooms, operating room walls, food serving and preparation counters and even lab countertops. And because it can be thermoformed, shaped, carved and routed, it’s the surface that conforms to your imagination.

A completely solid composite material throughout.

The non-porous composition of Corian® makes it easier to clean and provides long lasting durability. Made from aluminia trihydrate in an acrylic polymer matrix, it can be thermoformed, inconspicuously sealed and easily disinfected - making it an ideal material for a variety of healthcare environments.

Superior durability for high-use applications

Corian® is heat- and stain-resistant, so it stays looking like new even in tough healthcare environments. Corian® is also easy to renew and repair. It’s scratched or scorch marks can be removed with a mild abrasive or sandpaper.

Meet and exceed commercial and healthcare standards

DuPont™ Corian® can help you ensure that your designs meet critical industry standards. DuPont surfaces products are GREENGUARD Indoor Air Quality Certified. Corian® has also received LGA certification for its hygienic properties.

In an effort to better protect the health of patients and staff, as well as reduce the environmental footprint of facilities, today’s healthcare design and construction professionals are focused on “green” design practices. Key voluntary guidelines such as the Green Guide for Health Care™ (GGHC) and the Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED®) Green Building Rating System™ are emerging as critical tools for evaluating the sustainability of buildings.

A completely solid and absolutely non-porous | addictively pure under the skin of hygiene, stain-resistant Corian®, which is suitable for a vast array of applications from sinks to waste containers.

DuPont™ Corian®, the ideal surface for healthcare environments

Busy healthcare professionals need to be able to concentrate on patient care, with confidence that their working environment meets the highest standards, not just in performance, but also in aesthetics. A clean, hygienic, fresh and relaxing environment can help clinicians do what they do best and enhance patient recovery. DuPont™ Corian® meets all the requirements of a hardworking surface for healthcare, while also offering a decorative appeal and a versatility in design that makes it suitable for any scheme.

1. Ease of maintenance

As a solid, non-porous surface, Corian® can be maintained with minimum care to retain its original appearance. Because it can be renewed, Corian® will still look and perform like a new installation after many years of use, while other surfacing materials will often need to be replaced. With proper care, Corian® will stay looking like new for years.

2. With proper cleaning, does not support microbial growth

DuPont™ Corian® is a completely solid surface that does not support microbial growth when properly cleaned. Corian® has been listed by GreenGuard for being microbially resistant when tested according to a test method following the guidelines of ASTM D6129 and analyzed with a quantitative scale. In addition, because Corian® joints and seams form a molecular bond that creates a virtually seamless surface, there are no cracks or voids for dirt to infiltrate. Fungus resistance An independent laboratory inoculated a sample of Corian® with spores of five common fungi, then placed it in a chamber providing ideal conditions for fungal growth. After 21 days, DuPont™ Corian® showed no growth of the test fungi, control samples of other surface materials showed moderate to heavy growth.

Sanitization Corian® is tough enough to withstand the chemical agents used to reduce Staphylococcus aureus and a variety of virulent strains of bacterial contamination by 99.99% in one minute.

3. Smooth, non-porous

Corian® is a non-porous surface, which allows for easier cleaning, disinfecting and decontamination to help reduce cross-contamination risks that can lead to the spread of hospital acquired infections.

4. Inconspicuous seams

Proper joining is the most important phase of fabrication and installation. DuPont® joint Adhesive is a two-component adhesive that forms a “hard seam” that bonds Corian® together, resulting in inconspicuous seams and a smooth, continuous surface. There are no grooves or gouge lines to trap moisture that can lead to the growth of mould and mildew.

5. Solutions made to measure

DuPont™ Corian® offers an inherent formability that means it can be applied to almost any situation and solve any number of design challenges. Completely bespoke and fabricated by skilled craftsmen, Corian® can achieve all kinds of shapes and sizes, it can have a vast array of edge details, can be used vertically or horizontally, receive patterns and images via digital carving or sublimation printing.

An adjustment to open, workable [k]eword | Corian® means the best of all worlds when it comes to surfaces. Its seamless homogeneity gives it the quality of exotic high quality, its aesthetics that the noble stones, while its extraordinary workability means that Corian® can do anything wood can do...and on a much wider scale.
A walk through the hospital

The unique solid structure of DuPont™ Corian® makes it an ideal choice in a wide variety of healthcare settings. Not only does it look beautiful, it is non-porous and does not support microbial growth when cleaned properly. Corian® is low-maintenance, durable and easy to decontaminate - key performance qualities that help ensure surfaces retain their value over time.

1. **Main lobby and Admissions**

As the first point of contact for patients and families, DuPont™ Corian® can help create an inviting look in lobby and reception areas. With a wide variety of colours and textures to choose from, Corian® delivers superior durability for high traffic areas.

2. **Corridors**

Corian® offers a highly durable surface that can withstand frequent contact with beds, wheelchairs and medical equipment during patient transport. Whether used for wall protection or wall panels, it helps to create unique transitions for corridors that are both durable and aesthetically pleasing.

3. **Public Cloakrooms**

As healthcare facilities move toward hospitality inspired design, Corian® offers a unique combination of beauty and durability. With a non-porous surface that’s both easy to clean and renew, Corian® is an ideal choice for sinks, vanities, countertops and toilet partitions. It’s also easy to combine with other materials to create great designs for a premium, high-quality aesthetic that may help boost patient confidence and help improve workplace satisfaction for staff.

4. **Cafeteria and food services**

In addition to helping create beautiful, restaurant inspired settings, DuPont™ Corian® can be easily shaped and thermoformed to create unique countertops, tray slide, silverware holder and hotplate areas, designs with significantly less maintenance than natural stone or other materials.

5. **Operating rooms**

Whether used for wall cladding, counters or wash sinks for operating room personnel, DuPont™ Corian® delivers maximum design versatility in a non-porous surface that’s easy to clean and resists stains common to operating rooms such as blood, bloodline and Gentian’s violet. Thermoforming unique sink shapes helps create better access to the wash areas for both pre- and post-operation cleaning procedures.

6. **Exterior cladding**

The superior durability of Corian® withstands weather, creating rich, dramatic exterior facades that require less maintenance than other surfaces. Tough and long lasting, Corian® holds up under temperature extremes, and passes ANSI Z 124.3 test for colour fastness with its superior resistance to UV exposure.

7. **Patient rooms**

In patient rooms, DuPont™ Corian® delivers style and superior durability for bathroom basins, vanities, shower partitions, counters, bed tray tables, window ledges and desks. With a wide variety of colours and textures, Corian® makes it easy to achieve an aesthetically pleasing design that also gives patients confidence in cleanliness and attention to their care and well being. Corian® can also be used for mobile computer stations and patient bed headboards, with integrated technology for TV hookups, electrical plugs, oxygen systems and more.

8. **Nurses’ stations**

The design flexibility of Corian® makes it easy to design nurses’ stations that are organized and functional, as well as beautiful. Corian® can be shaped and thermoformed to create multiple workspaces at one station, and comes in a wide variety of colours that can be combined to form unique patterns and inlays. This helps increase visual interest in areas that are frequented by patients and creates an inviting space for healthcare staff. Computers and other technology can be integrated directly into Corian® and its durable non-porous surface makes it easy to remove everyday stains like permanent marker.

9. **Neonatal and pediatrics**

DuPont™ Corian® comes in many fun and bright colours to help stimulate early childhood development and create a welcoming environment. It can also be thermoformed into unique shapes to create “larger than life” pediatrics play areas. With superior durability, Corian® is also easy to clean and can stand up to the everyday demands of pediatrics areas, while also featuring inconspicuous seams that help prevent trapped dirt which may prevent the harboring of mould, mildew and bacteria. This sleek finish makes cleaning easy and helps to reduce the spread of infection. This is especially important for vulnerable patients.

10. **Testing areas and labs**

DuPont™ Corian® can be easily shaped and thermoformed to create virtually endless options for organization, storage and utility sinks in lab and testing areas. The continuous non-porous surface can stand up to chemicals without deteriorating, and it can resist stains from common lab agents including blood, plasma, Wright’s stain and X-ray developer. Functionally seamless surfaces prevent dirt becoming trapped which may harbor mould, mildew and bacteria. Not only helps protect laboratory workers, but can also help protect the integrity of testing by helping reduce the risk of potential sample contamination.
DuPont™ Corian® is your ultimate ally in preventing contaminations

Weather in the operating theatre, X-ray room, laboratory or patient bathroom, hygiene is of paramount importance. The advantages of a material that allows you to create almost anything - from one-piece seamless installations to grout-free wall-cladding and from hard-working countertops with renewable surfaces to stylish, easy-clean reception desks - cannot be overstated.

**Stain resistance and decontamination**
DuPont™ Corian® delivers superior stain resistance. In addition, Corian® can be easily cleaned of excessive levels of radioactive contamination.

**Nuclear medicine environments**
In laboratory tests, surfaces of Corian® contaminated with 14C, 3H, 35S and 32P radioisotopes were decontaminated to "unrestricted" levels using a Scotch-Brite™ abrasive pad and an approved radioactive decontaminant product. Repeated contamination/decontamination cycles were equally effective.

**X-ray environments**
Gentle sanding with fine sandpaper followed by treatment with an approved radioactive decontaminant product effectively reduces radioactive contamination to "unrestricted" levels in X-ray environments. Following this process, the contamination is reduced to below tolerance levels required for "free access" zones that do not require protective equipment. Corian® installations show no visual signs of discoloration or delamination like other materials do in X-ray environments.

DuPont™ Corian® does not provide protection from Gamma Rays in areas of high exposure to x-ray activity. Corian® should be used for decorative and hygiene purposes.

**Effective cleansing of HIV**
DuPont™ Corian® solid surface is a non-porous material that can be cleansed easily of the human immunodeficiency virus (HIV). Tests performed by the DuPont Applied Biotechnology Group show that high concentrations of HIV can be removed from the surface of Corian® by rinsing with a diluted solution of household bleach. A 10% solution of common bleach (0.5% sodium hypochlorite) killed all infectious HIV contamination on Corian®.

**Reduction of cross-contamination**
Corian® solid surfaces are non-porous and with proper cleaning can help reduce the possibility of cross-contamination in all high-use areas. Because they are non-porous and lack open joints, DuPont™ Corian® solid surfaces, when properly cleaned, do not promote the growth of mould or mildew and are easy to clean and disinfect using industry standard solutions such as DuPont™ RelyOn® disinfectants.

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Shapes without limits | If you can imagine it, Corian® can probably give form to it, while also performing to the standards you would expect of the ‘benchmark’ for countertops.

Healing colours for kids

The DuPont™ Corian® colour palette is the result of careful and intensive research and development and includes hues inspired by elements of nature - earth, water, air, metal, wood and fire. Many of the 100 colours in the palette are beautifully suited to healthcare environments as they offer either soothing, and calming tones to aid relaxation or alternatively, refreshing and energising hues, from soft tone-on-tone textures to reflective surfaces. This well-rounded palette provides colours that support the function and aesthetics of every space in the healthcare environment.

Beyond the extensive colour choice for DuPont™ Corian® there is a wealth of further design possibilities. For example, sublimation printing technology means that any digital image can be permanently transferred under the surface of Corian® to create a unique ‘wallpaper’ that is washable and will not peel.

Thermoforming

What makes Corian® such an innovative material is that it is thermoformable and can be manipulated in creative ways that are limited only by your imagination. Because Corian® is an acrylic-based material, it can be thermoformed in a variety of ways using either wood, synthetic or metal moulds at controlled temperatures. Design techniques using thermoforming differ, depending on the aesthetics desired. Corian® is a rare material that appears hard, but feels like soft leather or rubber while heated. Forms or objects can be wrapped with the softened Corian® creating interesting sculptured shapes. DuPont™ Corian® can be easily shaped by hydraulic presses or vacuum tables. This allows you to design an endless variety of shapes and forms - from single-piece basin and vanity units to laboratory countertops with coved splashbacks and from shaped reception desks to interior cladding and even curved walls. There are a variety of techniques to minimise costs.
DuPont™ Corian® is the Safe Choice

It is never worth compromising on peace of mind and performance. The wise choice is to invest in safety, hygiene, durability and resistance – and in materials, equipment and suppliers that you know will do the job...and keep on doing it for the long term. DuPont™ Corian® is a product you can count on.

Flammability—Class 1 fire rating or better

DuPont™ Corian® solid surface sheet has been evaluated in accordance with ANSI/UL Standard 723, “Test for Surface Burning Characteristics of Building Materials” (ASTM E84) by Underwriters Laboratories, Inc. (see chart below).

Surface comparison—fire rating typical results

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Flammability ratings are brand specific. Flammability may be impacted by individual product formulation. Natural stone is nonflammable.

Durable

Due to its composition, Corian® is tough and long-lasting, performing well in both abrasion and impact tests.

Surface comparison—durability typical results

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Products in each category are solid colours which generally have a gauge of approximately 5/16", a fiber loading 95% ATH and are not translucent in appearance.

DuPont™ Corian®: protective, versatile and resilient

DuPont™ Corian® delivers superior stain resistance over laminated surfaces or stone. Because Corian® can be renewed by scrubbing or sanding, most common healthcare stains can be easily removed.

An evaluation of the stain resistance properties of DuPont™ Corian® based on ANSI/ICPA SS-1-2001 Section 6.2 was conducted by the DuPont Building Innovations Research and Development Center. Several drops of each staining agent commonly found in healthcare facilities were placed on the surface of Corian® Cameo White then left for 72 hours. The Corian® solid surface was easily cleaned using a soft cloth and non-abrasive cleanser. No stains were visible on the cleaned surface.

Before | After
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blood | 
betadine | 
rust | 
spent X-ray developer fluid | 
Gentian’s violet | 
Wright’s stain | 
nail polish | 
black permanent marker | 
white | 
scrubbing up beautifully | 
when human health is at stake, everything needs to be fit for purpose. A curvaceous yet tough wash area made from Corian® stands for confidence in cleanliness.
**DuPont™ Corian® for heavy use and for many years to come**

Whether serving as a welcoming reception desk to make patients feel at ease - or working hard as a heavily-used countertop, Corian® keeps looking its best. Easy to maintain, it will not peel or stain and any accidental nicks or scratches can easily be removed.

Should any serious damage occur, Corian® can usually be fully repaired on site and so, unlike many other materials, will not need to be regularly replaced – or lived with when it’s past its prime. Because we have faith in our product (and many installations that are over 40 years old still look great today) we offer a meaningful warranty and ensure our customers get the quality and service they would expect of the original and leading solid surface.

**Our network ensures quality and service**

DuPont is a name you can depend on for quality and our commitment to our customers does not end with a sale. DuPont has a large network of trained and certified professionals to ensure that installation/fabrication goes smoothly so that end-customers are completely satisfied with their purchase - whether for residential or commercial applications.

**Customer satisfaction above all**

DuPont has developed a Quality Network for fabricators who are dedicated to delivering the very best standards for installation and service. Their primary goal and approach is to ensure that customers are highly satisfied with their DuPont™ Corian® installations.

**A network of professionals**

Members of the Quality Network are committed to ensuring that customers receive the highest quality product and service from ALL the companies in the supply chain. Its members are Certified Fabricators and Service Centres. Quality Network Service Centres are approved by DuPont for professional sanding and expert repair work. They can also handle installation work and offer maintenance contracts to commercial customers to ensure that their Corian® installation stays in prime condition.

A Corian® Quality Network logo has been created to support our brand and to emphasize our quality guarantee.

A Warranty to have faith in

Corian® is durable, resistant and renewable and we issue straightforward use & care guidelines which, if properly followed, ensure that installations stay looking good. However, because we know this is not a perfect world and the unforeseen can happen – and because we have every faith in a product with a proven performance over 40 years, DuPont offers two levels of warranty protection for Corian®. The basic product warranty is standard for all DuPont™ Corian® products and ensures the installation will be free of manufacturing defects for a period of 10 years after purchase. A higher level of coverage, the Limited Installed Warranty, which is only available when fabrication and installation are carried out by a Corian® certified fabricator, also ensures that the fabrication and installation will be free of defects.

We have a dedicated Warranty Centre who will handle any queries and if any repair work is required, will refer you to a skilled and approved Service Centre. Maintenance contracts with these Service Centres are also available.

**Upstands & Splashbacks**

There are two types of upstand available to work together with a countertop where it meets the wall, either square or coved. Full height ‘splashbacks’ can also be offered to further extend the benefits of Corian® as part of a design scheme. Silicone sealant is used to attach square upstands or splashbacks. DuPont™ joint adhesive is used to create a coved upstand or splashback, in which a smooth, rounded transition occurs between the countertop and wall, offering even greater ease of cleaning and hygiene, as well as a pleasingly sleek, flowing look. 6 mm sheet material is used to make full height splashbacks. Typically, a full height backsplash is adhered to the wall using silicone. 12 mm material may also be used to make a full height splashback if the desired sheet colour is not available in 6 mm thickness.

**Edge details**

A wide variety of stylish edge details are possible by exploiting the ability of DuPont™ Corian® to be seamlessly joined and easily worked. These include simple straight edge effects to rounded, bevelled, non-slip, bullnose and even indulgent for decorative effect. Any appearance from either slimline to an extra thick edge can be achieved to create whatever look is most suitable, both practically and aesthetically, for the design.

**On the edge of creativity**

Give your DuPont™ Corian® a distinct edge. These are just a few of the edge treatments available for your application. Or create your own! Feel free to inlay contrasting colours of Corian® or even other materials.