

How can Technical Service Departments react to the pressure of ever rising costs?

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Vienna General Hospital



Allgemeines Krankenhaus der Stadt Wien – Universitätskliniken (AKH)

In this building the researchdepartments with more than 15.000 qm are located and the kitchen, producing about 11.000 meals per a day



Green bed-tower with the surgical departments

All together 78 normal care stations and 21 intensive care departments

In these flat building you can find 61 outpatient departments an 51 operating theatres

Fire brigade

Landing place for the rescue helicopter

In this building 5 emergency power generators with a total output of 25 MVA are situated as well as the

- central control room and building management system,
- the sterile steam supply
- the central waste-collecting plant and
- the production and distribution of compressed air

Vienna General Hospital in figures



Doctors	1.448
Nurses	2.846
Medical Staff	1.618
Administration and Services .	2.925
VKMB – Technical Services	920
Total	9.757

Stationary Patients	103.000
Out-Patients	1,6 Mio.
OC	51
Number of beds normal care	1.783
Beds for Intensive Care	165
Intermediate Care	97
Day Care	92
Total No. of beds	2.137

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Vienna General Hospital in figures



- 31 University Clinics and institutes
- 42 Clinical Departments
- 61 outpatients' department
- 337 special outpatients' department
- 51 operating theatres
- 78 Normal care Stations
- 21 intensive care Stations
- 83 general Care Stations
- 1.792 Examination and treatment cubicles
- Catering: 11.000 meals a day
- Pharmacy with production facilities
- IT Centre
- Indoor parking for 2.500 cars

- 6 lecture halls & 40 practice rooms for 3.000 Students
- 11 Academies and 4 training schools for another 1.300 trainees
- 3 Libraries
- 37 Buildings
- With up to 25 floors
- 27.000 rooms
- 793.060 m² Net Occupiable Area
- 240.000 m² Surrounding Grounds







Technical services and biomedical equipment



VKMB maintains and administers buildings systems and equipment with a Current Replacement Value of 4.500 Mio. € and assures quality and reliability of services

Building Construction: 1,75 Mio. €

Biomedical Equipment: 620 Mio. € Technical Services & Systems: 2.200 Mio. €

- 52.800 pieces of biomedical equipment
- Building Management System with 54.700 DDC data points
- 2.200 beds, 103.000 stationary & 1.600.000 out-patients a year
- 1.500 Ventilation and air conditioning units
- 135 Elevators, 12 Escalators and moving walk ways
- Automated container transport system with 2.500 transports a day
- Small container transport system with 4.800 transports a day
- 110 cooling deep freezing and incubator rooms
- 7 emergency power generators with a total output of 30 MVA
- Water-, Steam-, Compressed Air and Medical Gasses distribution
- Garbage shoots with centralized automated garbage collection
- Fire detection system with 30.000 sensors
- 60.000 Sprinkler heads





Services provided by VAMED-KMB



• Building management

•	Maintenance	•	Accorditations for testing a	nd				
•	Biomedical Equipment mai	In a hospital this size, you rather ordinary to the most	n a hospital this size, you will find waste from the ather ordinary to the most sensitive.					
•	environmental managemer	We handle 54.000m3 or 5.30	Ve handle 54.000m3 or 5.300 tons of waste per year.					
•	Waste management 🛛 →	By means of waste separatio	n approximately 1/3 can be					
•	Energy management	In this hospital we handle all	projects, new constructions	chboard				
•	Project management	and modernization in general	. This has the advantage that					
•	Architectural design and pla	specialities can be integrated	into the projects.	and winter				
•	Dealing with regulatory aut	horities	services					
•	Training and consultant ser	vices •	Archiving of medical record	ds				
•	Quality management	•	Tracing inventory and main space data base	ntaining floor				
		•	24h a day call center and e services.	emergency				



Potential Risks

- I. Unforeseen breakdown of essential hospital equipment necessary for continuous hospital operation.
- II. The pressure of rising costs in the health care industry results in an ever increasing pressure on budgets of the technical departments.

Pressure of rising costs





Possible formulas for success



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Determining factors affecting SOPs

- Customer requirements regarding availability and reliability of systems and equipment and their impact on maintenance intervals
- Prerequisites for maintainability (such as availability of spare parts, accessibility of equipment)
- Monitoring systems and availability of data (such as vibration measurement, operating-time metering) – that means condition based maintenance
- Useful technical life-cycle of systems and equipment
- Manufacturer's maintenance guidelines





The individual scores are entered with values ranging from 1 to 10 (non existent to very high) – resulting in a final score in the range from 1 to 1.000

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Optimization Ventilation system, with adjustable blades





Up to now the service interval of 295 ventilators was 5 years.

Excerpt from the proposed SOP optimisation:

- Modification of bearings
- Brass sleeves for membrane cover
- Dirt repelled coating of ventilator blades
- Improvement of lubrication system
- Based on the measures taken, the service interval could be increased from 5 years to 10 years.

Team bonus: € 6.108.-

Cost savings: € 24.436.-



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Decrease in the cost of maintenance required for 350 axial ventilators

Risk-based Maintenance





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Triggers of weak-point analysis



- Benchmark Gap (undesirable changes)
- Break down analysis
- Monitoring work orders (CMMS, CAFM), shift records, etc.
- Results from Facility Audits
- Customer complaints
- Insurance claims
- Comprehensive systematic weak-point analysis with specialized tools, essentially consisting of:
 - Stock-taking (listing all systems and equipment)
 - Quantitative and qualitative assessment of equipment failure
 - conditions assessment and analysis of all facts leading to common failure, where necessary: find solutions
 - Take action
 - Monitor results
 - Within the VAMED-KMB, the systematic weak-point analysis is regulated and defined in process flow charts and Standard Operating Procedures.



- Securing and improving availability and reliability of facilities for the long term
- Reduction of breakdown- frequency and / or extent of damage
- Improve productive capacity of technical services department
- Controlled change of key performance indicators (such as maintenance per unit)
- Derive / adjust maintenance guidelines and strategy
- Reduction in service costs
- Targeted equipment and plant improvement
- Assessment of investment, renewal and replacement requirements
- Rethink previous "make or buy" decisions
- Aiding long term staff development and planning

Spiral-type hose guard





Adding missing hose guards

Sample of implementation



Ad Hoc maintenance requirements of pneumatic control system hoses



OF2 NB - pneumatic control system





Bonus payments to staff members:

For all actually adapted proposals, which are economically justified (where the benefit can be calculated), a bonus is paid to the staff submitting the proposal. The staff receives a bonus of 25% based on the proven benefit in the first year.

This rule applies to all proposals, whether savings are generated only once or whether continuous savings are achieved.

Bonus = $0,25 \times (\text{Savings} - 0,5 \times \text{cost of implementation})$



Renovation of Showers



After long term intensive use, the shower tubs corroded heavily under cover strips and tiles. The planned renewal and replacement was economically not feasible.

The proposal was: Remove shower tubs and tiles and replaced them with a jointless multi-layer epoxy coating in a new and appealing design.

The result: a cost-effective, easy to clean and durable replacement. In the meantime 250 units have been rebuilt.





1st year benefit: € 171.508.-

Continuous Improvement Process Statistic 2003 to 2010



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What is Risk?







If we are unsure what will happen and furthermore we are not aware what is the probability of occurrence: "is called uncertainty..."

Brühwiler (2003) defines: But risk is "...the knowledge of a potential threat for a system or an organization, the frequency (expectation of occurrence) and consequence on a system or an organization"



Conducting facility audits

- Analyzing system parameters and actual customer requirements
- Examining the Maintenance Strategy actually in place
- Questioning optimization and improvements that have been implemented
- Verification of energy management results
- Check and monitor the quality & condition of service and repair equipment
- Review all efforts to sustain long-term maintenance and plant operations
- Check, whether Systems and Equipment documentation is complete and current
- Review emergency preparedness plans and standby plants, systems and equipment



The aim of facility audits

- Highlight potential for improvement and optimization as well as deviation from agreed standards
- Promote the maintenance of service security
- Support efforts to secure economically justifiable long-term systems and equipment operation
- Aid the planning and controlling process of maintenance and building management
- Intensive effort on the part of the "system owner" (of the one in charge of a system or equipment) to come to terms with the contents of the facility audit (including qualification of staff, standards, documentation etc.)

Central Control Room





Building Management System:By the end of 2009:54.700 data points





The building management system controls the technical equipment and systems of the Vienna General Hospital and monitors some of the biomedical equipment. Monitoring and operating the Systems without the Building Management System in an orderly & controlled manner is nearly impossible.

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Building Management System



Original design: 1986 -1987
1987 -1989Construction and implementation:
1987 -1989Commissioning: 1989Technology: from the 80's
Age: 19 to 21 yearsAge: 19 to 21 yearsActually in use: 19 years
Total cost of renewal and replacement project: . € 3,825 Mio.Project implementation in 3 steps over a period of 6 years

"If the renewal and replacement of the BMS – central computer unit is not planned and implemented in time, a breakdown can lead to significant problems in hospital operations."

Some samples and risks:

Failure in monitoring biomedical devices such as freezers and deep freezers (potential damage in the millions, due to loss of scientific research material and data, endangering the medical supplies for patients if a large number of stored blood units become unusable)
Unnoticed loss of electric power in case of UPS failure and subsequent loss of data and intensive care monitoring

•Loss of utility and media monitoring capability (Gasses, including medical gasses, potable water, sterile steam, sterilisation etc.)

•HVAC - Recovery after power loss was extremely time-consuming as each unit required a "If the renewal and replacement of the BMS – central computer unit is not planned and

implemented in time, a breakdown can lead to significant problems in hospital operations."

Sterile Steam Supply





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Sample: Steam for Sterilization

For the following areas, the hospital requires a continuous supply of steam for sterilization, 24 hours 365 days

- central sterilization
- trauma surgery
- sterilization of medical instruments in the Operating Theatre No. 5

Situation at the outset:

2 steam boilers, 10,5 MW each, produce primary steam. Boilers are equipped with 2 burners each.

Natural Gas serves as primary energy. In case gas is not available, the boilers can be operated on fuel oil. In accordance with regulations, feed pumps and condensate pumps have redundant secondary systems.

Sterile Steam Supply





Measures taken:

For the 3 vital areas:

- central sterilization,
- trauma surgery,
- sterilization of medical instruments OT no. 5

a secondary steam pipe system, together with all necessary elements such as valves, etc. were added to the existing single pipe system.

Sterile Steam Supply





1.) Risk of losing sterile steam supply **before** measures were taken

2.) Risk of losing sterile steam supply **after** measures were taken

Audit report – steam for sterilization

Reliability and Availability of the System?

- a) What are the requirements of the user with regard to availability and reliability of the system (Steam for Sterilization)?
- b) What parameters (with regard to availability and reliability) are the Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs) of the service provider based on?
- c) Did requirements change over the last 5 years?
- d) Redundant systems, Standby Systems, Back Up available?

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Staff Qualification Requirements. Is the Maintenance Staff sufficiently qualified?

- a) Is the present staff qualified?
- b) Is alternate qualified staff available?
- c) Is an adequate further training program in place?

Is the maintenance program effective?

What are the Key Performance Indicators? Is an internal monitoring system in place?



Considering the overall age of the Facility, what proposals for renewal and replacement are on the table?

- a) Factors and considerations:
- b) Are projects and / or proposals already submitted?

a) Storage on site? Delivery time known?

Monitoring: How are deviations from the desired state detected?

- a) Regular inspection and measurements? Interval:
- b) Building Management System, semi permanent or continuous monitoring?
- c) Are observations documented?
- e) How are customer complaints handled?

Risk Management





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Management by objective - nonmedical compressed air



Responsible for plant /system operation: Mr. Roland Stangl; Targets for the year 2003

Reliability of services									
	Target	Unit	Target for the year	Tracking	How (Method of tracking)				
	Securing the compressed air supply	M3/h/bar	2500-2700/8,5	Continuous	Diagram 1				
	Prepare a new list of spare parts	-	Concept	One time	Release of concept				

Risk Reduction (reduction of break downs)

Delighility of complete

Target	Unit	Target for the year	Tracking	How (Method of tracking)
Reliability of screw type compressor	%		Continuous	Diagram 2
Reliability of piston compressor	%		Continuous	Diagram 2
Ad Hoc maintenance, break downs, cases per subsystem	cases	Previous year -5%	monthly	Evaluation CAFM - System

Life Cycle Costs, warranty of long term economic plant operation

Target	Unit	Target for the year	Tracking	How (Method of tracking)
well-balanced operation (uniform operation)	%	+ / - 20%	3 month period	Diagram 3
Maintenance expenditures (Staff, Material, Contractors) per subsystem	€	Previous year -5%	Continuous	Diagram 4
Efforts to achieve improvements	hours	150 hours maximum	Per year	Evaluation CAFM - System

Maintaining the Documentation: System and Equipment documentation and history files (BMS & CAFM)

Target	Unit	Target for the year	Tracking	How (Method of tracking)
Update system and equipment documentation		monthly	sample	Self assessment / technical audit
Proper upkeep of system and equipment history files		monthly	sample	Self assessment / technical audit

Clean, orderly, safe, innovative

Target	Unit	Target for the year	Tracking	How (Method of tracking)
Regulatory compliance		monthly	sample	Self assessment / technical audit
Accident prevention (near accidents?, safeguards in place?)		monthly	sample	Self assessment / technical audit
Condition of equipment and systems (orderly, clean etc.)	complaints	0	sample	Inspection & photo - documentation

Excerpt; further points: efficiency, effectiveness, energy consumption etc.

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- Reduction from a generous (all in) comprehensive service agreements to a standard service contract adapted to fit operational requirements
- Switching to "pay per use" compensation models on the basis of actual utilization (for example: x-ray institute)
- Technology cooperation in the area imaging equipment in connection with comprehensive modernization -> as elaborated in a recent article in the magazine "Krankenhaus – Technik und Management" August 2009



During the negotiation for the purchase of new equipment, not only the purchase price in the offer was considered. For the acceptance of tender, the following facts were considered as well:

- •Are adaptations required, is a new installation required
- •How is the "Estimating Useful Life" developing
- •Which updates and upgrades are included in the contract
- •What is the guaranteed "Up-Time" (reliability, availability of equipment)
- •How fast are technical support and services available (reaction time)
- •How "User friendly" and "Patient friendly" are service periods and timing

For a 10-Year long term contract, it is essential to have access to the newest technology. In addition to comprehensive hardware and software updates and upgrades it is important to maintain a guaranteed functional Quality and long term spare part delivery.

The usual cycle if Investment, maintenance, major repairs, renewal of parts and updates was converted in a yearly "lump sum contract" covering investment and comprehensive maintenance over a period of 10 years.



Constant lump sum instead of investment peaks



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Renegotiation of maintenance contracts

• 12 maintenance contracts for angiography equipment

Savings

approximately 40%

Cancellation of comprehensive service agreement Begin of standard service contract in 2003 (same successful performance & quality of service No "user / customer complaints)

• 7 maintenance contracts for computer tomography equipment

Cancelation of comprehensive service agreement Standard service contract (including tube) € 50.190

approximately 24%



Renegotiation of maintenance contracts



4 MRI scanner contracts (3 * 3 T, 1 * 1,5 T)

Offer for comprehensive service agreement $x \in /$ per year and scannerNegotiation result(Without coil and Interface station) $y \in /$ per year and scanner

after due consideration -> Training of 2 staff members € 70.000.-

Projected result starting 2010 (per unit)

- Standard service agreement
- In house service (staff)
- Material
- Service key

approximately € 50.000.-

Projected savings approximately € 20.000.- per year and scanner

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Common aim of the client, VAMED-KMB and in a facilitating role an external expert:

- Development and implementation of service level agreements (SLAs) as well as –
- Measurable standard for equipment conditions assessment and the presentation of results, based on actual practice and previously agreed definitions.
- Reliability standards based on the requirements of the hospital (opening hours and up-time requirements)
- Operation & service parameters to be adhered to
- Permissible down time
- Permissible response time and time limits for rectification of deficiencies and repairs
- Regulations and Standard Operating Procedures for Ad Hoc and Periodic Maintenance (user information procedure, commencement and completion notification, agreement on affirmation of schedules, quality of training)



Rectification within the following periods:

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Vienna General Hospital Development of total waste amounts 2000 – 2010 (in Tons)





Vienna General Hospital Development of hazardous hospital waste amounts 1995 – 2010 (in Tons)





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Heating MWh Quelle Borschkegasse 8B + 8BMax - Sub Jan Feb Mar Apr Mai Jun J ul Aug Sep Okt Nov Dez JAHR



Sample building

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Benchmarking between buildings and building sections:

- Full air-conditioning (FAC), including humidification dehumidification
- Partial air-conditioning (PAC), heating, cooling
- Ventilation only (V)

2008	Consumption and costs per year													
Bauteil	Units		pre-tax area	Ele	Electrical		Heating		Potable water		Cooling			
Nr.	Name		m²	MWh	kWh/m²	MW	n kWh/m²	r	n³	m ³ /m ²		MWh	kWh/m²	
	Full air- conditioning	, , ,			309,1		315,6			1,3			165,1	
	Partial air- conditioning	, 1			63,3		147,8			0,6			24,0	
	Ventilation only	, , ,			34,6		94,1			0,3			8,6	

Cost of air conditioning





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