

# Healthcare

Whether in a hospital, surgery or treatment centre, all surface materials must meet stringent safety standards to prevent the spread of infection. With its non-porous, seamless and ultra-hygienic design, Staron® offers designers and facility managers the choice and flexibility they desire to create spaces that promote recovery and healing.



## Setting the right tone

Creating an inviting reception is vital in any building, but in a healthcare setting it takes on greater importance still. It needs to comfort and nurture the second a patient arrives. Colour, shape and pattern all have a key role to play, which is why many Staron® finishes have been specifically designed with input from colour therapy specialists.



### The healing power of design

The Starlight Children's Foundations mission is "To brighten the lives of seriously ill children and their families". Key to achieving this is creating environments that promote healing by being visually stimulating, yet stringently hygienic. A perfect example is the Foundation's Express Room, where Staron® wall cladding was used to help create an internal garden that brought the outside world inside to create a hub of fun and distraction.





### Taking care of everyone

Few spaces need to work harder than examination rooms. For patients, they need to be a place of instant reassurance. For medical practitioners, practicality is key. While cleaners seek a solution that's easy to sterilise. Staron® provides an answer all parties will care for, thanks to its soothing hues and ultra-hygienic design.



### Get well sooner

It's easy to overlook the integral role design plays in patient recovery. For example, calming colour schemes and flowing shapes are proven to lift spirits, which in turn aids rehabilitation. Of course, form must never compromise function. Fortunately, Staron® offers a non-porous solution that stops infection and helps kick-start recovery.





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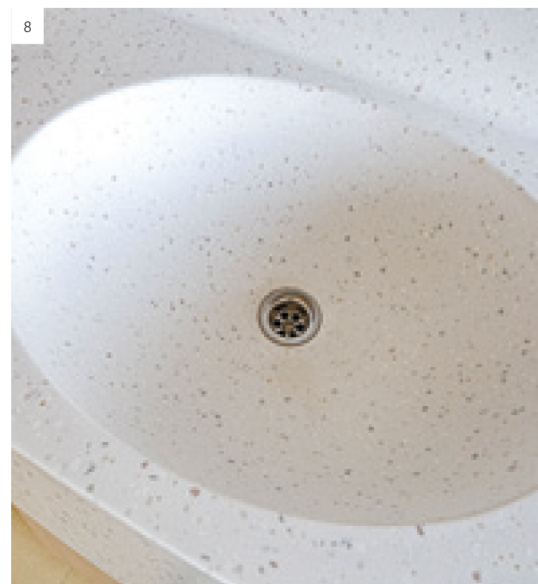


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### Awash with innovation

In a healthcare setting where the spread of bacteria can be life threatening, the humble sink takes on an altogether more important role. It needs to be effortless to sanitize, unaffected by moisture and provide an environment where no pathogen can propagate. Staron's non-porous, seamless design provides a perfect solution.









## University of Queensland, Australia

Rather fittingly, very few environments are more testing on work surfaces than a laboratory. So when designing a new teaching facility within the University of Queensland's Great Court Complex, a hardwearing and versatile material was required that could withstand the rigours of daily experiments. The solution, was Staron®.

While chosen for its stain, chemical and heat-resistant qualities, the seamless and non-porous design of Staron® was also a key deciding factor, as the new facility would primarily be used as a wet laboratory. Such spaces require a high level of containment to ensure the safety of everyone inside, however those involved with the project were also keen to create a learning environment free of restriction. Challenge accepted.

Aspen Glacier Staron® surfaces were used for everything from desks and foot rests, to wall linings and custom-built sinks, providing the design flexibility and clinically sharp aesthetic required. The final result was a future-focussed, state-of-the-art teaching space where both students and teachers can excel daily.