

3 Key Trends Leading the Way to Smarter, More Connected Hospitals

The results from Zebra's Global Healthcare Vision Study reveal key insights into hospital industry trends.

1 Intelligent Workflow Automation Is on the Horizon

Devices dedicated to connecting teams or collecting real-time data support daily workflows.

Decision-makers plan to implement workflow automation over the next five years, especially in these three areas.



plan to improve management of the supply chain



plan to better orchestrate emergency rooms and operating rooms




plan to enhance visibility into the location of critical equipment and medical assets



2 Real-Time Intelligence Enables Better Patient Care

65% of clinicians said they spend too much time locating necessary medical equipment or supplies, and 83% viewed real-time data as essential to optimal patient care.

Most decision-makers plan to implement location solutions in the following areas.

	Within the next year	Within five years
Patient flow	80%	99%
Medication tracking	78%	99%
Patient security, patient monitoring, staff operational efficiency	77%	98%
Equipment tracking	75%	99%

3 Clinical Mobility Is Gaining Traction

Nearly half of decision-makers already provide their staff with purpose-built, hospital-owned devices.

Top considerations for selecting mobile devices



Disinfectant-ready



Security features



Durability and ruggedness



Remote management capabilities

More investment in the right technologies is needed, and healthcare-ready devices are preferred over allowing employees to use their own devices at work.

1 in 2 decision-makers provide employees with hospital-owned, healthcare-ready devices

2 out of 3 decision-makers agree their hospital is not investing enough to maximize staff efficiency

7 in 10 decision-makers plan to extend mobile device implementations to nearly every department

