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## **KSI Takes Convenience to a New Level with the Introduction of 1700 Series Top-Lit Keyboards for Healthcare**

*Integrated top-lighting adds one more convenience to KSI's disinfect-able, desktop security LinkSmart® Keyboard with San-a-Key® Software*

Oakland, CA (July 6, 2017) – Key Source International (KSI) today announced the debut of [1700 Series Top-Lit Keyboards](#) for use by clinicians in darkened hospital rooms. KSI's new innovation enables efficient input while leaving patients undisturbed.

Perfect for bedside care, KSI's top-lit series features integrated micro-LEDs that bathe each key in soft illumination. Patients are left to rest while clinicians are allowed to maintain workflow in darkened conditions. Three levels of illumination are accessed with successive depressions of a conveniently-positioned on-off button. Twenty LEDs wash the keyboard surface with gentle light that facilitates efficient input. The low profile, full travel keys of 1700 series keyboards are easy to clean, speed up data entry, and enable quiet, unobtrusive care.



Several important studies point to patient sleep deprivation during hospital stays as being of major concern to the medical community, with a high proportion of patients reporting sleep loss due to environmental factors such as excessive lighting.

“Our top-lit LinkSmart® keyboard is the solution for maintaining productivity of healthcare workers and supporting best practices for improved care while safeguarding the desktop,” said KSI President & CEO Philip Bruno. “Top-lighting is just the latest company innovation that maximizes functionality of the 1700 series Technology Top Strip.”

Central to the utility of 1700 series keyboards is the KSI Technology Top Strip that holds a variety of integrated mix-and-match security and infection control component options, including the company's patented, award-winning LinkSmart® cleaning button. An end user needs only push the distinctive, red [LinkSmart® button](#) to disengage keys and prevent the input of errant data. Using approved germicidal wipes, the surface is disinfected during a brief cleaning cycle before keys reengage for resumption of normal input. Download of KSI's optional [San-a-Key®](#) software adds access to scheduled cleaning,



onscreen end user cleaning prompts, an animated cleaning aid, plus powerful analytics that comprise a total infection control program. With [San-a-Key®](#), clinicians are now able to determine when, where and by whom a KSI top-lit keyboard was cleaned on an enterprise-wide basis.



Top Strip integration of RFIDeas® dual band card reader makes contactless “tap-in, tap-out” logon-logoff fast and easy. When combined with an embedded silicon-surfaced pro-grade 500dpi Crossmatch™ fingerprint sensor, customers are ensured irrefutable dual authentication that is [ePrescribe](#) and [FIPS 201](#) compliant. The RFIDeas® card reader and Crossmatch™ sensor are fully compatible with leading SSO and EMR applications.

“The 1700 series is an all-in-one product, truly unique in the healthcare marketplace,” said Product Manager Deanne VanKirk. “No single device goes further in protecting the clinical desktop from infection, and internal and external cyber threats. With the added convenience of top-lighting, our product team has thought of everything in helping clinicians maintain peak performance – all through one USB port.”

As with all KSI product lines, the company stands behind its 1700 series with a three-year keyboard warranty, an unmatched value in the healthcare industry and an investment in quality.

[Key Source International](#), headquartered in Oakland, California, has been relied upon to deliver high-end hardware and software technology solutions to companies around the world for more than 35 years. KSI is proud to partner with leading software and hardware providers, including [Imprivata](#), [Caradigm](#), [RFIDeas](#), [HealthCast](#), [Epic](#) and [CDW Healthcare](#), in offering secure, compliant and scalable solutions that are [HIPAA](#) and [DEA ePrescribe](#) compliant. KSI’s LinkSmart® keyboard system powered by San-a-Key® software took top honors as winner of [AHE’s 2016 Innovation of the Year, sponsored by American Hospital Association®](#), in recognition of its ability to challenge existing expectations of performance through innovation. KSI has a long history of servicing the retail point-of-sale and financial sectors with password replacement, biometrics, near field communication, contact-less smart card, and legacy HID badge technology. The company’s goal is to enhance the user experience, combat infection that impacts patient care, and secure the desktop while meeting government regulation with total customer satisfaction.

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