



French EHPAD houses  
place their trust in  
SMARTair® wireless  
access control

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# SMARTair put security managers in control of important doors in real time

## Project

**Company:** Résidence Sainte Anne care home  
([www.residencesainteanne.com](http://www.residencesainteanne.com))

**Location:** Lyon, France

**Devices installed:** 30 SMARTair® wireless escutcheons & wall readers, including SMARTair® keypad wall reader on main entrance door.

**ASSA ABLOY Brand:** JPM

**RFID technology:** Mifare®

**Year of installation:** 2017

Do you know that?

50% proportion of French care homes built over 25 years ago, many of which need renovation, according to property experts Knight Frank

*"The SMARTair system helps us to be sure our residents are safely on the premises,"*  
adds Olivier Debruyne at Résidence Sainte Anne.

## Challenge

Résidence Sainte Anne is a private, independent EHPAD, providing approved residential care to 67 older people in Lyon, France. Its site spreads over multiple buildings, some over a century old, others from the 1980s and 1990s. During a large-scale renovation of the entire premises, it was decided to seek a replacement for an old, outdated, card-cased wired access system.

## Key Requirements

- dependable, proven access control so facility managers can monitor who goes where around the site, and when.
- a user-friendly access solution for easy operation by facilities administration staff.
- a system which could be installed cost-effectively during general renovation work being carried out in the buildings.
- the flexibility to combine different management systems within the same installation, to suit the security needs of different doors.

## Solution

Like many modernised EHPAD homes in France, Résidence Sainte Anne puts its trust in SMARTair. Managers chose a combination of SMARTair Wireless Online and Update On Card management as the optimal solution. Important doors including to staff / technical areas, and sensitive rooms such as the infirmary, are protected with a SMARTair wireless escutcheon or wall reader. Because SMARTair devices are wireless and battery-operated, installation and operation are cost-efficient. The SMARTair reader at the main entrance is equipped with both RFID reader and keypad, to add an extra layer of security at such a critical access point. Using the intuitive SMARTair software, staff schedule it to remain open between 6am and 11pm, with a valid credential and/or PIN required at other times from the home's 42 employees, 12 regular independent contractors and numerous external maintenance workers. For easy monitoring and control in real time, critical doors on the ground and lower-ground floors are managed by the fast SMARTair Pro Wireless Online system. Real-time functionality also enables remote opening from a smartphone or computer. Other doors are managed via SMARTair Update On Card.