# **AWARE<sup>®</sup>**

# Alarm Management and Reporting

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Turning Alarm Fatigue Into Alarm Sense

## ( Eliminating Alarm Fatigue

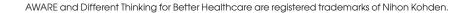
- Assists in identifying and eliminating nuisance alarms, allowing healthcare professionals to focus on patient care
- Aids hospitals in achieving The Joint Commission's national patient safety goals on alarm management
- Provides meaningful and actionable patient-centric reports
- Promotes meaningful alarm management across the organization

### 🗐 Becoming Alarm Savvy

- The AWARE system assists hospitals by producing insightful reports with quantitative data related to arrhythmia, vital signs and technical alarms
- The system aggregates and segments data by:
  - Type
  - Department
  - Shift
  - Duration
- The AWARE system builds upon strides taken by Nihon Kohden to aid in the reduction of nuisance alarms, by using the following strategies:
  - Leveraging alarm levels crisis, warning and advisory to customize alarms based on patient type and acuity
  - Increasing the advisory alarm time from 20 seconds to 120 seconds based on need
  - Providing customizable escalation alarms
  - Adding a programmable smoothing algorithm for SpO<sub>2</sub>, heart rate and respiratory rate



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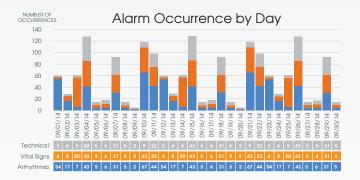
#### **Helping You Help Patients**

- Nihon Kohden's team of Nurse Executives assists hospitals in developing alarm management strategies and best practices models
- The specialized team works with organizations to do the following:
  - Fully assess baseline alarm systems
  - Analyze data on high-frequency alarms to identify potential areas for reduction
  - Help define alarm strategies that meet unit-specific needs
  - Review alarm settings for goal-based prioritization
  - Collaborate on data-guided changes to reduce alarms and retain clinically targeted settings
  - Reassess and evaluate effectiveness of changes designed to support patient-centric care
  - Quantify improvements by analyzing before and after alarm management comparison reports

#### System Configuration

AWARE alarm management and reporting is an application that is part of the NK-HiQ<sup>™</sup> Enterprise Gateway platform. It includes all required software to track, aggregate, segment and analyze alarms emitted by Life Scope<sup>®</sup> patient monitors.

As the backbone of the Nihon Kohden Patient Monitoring System, the NK-HiQ Enterprise Gateway consolidates multiple applications into a single, powerful server — saving time, space and money.



#### Total Alarm Occurrence by Shift



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