

# ListenTALK

APPLICATION GUIDE: HANDS-FREE COLLABORATION

## Surgical Center



Traditional two-way communication technology doesn't meet the needs of all training or collaborative environments.

In a medical center, the surgical team needs to communicate with the support team or students evaluating the medical procedure from an adjacent room. The problem with traditional two-way technology in a surgical center is the constraints associated with having to hold or wear a transmitter or receiver.

### Challenges:

- The surgical team must be hands-free—there is no way to push a button or wear any equipment.
- Two-way communication is a necessity and the communication path must be reliable and consistent.
- Superior audio quality to ensure that all communications are clear.
- To comply with government confidentiality regulations the communication must be secure without being hacked or disrupted.
- Must be simple to use.

### Solution

ListenTALK collaborative two-way communication system is the first product of its kind to work hands-free in a secure, medical environment.

### Here's How it Works:

In the surgical room a shotgun microphone is used to pick up the voices from the surgical team, and a speaker is used to hear the support team from the adjacent room.

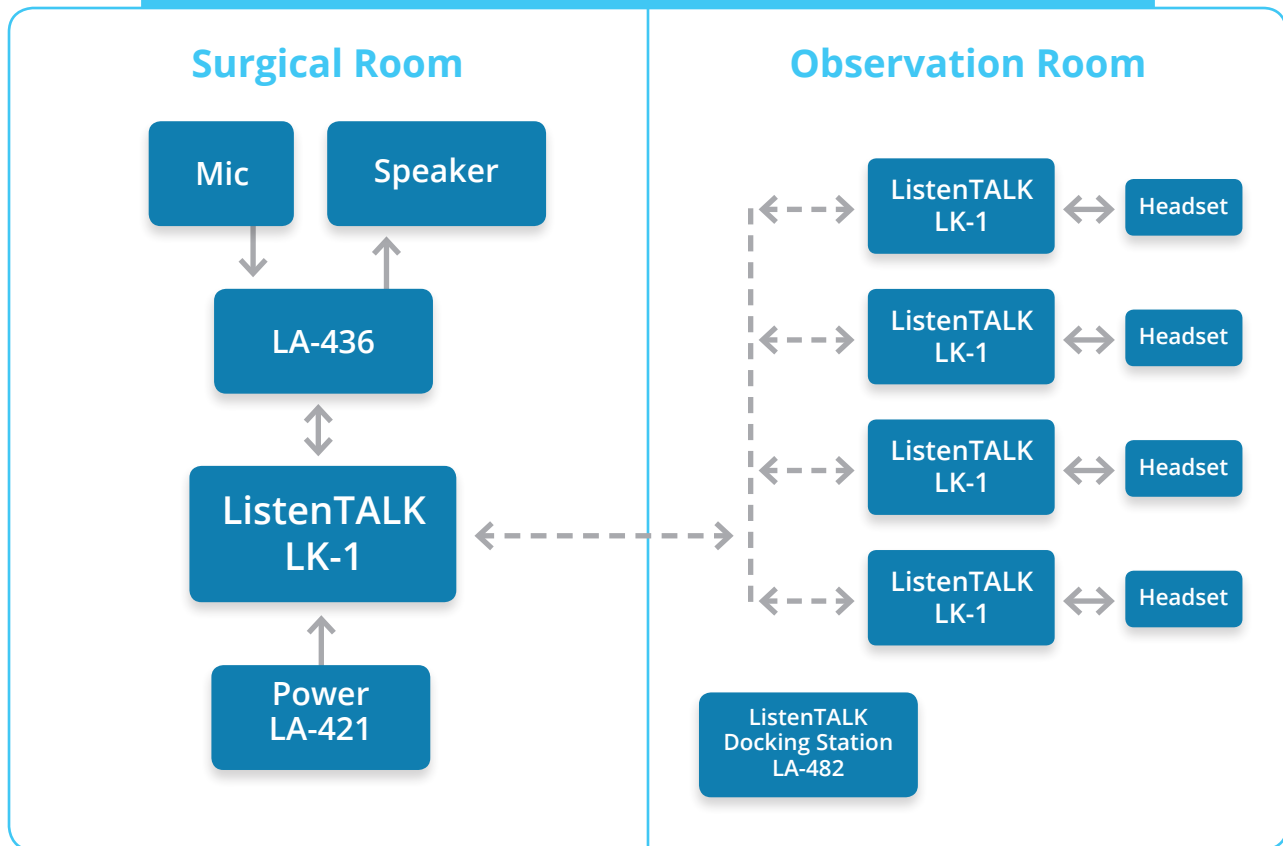
Both the mic and the speaker are connected to a ListenTALK LK-1 transceiver that wirelessly sends and receives two-way, high quality, encrypted audio between the surgical team and support team.

In the support room, each of the team members uses a LK-1 transceiver either on their belt or on a lanyard with a headset earphone/microphone allowing them to hear clearly and be understood when speaking. When the support team members want to talk, they simply push the TALK button.

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## Simple Workflow

- 1 Before surgery, the support team collects the LK-1 from the charger, the unit automatically turns on when picked up.
- 2 The support team puts on the headset/microphone and attaches the unit to their belt, or it can be worn around the neck with a lanyard.
- 3 \*When the support team wants to talk, they simply push the TALK button, when finished they push the TALK button again.
- 4 In the surgical room, the communication path is always open, the surgical team listens and talks freely.
- 5 When finished the support team returns the LK-1 units to the charging tray, once connected they automatically turn off and begin to charge.

\* Note, only one support team member can talk at a time to ensure clear communication. When the button is pressed while someone is talking, the talk path ends and is redirected to the person who pressed the button.

## Technical Description



In the surgical room, a shotgun microphone is aimed directly at the surgical team to ensure excellent audio quality.

Note, an omni-directional microphone is not recommended because it picks up the sound from the entire room.



The surgical team hears the audio from the support team via a self-powered speaker located away from the microphone to provide acoustic isolation.



A ListenTALK LK-1 transceiver is connected to the shotgun microphone and the self-powered speaker using the LA-436 Microphone Input/Headphone Output cable. The LK-1 is powered from the LA-421 USB Power Supply and USB cable.



The LK-1 is mounted to the side of the self-powered speaker.

## Equipment List

Quantity	Part Number	Description	Where to Use
1	Sourced	Phantom-Power PSU	Surgical Room
1	Sourced	Shotgun Microphone	Surgical Room
1	Sourced	Shotgun Microphone to male 3.5mm cable	Surgical Room
1	Sourced	Self-Powered Speaker	Surgical Room
1	Sourced	Self-Powered Speaker to male 3.5mm cable	Surgical Room
1	LK-1	ListenTALK Transceiver	Surgical Room
1	LA-436	ListenTALK LK-1 to two input/output female 3.5mm connectors	Surgical Room
1	LA-421	USB Power Supply	Surgical Room
1	LA-422	USB Power Supply Cable	Surgical Room
1	Sourced	Power Strip	Surgical Room
1	Sourced	Heavy-duty Mounting Velcro	Surgical Room
4	LK-1	ListenTALK Transceiver including rechargeable battery and lanyard	Support Room
4	LA-452	Headset 2 Microphone/Earphone	Support Room
1	LA-482	4-Unit LK-1 Docking/Charging Station	Support Room