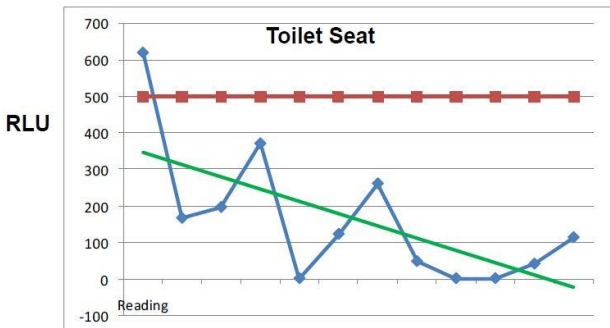
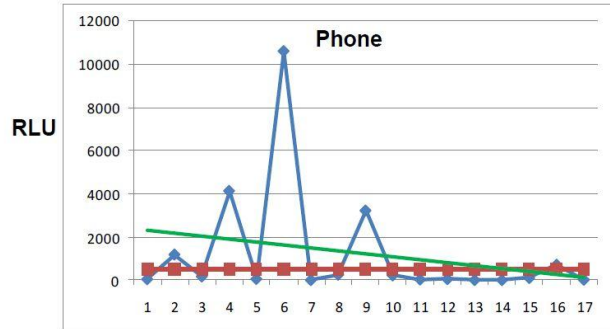
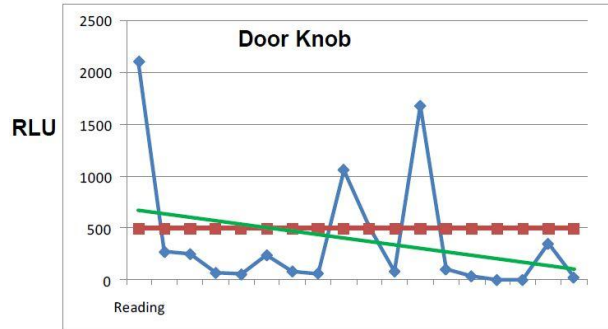
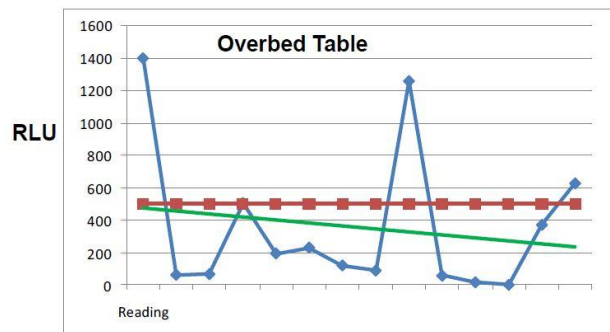
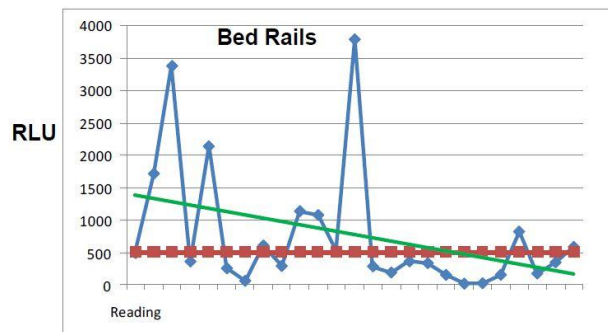


ATP test results for one Southern California hospital using the AccuPoint HC system over a three-month period in 2009 and 2010.



A Southern California hospital adopted the AccuPoint HC system in late 2009 for verifying and tracking their cleaning effectiveness in patient rooms. Five test sites were identified for their high-touch and high-risk value. They included the patient bed rails, overbed table, telephone, door knob to the patient rest room and the toilet seat in the patient restroom. The results were compiled in the AccuPoint HC instrument and downloaded to the Data Manager HC software program for further analysis. The charts below illustrate the results by test site over the three-month period and are compared to an established fail threshold (magenta line) and a trend line (in green).



Discussion:

Test results clearly show a trend toward both more consistent and lower scores over the three month period. This would indicate an improvement in both the effectiveness and consistency of cleaning efforts. When asked for an explanation on why the test results had improved, the Environmental Services Director stated, “the key is training and constant communication with all hospital staff”.

