

## HTC VIVE PARTNERS WITH PNY TECHNOLOGIES TO OFFER NEW SECURE, PROFESSIONAL-GRADE VR SOLUTION

*VIVE Pro Secure is designed for privacy and security in classified environments*

**Seattle, WA – October 1, 2020** – HTC VIVE®, the leader in premium virtual reality (VR), today announced an exclusive partnership with PNY Technologies to distribute the new [VIVE Pro Secure](#) headset in North America. The new VIVE Pro Secure system is designed to meet the specific privacy and security requirements of classified environments that require Authority to Operate (ATO), such as government agencies and organizations. This professional-grade VR system provides all the benefits and features of the award-winning VIVE Pro, including top-tier graphics, premium audio and SteamVR™ room-scale tracking, in addition to hardware modifications that restrict all radios, cameras, and wireless communication functions for secure performance.

Use-cases for VR in [government organizations](#) have multiplied over the years and continue to grow as agencies adapt many of the best practices deployed in the private sector for use in training, data visualization, and manufacturing, among other applications. However, one of the major barriers to any technology adoption for organizations that require ATO is access to hardware that meets specific security and privacy requirements. The new Vive Pro Secure is a first-of-its-kind system that includes hardware modifications to ensure optimal performance while restricting all radios, cameras, and wireless communication functions for secure performance.

“Our enterprise customers using Vive Pro and Vive Pro Eye solutions already benefit from leveraging VR—including reduced costs and time spent on various tasks such as employee training, design, and data analysis,” said Daniel O’Brien, General Manager, HTC Americas. “Now we can offer those benefits and the same professional-grade VR experience to classified environments who require the utmost in security and privacy with Vive Pro Secure.”

“PNY is looking forward to our new, strategic partnership with HTC, being the exclusive HTC Vive Pro Secure partner throughout North America,” said Steven Kaner, PNY’s Sr. Vice President, Sales and Marketing. “As the only enterprise, government and military grade secure VR headset with ATO, HTC’s Vive Pro Secure allows PNY to open up a key segment of the expanding VR professional marketplace and will complement and extend our extensive professional graphics product portfolio.”

In addition to the secure hardware modifications, Vive Pro Secure includes access to the offline SteamVR library, which allows installation in a secure environment without connecting to the internet.

Even if a machine is connected, the installer will not send or receive any data online. The system also comes fully documented with TAA compliance, a letter of volatility, and an available hardware modification summary to support the security review process.

*Potential customer quote:*

“For years, various U.S. government agencies have identified impactful use-cases and applications for room-scale VR experiences, but often found themselves unable to leverage those capabilities in government facilities due to the security concerns related to wireless communications devices,” said John Grant, a technology manager for one of the leading defense agencies and manager of the quarterly Virtual Worlds Forum. “Since 2016, HTC Vive has coordinated with numerous U.S. government organizations to understand the opportunity with room-scale VR, as well as address the key barriers to adoption. Vive Pro Secure has provided U.S. government organizations and agencies a unique option to efficiently leverage VR in sensitive facilities.”

Vive Pro Secure features dual-OLED displays with a combined resolution of 2880 x 1600 pixels for crisp text and graphics. The headset includes integrated high-performance headphones with 3D spatial integration and environmental noise cancellation for richer sound and an immersive experience. The headstrap has enhanced ergonomics and comfort, including a sizing dial for a more balanced headset that decreases weight on the front. In addition, VIVE Enterprise Business Warranty & Services is included for enterprise-grade support and services.

Vive Pro Secure is available now. Please contact PNY at [gopny@pny.com](mailto:gopny@pny.com) for details.

**About HTC VIVE**

HTC VIVE is the premier virtual reality (VR) platform and ecosystem that creates true-to-life VR experiences for businesses and consumers. The VIVE ecosystem is built around premium VR hardware, software, and content. The VIVE business encompasses best-in-class XR hardware; VIVEPORT platform and app store; VIVE Enterprise Solutions for business customers; VIVE X, a \$100M VR business accelerator; VIVE STUDIOS, an entertainment, gaming, and enterprise content studio; and VIVE ARTS for cultural initiatives. For more information on VIVE, please visit [www.vive.com](http://www.vive.com).

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