



CoxHealth Selects MEDHOST To Boost Efficiency Across Its Three Emergency Departments And Two Urgent Care Centers

MEDHOST's ease of use and integration with CoxHealth's Cerner HIS will optimize workflow and further improve the delivery of patient care

ADDISON, Texas – Sept. 22, 2009 – MEDHOST, provider of the leading Emergency Department Information System (EDIS), today announced that CoxHealth in Springfield, Mo., chose MEDHOST's full-suite software to automate its three emergency departments (ED) and two urgent care centers and boost productivity and efficiency. The EDIS will first be deployed at Cox North in late 2009, followed by deployments at Cox South, Cox Monett, CoxHealth Adult Urgent Care and Pediatric Urgent Care in 2010. CoxHealth selected MEDHOST because of its ease of use, ability to integrate with CoxHealth's Cerner HIS, and its proven safety tools such as medication reconciliation and risk mitigation.

“CoxHealth is committed to enhancing the patient experience through technology investments. By automating each of our EDs with MEDHOST's robust, paperless system, we can provide our clinicians the infrastructure they need to deliver high quality care more safely and efficiently,” said Cathy Homeyer, administrative director of emergency departments at CoxHealth. “Our clinicians have been very involved and excited about this project since seeing how easy MEDHOST is to use and how well it aligns with their process and workflow needs. Because MEDHOST integrates with our Cerner HIS, we can pre-populate inpatient charts with critical information upon admission, which is a unique attribute that helps us improve patient safety and achieve our continuum of care goals.”

The Cox South ED receives more than 65,000 visits annually, and the other CoxHealth EDs and urgent care centers receive more than 90,000 visits combined. With its patient volumes on the rise, CoxHealth selected MEDHOST to improve processes and deliver new levels of efficiency. MEDHOST's automatic Charge Capture eliminates extra steps and prevents lost charges by calculating charges as care is documented, and the system's real-time notifications will help keep ED clinicians and staff better informed about each patient's status. MEDHOST also removes unnecessary steps and inefficient processes with its bi-directional CPOE module, which enables clinicians to place orders directly into ancillary department systems from the bedside.

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“MEDHOST is excited to be part of CoxHealth’s decision to eliminate manual, paper processes and bring automation to its EDs and urgent care centers. We look forward to helping CoxHealth achieve the maximum benefits that our EDIS offers, as well as providing its clinicians with tools that fully support their workflow needs,” said Craig Herrod, president and CEO of MEDHOST. “We commend CoxHealth’s continued dedication to its patients, and we are eager to work alongside the health system to not only advance its EDs, but most important, enrich the delivery of patient care.”

MEDHOST currently serves more than 170 facilities, including Catholic Healthcare West in California, Catholic Health System in New York, Tenet Healthcare Corporation and several academic facilities across the U.S. MEDHOST is the preferred EDIS provider of VHA Inc., a national cooperative serving more than 2,400 not for profit healthcare organizations. In addition to Cerner, MEDHOST easily integrates with other leading hospital information systems, including MEDITECH, Siemens and McKesson.

About CoxHealth

CoxHealth is accredited by The Joint Commission and distinguished as one of the nation’s Top 100 Integrated Healthcare Systems (2006-2009). Established in 1906 and based in Springfield, Mo., CoxHealth serves more than 900,000 people in a 25-county service area in southwest Missouri and northwest Arkansas. Our services include three hospitals and more than 50 physician clinics in 20 communities, Oxford HealthCare (a home health agency), Home Parenteral Services (home infusion therapy), CoxHealth Foundation, Cox College, Cox Family Medicine Residency and much more.

About MEDHOST, Inc.

MEDHOST is a software solutions company that provides highly visual, easy to use [process management](#) technology for the healthcare industry. The MEDHOST product suite has been adopted by leading institutions throughout the United States and has proven to dramatically improve emergency department processes and [financial performance](#). It is MEDHOST’s mission to ensure [Customer satisfaction](#) by providing the highest levels of quality, performance and service. MEDHOST EDIS version 4.2 is a CCHIT Certified® 08 Emergency Department Electronic Health Record and includes real time [Patient Tracking](#), [Nurse Charting](#), [Physician Documentation](#), [Order Entry](#) and [comprehensive reporting](#). MEDHOST is headquartered in Addison, Texas.

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