

ECR 2014: Agfa HealthCare's IMPAX Agility Launches Globally



Following robust pilots, 125 new sites implement seamless solution offering relevant and varied imaging data in one platform

- Recently launched, IMPAX Agility is already bringing quality outcomes to over 125 hospitals around to world.
- Modern IT platform enhances clinical productivity and performance, while reducing costs.
- Streamlined navigation and workflow deliver clinical productivity benefits for diagnostic imaging professionals.

Agfa HealthCare, who will be at the upcoming ECR 2014 in Hall Expo A at Booth #103, has that its IMPAX Agility solution, a next generation medical imaging platform that truly combines workflow, image management, reporting, and clinical applications into one seamless solution, has now been successfully launched in multiple countries around the globe. In over 125 hospitals, it is being installed or has gone live.

Enhanced productivity, performance and decision-making

IMPAX Agility is designed to achieve clinical productivity and improve affordability. It uses a single data model to provide a seamless system that offers relevant and varied clinical data in one, completely unified imaging management platform. Not only does IMPAX Agility's sophisticated GUI provide handlers with an uncluttered and intuitive user experience, it also offers the native diagnostic capabilities, streamlined navigation and workflow, improving clinical productivity.

Its modern IT platform helps hospitals to maximise performance and control costs, by reducing overhead, upgrade time and IT infrastructure investments. The platform has been optimised for 64-bit parallel processing, and uses standard components and technologies, simplifying system integration.

Sectional reporting increases consistency and decreases report turnaround time. Text entry, digital dictation, transcription and speech capabilities are fully embedded for a seamless workflow that provides users with unbridled access to images and fast turn-around of structured, easy-to-read reports. By orchestrating more of the workflow, improving communication and collaboration between users, and providing results consistently and clearly, IMPAX Agility helps improve quality of care and lets users manage more of their clinical information on a single solution.

"Sectional reporting enhances the value of the reports," says Dr. Logan, Chief Radiologist and Director of Medical Imaging, Southern Ohio Medical Center, Portsmouth, Ohio, USA., "By standardising how the information is presented, it saves time for the radiologist creating the report, while offering enough customisability to be flexible".

Innovative and agile imaging informatics

Agfa HealthCare has signed contracts to implement IMPAX Agility in multiple countries around Latin America. 80 hospitals in Brazil will have the solution, and several have already gone live. The Manaus 'Amazon' project is bringing IMPAX Agility to 61 remote hospitals. 18 hospitals in Mexico, 5 in Colombia, 17 in Paraguay (including 1 national project) and 1 in Ecuador are also in the process of installing the solution.

Following a successful introduction in Europe, also the US embraces IMPAX Agility. "Some of the IMPAX Agility customers are already Agfa HealthCare customers – for direct radiography (DR), computed radiography (CR), RIS, etc. - while others are new customers," comments James Jay, Vice President Imaging IT Solutions at Agfa HealthCare. "This innovative and agile imaging informatics solution is not only helping us to strengthen existing relationships, but also to create new ones."

Ready for PACS replacements and "new-to-PACS" sites

IMPAX Agility supports sites that perform between 10,000 and 350,000 exams per year. It can also be installed in sites that are "new to PACS", i.e. that do not already have PACS.

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