

Merge's New OrthoPACS Solution



Merge Healthcare, a leading provider of clinical systems and innovations that seek to transform healthcare, has announced that more than 650 orthopedic surgeons at more than 50 practices in the U.S. already have or in the process of implementing Merge OrthoPACSTM, a comprehensive image management and digital templating solution for orthopaedics. In addition, many of the more than 500 practices that are using legacy technology from Merge plan to upgrade to Merge OrthoPACS in 2013.

"In 2012, we announced the release of Merge OrthoPACS, a comprehensive image management and digital templating solution for orthopedics," said Jeff Surges, CEO of Merge Healthcare. "With the large number of practices that have already decided to upgrade, it means there are already hundreds of surgeons taking advantage of this new solution. We're extremely pleased to see this rapid adoption and it successfully demonstrates our large investment and commitment to the orthopaedic market."

OrthoVirginia recently decided to upgrade to the new Merge OrthoPACS. "For us the most important thing was the underlying technology and our ability to quickly and smoothly upgrade," explained Taylor Mawyer, IT Manager for OrthoVirginia. "We know that the solution is sound and that Merge has been a leader in imaging for many years. The new, additional functionality was very welcome, but it all came down the ability for Merge to smoothly move us from our Styker Office PACS 4.1 to this next generation solution."

Merge OrthoPACS, a comprehensive image management and digital templating solution for orthopaedics, lets orthopaedic surgeons access images taken at multiple locations in a single viewer, diagnose from anywhere at anytime, plan for surgery with digital templating, and securely archive studies. Orthopaedic surgeons will find that the new solution seamlessly fits into and enhances their current workflow.

For example:

- · Orthopaedic-specific workflows are built into Merge OrthoPACS, from clinic use to the operating room.
- The Merge OrthoPACS zero-footprint client viewer can be the sole viewer for an orthopaedic practice. That means reading images will be no different whether a surgeon reads from their workstation, their iPad, or another device.
- The Merge OrthoPACS viewer also provides access to pre-surgical templating, including advanced measurements and automated hip templating.

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