



News Release

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GRAHAM HOSPITAL SELECTS iCONNECT® AND MERGE HONEYCOMB™ SOLUTIONS FOR ENTERPRISE-WIDE IMAGE INTEROPERABILITY AND STORAGE

Upgrade to latest version of Merge PACS™ also enhances workflow for community hospital

Chicago, IL (Feb. 22, 2013) [Merge Healthcare Incorporated](#) (NASDAQ: MRGE), a leading provider of clinical systems and innovations that seek to transform healthcare, today announced that Graham Hospital has selected Merge Healthcare's entire [iConnect Enterprise Clinical Platform](#) as well as [Merge Honeycomb Archive](#) to implement an enterprise-wide imaging strategy.

"At Graham Hospital we strive to apply forward-thinking technologies to deliver on our mission of providing compassionate, quality health services. Clearly, interoperability and cloud solutions represent the future of imaging," explained Jim Schreiner, CIO, Graham Hospital.

"With iConnect Enterprise Clinical Platform we will be able to deliver anywhere, any time access to images as well as secure storage of images in the [iConnect Enterprise Archive](#). We will then be utilizing Merge Honeycomb Archive for cost-effective, long-term storage of the second copy of our patient images. We believe that by taking an enterprise-wide view of imaging we will see a decrease in our total cost of ownership and reduce the drain on our internal IT resources," Schreiner concluded.

"As a long-time Merge PACS user, this new enterprise-wide imaging strategy builds on our partnership with Merge," added Penny McElroy, Director of Imaging. "We knew that we wanted to upgrade to the latest version of Merge PACS and realized it was also the perfect opportunity to think longer-term while simultaneously improving our radiology workflow in the near-term."

"We have seen clients from large IDNs to community hospitals like Graham Hospital start to really embrace enterprise imaging strategies and look at the cloud as a viable solution to the business and operational challenges they are facing," said Jeff Surges, CEO, Merge Healthcare. "Additionally, now that Meaningful Use Stage 2 rules include image-enabling the EHR as a menu set measure, Graham will be well-positioned to meet these future requirements."

Merge's iConnect Enterprise Clinical Platform is the industry's only comprehensive solution for collecting, archiving, viewing, sharing and exchanging any type of image, anywhere, any time. It includes [iConnect Access](#)*, a zero-download DICOM image and XDS server, [iConnect Share](#), a gateway for image sharing across the enterprise and iConnect Enterprise Archive, a vendor-neutral archive to create an enterprise imaging strategy. Ranked the VNA global market leader by InMedica, it works with existing applications, leveraging widely-used web and healthcare technology standards, to provide a vendor neutral interoperable environment.

[Merge Honeycomb](#) cloud-based applications are designed to help healthcare stakeholders collaborate and improve the delivery of care while reducing costs. Merge Honeycomb Archive provides a long-term storage option that houses images securely, in multiple locations, providing anywhere, any time access. It delivers comprehensive functionality in a high-availability, high-security framework that meets HIPAA and other privacy requirements

[Merge PACS](#), a real-time picture archiving communication system, enhances clinical, operational and administrative functions with an approach that emphasizes workflow efficiency and customer satisfaction. Its modular design allows for easy integration with a broad range of third-party systems.

**iConnect Access is not FDA-cleared for diagnostic use on mobile devices.*

About Merge Healthcare

Merge is a leading provider of clinical systems and innovations that seek to transform healthcare. Merge's enterprise and cloud-based solutions for image intensive specialties provide access to any image, anywhere, any time. Merge also provides health stations, clinical trials software and other health data and analytics solutions that engage consumers in their personal health. With solutions that are used by providers and consumers and include more than 25 years of innovation, Merge is helping to reduce costs and improve the quality of healthcare worldwide. For more information, visit merge.com.

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