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Columbia Nephrology Installs eRAD's Web-based PACS

Greenville, South Carolina – June 17, 2010 eRAD, an industry leader in workflow solutions through its native Web-based RIS, PACS and Teleradiology software platform announced today the successful installation of its software by Columbia Nephrology located in Columbia, South Carolina.

Columbia Nephrology is a sub-specialty practice comprised of fourteen physicians, two physician assistants and four nurse practitioners specializing in providing comprehensive, high quality care to patients with kidney disease and hypertension. The practice selected eRAD for use in its Vascular Access Center where it performs interventional nephrology procedures on dialysis patients.

Carole Ann Norman, Columbia Nephrology Practice Manager said, "Columbia was interested in eRAD's technology due to a number of factors. Easy, Web-based access for both reading and referring physicians was a prerequisite when we started our search and it was clear eRAD excelled in this area but as we investigated their solution we were impressed with innovative features such as their Mask Subtraction Module which enables Digital Subtraction Angiography to be preformed. DSA is used to eliminate the commonalities between two images, leaving just the differences behind to render on the monitor. These features are very useful for a specialty facility like ours to assist in tracing the dye we routinely inject when doing Fistulagrams, a procedure where contrast is injected through a needle puncture in the vascular access to determine if there are any stenotic areas within the fistula or graft and/or any accessory veins or arteries. Norman continued, "eRAD offers this as part of their core diagnostic viewing technology which made this an easy choice."

About Columbia Nephrology

Columbia Nephrology is a sub-specialty practice comprised of fourteen physicians, two physician assistants and four nurse practitioners servicing patients of Columbia South Carolina. For more information, visit www.columbianephrology.com

About eRAD

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