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Hammond Clinic Completes State-of-the-Art Imaging Department with eRAD PACS

Greenville, South Carolina – May 2, 2008 eRAD, an industry leader in workflow solutions through its web-enabled PACS and Teleradiology products, announced today that Hammond Clinic in Munster, Indiana is now operational with eRAD PACS. Diagnostic images are acquired at any of the three Hammond Clinic locations, using CT, MRI, Nuclear Medicine, CR and Ultrasound Modalities. Images and the radiology reports are made available to referring physicians and medical specialists using the web-enabled eRAD system.

The Hammond Clinic, a mature healthcare provider serving northwest Indiana, selected eRAD PACS after a thorough and thoughtful search process. The addition of PACS completes the conversion to an all digital Radiology Department within the Clinic. Previous building blocks include a Misys EMR system and connectivity of the disparate imaging centers via a fiber network. Concurrent with the PACS implementation, Hammond Clinic implemented the digital conversion of X-ray to Computed Radiography. RPS Imaging of Michigan City, Indiana was the provider of the Computed Radiography modalities as well as the eRAD PACS system.

According to Jenny Williamson, Information Services Manager for Hammond Clinic, "The goals in moving to PACS not only included the savings resulting from going filmless, but the desire for quicker and easier turn-around of information by allowing physicians secure access via the internet." Williamson added, "eRAD was selected following a very detailed analysis, and based on the flexibility of their web solution, secure server configuration details, and workflow enhancement features such as annotation, dictation, and transcription." She concluded, "The concurrent digital conversion, implementation of PACS, and integration with our EMR system was an enormous undertaking. eRAD was up to the challenge and delivered everything we needed to establish this truly state-of-the-art imaging department."

About Hammond Clinic

Serving the community for over 50 years, the Hammond Clinic has provided professional quality care to the community since 1957. With state-of-the-art equipment and facilities, the Hammond team of dedicated professional's serves the patients needs compassionately and with the care and precision. The 60 plus physicians covering 22 specialties provide the medical care that you need to stay healthy. The Hammond Clinic serves the community through all life's stages - from infancy and youth to the golden aged senior years. For more information, visit www.hammondclinic.com.

About RPS

RPS Imaging, an X-ray service and supply company based in the Chicago suburb of Michigan City, Indiana was founded in 1977. RPS Imaging, a member of National Healthcare Distributors, Inc. (NHD), provides equipment, supplies, and services to hospitals, clinics, and private practices from Lower Wisconsin through Illinois, and Indiana into Southwest Michigan and Western Ohio. For more information visit www.rpsimaging.com

About eRAD

eRAD® and Image Medical® were founded separately in 1999 and merged in 2001. eRAD offers a standards-based, web-centric image management solution using leading-edge technology. eRAD PACS web-accessible archive, and workflow solutions are installed in over two-hundred twenty-five customer sites throughout the USA. eRAD's PACS and RIS solutions integrate full-featured RIS/PACS and image management with workflow tools for hospitals, clinics, imaging centers and physician practices. For more information, visit www.erad.com.

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