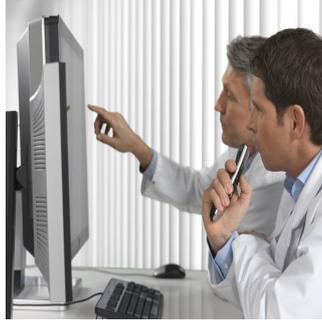


Agfa IMPAX Installation for Isala Clinics, Netherlands



Agfa HealthCare has announced that it has successfully implemented its latest IMPAX picture archiving and communication system (PACS) and radiology information system (RIS) at Isala Clinics in the Netherlands. The solution went live end of May 2013, and is already exceeding expectations.

Isala Clinics in Zwolle, the Netherlands, is the largest non-university hospital in the country, with over 5400 employees and almost 1000 beds. Its radiology department performs 250,000 exams each year. In August 2013, Isala Clinics will open its new, state-of-the-art 104,000 m2 hospital site in Zwolle. This very modern facility will include space for offices, research and treatment facilities, nursing wards, laboratories and other functions spread out across four buildings.

The IMPAX RIS/PACS and Reporting solution optimises the entire clinical and administrative workflow, from order evaluation and patient registration to image management, results distribution and management reporting. The IMPAX 6.5.3 software version includes advanced features that focus on usability, workflow and productivity and business intelligence.

Isala asked Agfa HealthCare to configure the solution to meet some of their specific requirements. The hospital was creating entirely new workplaces for the radiologists. "By working together directly on configuration, validation, etc., the process went very smoothly," comments Albert Vroklage, Sales Manager for Agfa HealthCare in the Netherlands.

Among performance improvements, Albert Vroklage highlights the increased speed of the solution: the waiting time for images has been decreased to a third, significantly improving productivity and patient throughput.

In addition, the radiologists were very pleased with the demonstration of Agfa HealthCare's integrated 3D clinical applications. "Their previous 3D software offered a lot of functionality, but was very complicated to use" he explains. "When the radiologists saw the integrated 3D applications in IMPAX, they were very enthusiastic about the usability!"

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