CMR selected as EDIS Solution for Abrom Kaplan Memorial Hospital and Hood Memorial Hospital

Louisiana-based hospitals take key steps to improving access to patient medical information, workflow, as well as meeting meaningful use requirements

Baton Rouge, La. – Aug. 21, 2012 - CMR, a market- leading Emergency Department Information System (EDIS), today announced two Louisiana-based hospitals, Abrom Kaplan Memorial Hospital, a 35-bed facility located in Kaplan and Hood Memorial Hospital, a 25-bed facility located in Amite, have implemented CMR as their information technology system for their emergency departments.

"Achieving the requirements for Medicare and Medicaid meaningful use is a key objective for our facility," says Hoppie Jones, chief financial officer of Hood Memorial Hospital. "After speaking with our peers from other facilities and seeing their successes first hand, we knew CMR was the right solution for us."

The intuitive functionality of CMR enables ED clinicians to instantly access medical information and effectively document clinical activities for improved workflow, patient care and safety. Browser-based to ease demands on IT departments, CMR integrates seamlessly with both administrative and clinical enterprise systems for enhanced care coordination, reporting and analytics.

"With any implementation and/or interfacing process there are always challenges," says Lyman Trahan, chief executive officer of Abrom Kaplan Memorial Hospital. "We didn't face any challenges with the CMR implementation. Their team worked with our staff and physicians throughout the process in the most positive matter, making it far less complicated than any of the other system implementations we have gone through in the past."

"We are delighted to welcome Abrom Kaplan Memorial and Hood Memorial to the CMR family," says Robert Tassin, MD, physician support director of CMR. "Meeting today's healthcare requirements and mandates is an ever-changing challenge for hospitals. We understand first hand those challenges and work diligently to provide the support and IT solutions needed to make each of our clients successful."

CMR EDIS Version 3.3 is 2011/2012 compliant and certified as an EHR Module by the Drummond Group Inc., an Authorized Testing and Certification Body (ATCB) by

the Health and Human Services' (HHS) Office of National Coordination (ONC). The 2011/2012 certification supports Stage 1 meaningful use measures that enable eligible providers and hospitals to qualify for funding under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (AARA). This certification does not represent an endorsement by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services or guarantee the receipt of incentive payments.

About Abrom Kaplan Memorial Hospital

Abrom Kaplan Memorial Hospital was founded in 1958 as a non-profit, general acute care facility for Hospital Service District #1 of Vermilion Parish. The hospital has 35 licensed beds (25 Acute & 10 Behavioral) and employs approximately 95 employees in the City of Kaplan.

About Hood Memorial Hospital

Hood Memorial was established in 1971and is a general medical and surgical hospital located in Amite, La.

About CMR

CMR is the market-leading EDIS, featuring intuitive functionality that enables ED professionals to instantly access medical information and efficiently document clinical activities for improved patient care, workflow and safety. Browser-based to ease demands on IT departments, the CMR information system integrates seamlessly with both administrative and clinical systems in the hospital for enhanced care coordination, reporting and analytics. Developed in 1992 by Cris Mandry, MD, founding program director of the Louisiana State University Emergency Medicine Residency, CMR was designed to meet the needs of all healthcare professionals directly involved with the care of patients: ED physicians, nurses, ancillary care and administrative staff. Its ease of use enhances department workflow; improves clinicians' access to critical information; increases patient throughput; boosts eligibility for stimulus and reimbursement dollars; and reduces opportunities for medical errors. To learn more about CMR, please visit www.cmredis.com.

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