

Epic Integration

Enhancing Operational Efficiencies with Iguana®

ABOUT CONNECTICUT CHILDREN'S MEDICAL CENTER:

Connecticut Children's Medical Center is a nationally recognized, 187-bed not-for-profit children's hospital serving as the primary teaching hospital for the University of Connecticut School of Medicine Department of Pediatrics. Connecticut Children's Medical Center is consistently named among the best in the nation for several of its pediatric specialties in the annual U.S. News & World Report "Best Children's Hospitals" rankings.

Challenge:

To ensure seamless communication within a hospital, interoperability with EMR systems is a must. This is a common challenge since not all vendors offer systems that can easily communicate with a specific EMR.

Solution:

Iguana is used to connect EpicCare™ with over 12 essential hospital information systems.

Results:

Over one million records from legacy systems were painlessly converted, and data is easily exchanged with various medical systems, saving both the IT department and physicians countless hours.

Connecticut Children's Medical Center was looking to implement the best available technology to improve the way physicians interact with patient data. They wanted an integration engine that could easily connect their central EMR with other medical systems such as pharmacy, laboratory and billing systems.

Integration Lead, Han's Groschel, was tasked with finding a suitable integration engine that didn't heavily rely on the hospital's IT department and was flexible enough to meet the evolving integration needs of the hospital. "When I put Iguana side by side with other tools, Iguana was always much faster to setup and start using", states Groschel.



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In addition to integrating systems together at Connecticut Children's, Iguana is also being used to convert data from legacy systems to the EpicCare™ EMR application. Over one million records have been converted, which include hospital encounters, transcription data, radiology data and vaccination information.

The flexibility of Iguana proved particularly critical throughout the process. "You can pretty much do anything you want to with it", said Groschel, when commenting on how Iguana helped Connecticut Children's ease the conversion effort.

Iguana is being used to facilitate data exchange between 12 essential hospital systems and the EpicCare EMR application, making things easier for the IT department by reducing the number of applications they have to support. Physicians are also seeing direct benefits, as they no longer need to enter data into multiple systems. Hospitals with similar sized systems have saved upwards of \$200,000 in implementation costs using Iguana.

Iguana has helped Connecticut Children's improve efficiencies across the entire hospital, specifically by eliminating data entry repetition, which has reduced data errors across all hospital systems. Patient data is now easy to search for across all systems, allowing the hospital to focus on patient care rather than data entry.

Learn how you can save money through improved integration and efficiencies with your EMR.

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