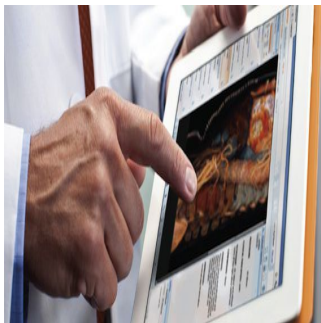

Carestream To Supply PACS, Archiving And Teleradiology Solutions To French Region



Carestream Health in France has been selected to provide shared PACS and RIS services and teleradiology support in the Midi-Pyrénées region. The tender process was supported by Groupement de Coopération Sanitaire (GCS) Télésanté Midi-Pyrénées and will allow all medical imaging produced in the region to be shared.

This developmental project is of significant interest in the region as it will provide simplified search and retrieval of imaging documents, powerful diagnostic and post-processing tools and tele-imaging solutions. It will contribute towards improving patient care and will play a leading role in the implementation of a tele-imaging network for the region's 57 healthcare organisations, enabling them to access regional services.

Throughout the tender process, Carestream demonstrated the benefits of being a single solutions provider, as opposed to a multi-partner consortium, and its ability to supply a highly effective and affordable solution that took account of existing solutions. This applies particularly to the Virtual Data Centre which allows clinical information from the PACS, or from imaging systems from any vendor, to be exchanged without the constraint of the preliminary archiving phase.

Carestream's experience in Cloud Computing and the maturity of its platform facilitated a detailed response in meeting the requirements of GCS and will enable rapid deployment as early as the end of the year.

"The success of major private cloud infrastructure projects and the success of our public hosting platform in France, combined with the deployment of the regional PACS in the Loire département have allowed us to take a decisive step in the technical and organisational management of this type of project", outlined Christophe Chapot, Information Systems Manager, Carestream in France. "We are eager to work with GCS Télésanté Midi-Pyrénées and organisations within the region to enable health professionals to benefit from the latest technologies in medical image sharing and exchange."

Professor Louis Lareng, Administrator of the GCS Télésanté Midi-Pyrenees, said, "The introduction of PACS Midi-Pyrenees will allow an improvement in the management of patients thanks to easy access to all medical images and previous radiological exams, both within each healthcare enterprise and between different enterprise sites."

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