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Stamping out the Office Gutenbergs

Athens—Does your office have a lot of Gutenbergs? Not people working on inventing a printing press. These Gutenbergs are those folks who have to print out every single piece of correspondence that lands on their computer desktop. Well, kicking and screaming will the Gutenbergs of the world be dragged into the paperless future, and Cabinet NG will be doing some of that dragging.

Cabinet NG has announced that The Orthopaedic Center (TOC) has begun using its Shared Access Filing Environment (SAFE) solution. In addition to the core software implementation to replace paper-based medical records, CNG-Forms is being used to automate patient check-in and clinical documentation. The solution integrates with Companion Technologies'

MegaWest practice management system, various clinical functions, transcription automation and remote facilities to provide a secure end-to-end automated workflow process.

TOC is one of Alabama's largest orthopaedic and sports medicine centers. "Having the latest patient care technology is a must. We also recognized the need to automate the clinics non-treatment functions in order to maintain an overall superior service to our patients," said Phillip Maddox, M.D., president. "The Cabinet NG solution supports these functions exceptionally well and we were very impressed with the entire implementation, training and go-live process."

"Professionals in the medical industry recognize it is now possible to provide better patient service, maintain compliance with recent federal HIPAA [Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act] regulations and reduce costs by applying paperless technology within their practice. However, to be successful requires a strong commitment to achieve these goals and a willingness to embrace change. The success of this project would not be possible without TOC's commitment across the entire organization," said Abe Niedzwiecki, vice president of technology, Cabinet NG.



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