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A solution for receiving outside imaging exams via a secure cloud service—without software, hardware, or VPN

deally, a patient's imaging records should reach a physician before the patient does – whether in the case of transferring a critically injured patient to a trauma center, or a non-urgent referral to a specialist. lifeIMAGE DropBox, a cloud-based software service, allows medical professionals to invite people from anywhere in the world to upload images, reports and attachments easily and securely over the Internet, without a VPN connection. lifeIMAGE DropBox enables teams of physicians to receive and review outside imaging exams, share them with colleagues, and import them seamlessly into the patient's local permanent electronic medical record.

Who can use it?

lifeIMAGE DropBox teams are comprised of physicians who wish to receive diagnostic imaging data from outside the hospital's network via secure Internet to collaborate on a specific use case. Typical use cases include trauma and emergency department transfers, remote consultations, new outpatient referrals, research and clinical trials, and medical education.

How it works

Credentials

All members of a lifeIMAGE DropBox team can create credentials for an external sender to log in to the team's branded lifeIMAGE DropBox page. The sender must supply his or her log-in credentials and contact information, and accept a HIPAA agreement. This three-step process takes less than one minute to complete.

Uploading

After log-in, the sender is guided to insert the CD/DVD so that the imaging exam files can be detected

What you can do



Guide the sources of patient CDs to upload exams, without a VPN



Review image data remotely, from anywhere



Download image data and import it to local PACS and EMR



Receive upload notifications via e-mail, SMS or pager



Receive non-imaging files such as reports, EKGs, and lab results



Add comments, measurements, annotations, and/or attachments



Optionally deploy an app at sending sites to pull from PACS or modality

Benefits

- → Fast, real-time access to outside image data and associated documents – which can be used to provide time-sensitive remote consultations, prepare for incoming patient transfers, and prioritize patient appointments
- $\rightarrow\,$ Outside data can be downloaded and easily imported to local systems, if desired
- → Data sharing at the sending side is simple and software-free

automatically. The sender can attach other files and add comments or instructions for the lifeIMAGE DropBox team before clicking the "upload" button. This process is as simple as uploading pictures to a photo sharing website. Senders do not need any special equipment beyond a web-connected PC with Java, a disc drive, and Internet connection.

Persistent Senders

lifeIMAGE DropBox teams that consistently receive imaging exams from facilities with a PACS may prefer to equip those sites with LISA[™], the lifeIMAGE Sending App. LISA is software that enables authorized personnel at a trusted facility to query/retrieve images directly from its PACS, attach relevant files like reports and lab results, and upload them to the team's lifeIMAGE DropBox without burning CDs. Trauma teams, for example, often deploy LISA at the community hospitals that most frequently transfer patients to them.

Notification

lifeIMAGE DropBox team members are notified when a sending site has successfully uploaded data. Notifications can be configured based on individual preferences, with options to receive messages via e-mail, text message, or pager alert when new studies are ready for review.

Review

Each member of the lifeIMAGE DropBox team can access images and reports immediately with lifeIMAGE's proprietary viewer, even as they are stored in the cloud. Members of the team can then choose to download data to the lifeIMAGE InBox[™], from where they can be viewed, shared with colleagues, and added to the patient's permanent local medical record in PACS. This entire round trip can occur in a matter of minutes.

No VPN, hardware, or software required to send

lifeIMAGE DropBox eliminates the most common barrier to image data exchange – the costly site-to-site network connection. Referring physicians and patients don't require any relationship with lifeIMAGE, nor any proprietary hardware or software to securely share imaging information. This means neither party has to pay to maintain a VPN connection.

A faster more efficient way to collect outside imaging

lifeIMAGE DropBox lets imaging-intense specialists guide referral sources to send data electronically as

a far more efficient alternative to receiving information via CDs, which can become damaged or lost before they arrive with the patient. This also means that data can be shared swiftly - an essential element in critical care environment where clinicians have only moments to make diagnostic, treatment, and transfer decisions.

A tool to grow your referral base

lifeIMAGE DropBox makes it easier for unaffiliated referring physicians and patients to send exam data to specialists for distance consulting, second opinions, and referrals. This advantage is particularly significant in competitive markets where hospitals compete for high-value clinical procedures.

lifeIMAGE allows patients, physicians and hospitals to electronically network, collect and share diagnostic imaging records from any facility. Its other services include lifeIMAGE Enterprise ™, which helps physicians and support staff efficiently collect and share the contents of patient CDs, and lifeIMAGE OutBox™, a service that enables broad-based image data sharing to the outside community.