

Ib-Salut Earns Top Award For Improving Island Healthcare



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Orion Health congratulates the Ministry of Health and Consumer Protection of Balearic Islands (Ib-Salut) for its 2007 Quality Award from the Spanish Ministry of Health. The award was presented to the organization in December, 2008, for the Ministry's Ib-Salut Medical History project in the category of innovation in the overall improvement of quality of care.



Orion Health, in partnership with Oracle and Fujitsu, began the three-stage phased project with Ib-Salut in 2005. The project included the development of a regional health information platform and an electronic health record (EHR).

Orion Health CEO Ian McCrae says the award is a fantastic achievement for the project team.

"It is further recognition of the global leadership Orion Health is providing in the EHR space. This project is about improving healthcare delivered to the Balearic Islands, and we are proud to have been a part of this," he says.

Luis Alegre Latorre, Director Asistencial at Ib-Salut says the acknowledgment of the Quality Award by all regions emphasizes the importance of the Award to Ib-Salut.

"It is recognition that this project is the first step of a really revolutionary new system for us," he says.

Orion Health's innovative integration technology and clinical workflow solutions were instrumental in the implementation of a world-class solution, which supports the accessibility of patient information from all levels of care (both primary care and specialist through to the patient) via the Internet.

Fujitsu is a technological partner for Ib-Salut's History of Health project, as well as the acute coronary syndrome registry, contributing professional infrastructure, services along with support and coordination of the efforts from Orion Health and Oracle.

Oracle technologies were used for the security identity management system to identify professionals and their roles. Oracle's HTB (Healthcare Transaction Base) platform was chosen as the solution for the health information repository.

The trio of organizations working together have been able to improve the efficiency and quality of healthcare in the Balearic Islands, from general practitioners to specialised physicians.

A number of laboratories and hospitals have been integrated creating the ability to keep personal patient records electronically and to allow for easy referral and verification of clinical tests.

Orion Health's Rhapsody™ Integration Engine technology was deployed as the integration center for the project, using HL7 reference standards. In addition, Orion Health's Concerto™ web-based Clinical Portal was selected to unify clinical data from several sources of information.

The award was presented by the Minister of Health and Consumption Affairs, Bernat Soria, in Madrid, Spain, on December 9.

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About IB Salut's EHR

The development of a regional health information platform of the electronic health record project in the Balearic region started in 2005. The region allocated €9m to the project. The project uses Rhapsody Integration technology and the adoption of HL7 messaging as reference standards. Orion Health's Concerto Portal unifies access to clinical data from several sources of information. The solution also uses a Clinical Data Repository, Oracle's HTB (Healthcare Transaction Base) platform - technology and implementation partners for the project.

About The Balearic Islands

The Balearic region is made up of four islands (Mallorca, Minorca, Ibiza and Formentera) located in the east of Spain. The capital city is Palma de Mallorca. Tourism is fundamental to the region - and around 10 million people visit the region every year. There are 1.2 million residents distributed across eight municipalities but with a high concentration in Palma. This unbalanced population distribution across the region makes equal delivery of public services, such as healthcare, difficult. Since 2002 the regional government has had the responsibility on regional health and consumer protection managed through the IB Salut agency. The healthcare sector employs more than 12,000 people - 2,488 clinicians across eight hospitals with more than 3,000 acute care beds and 2,500 medical staff.

About Concerto Physician Portal

A single sign-on physician portal, Concerto connects multiple hospital information systems to provide a unified view of patient data across all clinical applications. Using a graphical interface, Concerto allows physicians to present data to patients in order to better explain, inform and share health records securely and reliably. Improved access to information allows staff to make better clinical decisions leading to improved healthcare and better health outcomes.

About Rhapsody Integration Engine

Rhapsody was developed to manage and provide seamless message exchange and integration between hospital applications, databases and external systems. Consistently ranked highly by independent research organization KLAS Enterprises 'Best of KLAS solution' report card, Rhapsody has been specifically designed to meet the present and future needs of health integration by delivering a solution with the lowest cost of ownership and highest return on investment without having to replace existing information systems.

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About Orion Health

Orion Health's easy-to-use solutions and applications improve patient care and clinical decision making by providing integrated health data in a single, unified view. By enhancing existing healthcare information systems, Orion Health's Rhapsody integration engine, Concerto clinical portal, and workflow solutions provide healthcare workers with easy access to patient data and trends, and reduce errors and omissions by streamlining information transfer.

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