

Redefining Imaging Strategy: Unifying Radiology and IT Teams to Boost Image Performance

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Agenda

- 35 minutes: Panel Discussion
- 10 minutes: Audience Q&A

	Chuck Podesta CIO Renown Health
	Shafiq Rab, MD EVP/Chief Digital Officer & System CIO Tufts Medicine
	Dan Brown CTO AGFA HealthCare
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Question

- Please give us an overview of your organization and role.



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Question

- Chuck and Shafiq – please describe the imaging landscapes in your health systems:
 - Where is imaging done, what venues
 - How many disparate PACS do you have in your ecosystem
 - How have acquisitions (hospitals, practices, imaging centers, etc.) contributed to the complexity of your imaging ecosystem?



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Question

- What does it mean to work towards more of an enterprise imaging environment?
 - Why is this something worth striving for?
 - Who are the beneficiaries of such an approach?
 - What are some areas to start?



Question

- How can governance around enterprise imaging help make sure that resources are spent on the right things? Who needs to be involved?



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Question

- I have heard two strategies endorsed: the first of which is to put some effort towards PACS consolidation but not be militant about it, and have IT handle any required integrations on the back end. The second is to require all users to move to the same PACS system (at least within each ology), with the thinking that integrations are too difficult to create and maintain. What are your thoughts?
 - How difficult is PACS migration/consolidation, both from a change management/user perspective and from a technology perspective?



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Question

- Talk about the role of VNAs and universal viewers for increasing image accessibility.



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Question

- What impact has, or will, AI have on the imaging space?



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Question

- As you look at your investments in PACS or enterprise imaging, how do you see cloud or SaaS offerings fitting into your vision?



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Question

- Where are you in terms of making images accessible in the patient record through the EMR?



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Question

- Another reason to enhance image exchange and accessibility is that it allows the use of remote radiologists which can alleviate the burden on in-house practitioners. Talk about the relationship between increasing imaging volumes, overburdened radiologists, and burnout; and how enterprise imaging can help alleviate this problem.

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Question

- Ask a co-panelist ...



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Question

- Please offer some parting advice for those grappling with the challenges discussed today.



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