

Improving Oncology Review Conferences

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The Cancer Institute at UT Medical Center (UTMC) in Knoxville (250,000 annual exams) needed to improve the productivity of its oncology review conferences. UTMC uses oncology review conferences for case management and evaluation of cancer care outcomes. Its program is highly regarded and accredited by the American College of Surgeons Commission on Cancer. The

multidisciplinary team convenes several times per week to collaborate on difficult cases.



With patient data coming from many different sources, gathering images from different departments and presenting cases with images quickly and smoothly during a conference is not an easy task. “Before

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UT Medical Center*

PacsSCAN, images and documents from radiology and other departments were stored on different devices. Switching between them was cumbersome and slow,” said Charlie Owens, PACS Administrator at UT Medical Center.

Today, UTMC uses PacsSCAN to import relevant clinical images to PACS. First, radiology creates a study specifically for an upcoming conference. Next, other clinical departments use PacsSCAN to add paper documents and import JPEG images, such as histology and gross anatomy images. With PacsSCAN’s simple user interface, UTMC technologists are able to use the product with little or no training. PacsSCAN’s worklist feature makes it easy to attach images to the correct study.

All patient information is now stored together on PACS and can be accessed quickly and easily from a viewing station in the conference room. “Using PacsSCAN we find our oncology review conferences are certainly smoother and faster,” Charlie said.

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