



News

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Comprehensive Information Management for Outpatient Surgery Providers

Webinars !

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Amkai's dual educational tracks offer a series of informative web seminars tailored to the specific needs of existing Amkai customers and prospective users of our solutions.

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Happy New Year!

All of us at Amkai wishing you all the best in
2009 and beyond!

A Surgical Safety Checklist to Reduce Morbidity and Mortality in a Global Population

A landmark study just published in the prestigious New England Journal of Medicine revealed a result not surprising to some, but startling even to some researchers involved in the study. Surgical Checklists significantly reduce morbidity and mortality. This confirms our long held conviction that an EMR such as AmkaiCharts/ASC and AmkaiCharts/SH, specifically developed for ASCs and Surgical Hospitals, contributes significantly to patient safety. The findings reported fully justify the implementation of a discrete data EMR.

To view the original publication click here:
<http://content.nejm.org/cgi/content/full/NEJMsa0810119>

Advances in Healthcare IT - Patient Tracking

If there is one truism about technology, it is that it never stops moving forward. The EMR is a good example of this. There are discussions about ROI, patient safety concerns, interoperability, security, governmental mandates, etc. All this time the most crucial fact, that the EMR is an inevitable part of progress, is rarely if ever mentioned.

An important component of healthcare IT, Patient Tracking, received a lot of press recently. In fact, an implementation of Patient Tracking was awarded a prize as a major technical feat.

Patient tracking can be perceived as two distinct, yet closely related applications; Tracking the patient's progress through the facility, or allowing the relatives of the patient see the progress of their loved one through the facility by displaying a patient tracking screen in the waiting area. This is a substantial savings over the costly electronic bracelet technology that requires hardware and expensive installation to accomplish the same task. Amkai's process does it automatically as you record clinical data in the patient's chart.





PM Patient Tracking							
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Dynamic content Settings							
Patient Asset #	Group	Location	Status	Date	Time in	Wait	Notes
Cc	2426	PDD 1	Room 3	With Mid Level	01/12/09	08:33	00:51
Jc	2432	PDD 2	Scheduling		01/12/09	08:55	00:29
Pt	2467	PDD 2	Room 5	With MA	01/12/09	08:56	00:29
Hc	2518	PDD 2	Room 7		01/12/09	09:04	00:20
Pe	2444	PDD 1	Room 6	With MA	01/12/09	09:12	00:13
Se	2491	PDD 1	Room 1	With Mid Level	01/12/09	09:12	00:12
At	2506	PDD 2	Room 6	With MA	01/12/09	09:12	00:12
Hc	2479	PDD 2	Room 2	With Mid Level	01/12/09	09:13	00:12
Sc	2490	PDD 3	Room 13	With Mid Level	01/12/09	09:19	00:05
Bc	2445	PDD 2	Scheduling		01/12/09	09:20	00:04
Wc	2515	PDD 1	Room 4		01/12/09	09:21	00:03
Ec	2515	PDD 1	Room 10		01/12/09	09:21	00:03
St	2515	PDD 2	Room 5	With MA	01/12/09	09:23	00:01

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Amkai Chart's Patient Tracking has received high marks from its users:

"Without Patient Tracking we would have no idea where the patients are in the building."– Shannon

"I have no idea how we even knew where patients were in our multi level building." – Jennifer

It really helps when the patient leaves the facility for an MRI and we can see that he is expected back." - front desk

"It helps the clinical staff communicate with the business staff." – front desk

Amkai's Patient Tracking is of value even in the smallest facility - it automatically tracks the patients' whereabouts ; This is accomplished by using the clinical staff's log in to take care of a patient, as an auto feed to patient tracking indicating that the patient is in that department/area.

You no longer will need to try to find out when a patient is expected in your department - patient tracking will tell you where the patient is, and how long has the patient been there. Triaging becomes easier, as you can see at a glance for how long each patient has been waiting for. When relatives will inquire about the progress of the patient, you will be able to respond at once, without having to make telephone calls, or otherwise look for the patient. Alternatively, if you have a patient tracking display in your waiting room, the relatives may just see the status there.

Please visit our website for additional resources or information.

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Amkai's next webinar on "How Comprehensive Information Management Boosts ASC Performance" will be on January 28th at 1:00pm EST.

Look for details on Amkai's "ASC Stimulus Program" in the near future. The program is a revolutionary new way to acquire the most comprehensive and advanced IT solutions for your organization without up front capital outlay or difficult and expensive leasing plans.

Winter 2009 Webinar Series - for Amkai Clients only

There is no better way to improve the efficiency of your computer system, than learning the details of its functioning. As much as we do our best to train you during implementation, we recognize that it is not easy to absorb all the intricacies of our software. On going education is the only way to harness the full power of AmkaiCharts, AmkaiOffice and Enterprise. A refresher course can always improve your experience and interaction with our software. There may be a helpful new feature that you overlooked, shortcuts, or simply alternate easier ways of performing certain tasks. We urge our users to attend as many of our webinars as they can. To register, please go to our website (www.amakai.com).

Here is our Winter 2009 Webinar schedule:

Discharge Instructions

Date: Tuesday January 27, 2009 Time: 2:00 eastern

Electronic Preference Cards

Date: Thursday January 29, 2009 Time: 2:00 eastern

Electronic Consents

Date: Tuesday February 3, 2009 Time: 2:00 eastern

Conflict Checking, Task Management

Date: Thursday February 5, 2009 Time: 2:00 eastern

IV / IO

Date: Tuesday February 10, 2009 Time: 2:00 eastern

CDM Overview

Date: Thursday February 12, 2009 Time: 2:00 eastern

Computerized Physician Order Entry (CPOE)

Date: Tuesday February 17, 2009 Time: 2:00 eastern

Group Rebill/Remittance Posting

Date: Thursday February 19, 2009 Time: 2:00 eastern

Tasks / Reminders / Clinical Alerts

Date: Tuesday February 24, 2009 Time: 2:00 eastern

Purchase Orders

Date: Thursday February 26, 2009 Time: 2:00 eastern

Surgical Case and Desktop Preferences

Date: Tuesday March 3, 2009 Time: 2:00 eastern

Contract Management

Managing Contracts effectively in AmkaiOffice can save valuable time and increase efficiency and accuracy. Learn how to best manage these contracts. Date: Thursday March 5, 2009 Time: 2:00 eastern

H&P, PFSH, ROS, PE Engines

Is your facility unique? Are your Histories, Physicals, and Review of Systems specific to your Physicians and Surgeons? Learn how to use the powerful AmkaiCharts engines to tailor these modules to your facility. Date: Tuesday March 10, 2009 Time: 2:00 eastern

Scheduling and Templates

Date: Thursday March 12, 2009 Time: 2:00 eastern

OP Notes; ATM; Hotspots

Date: Tuesday March 17, 2009 Time: 2:00 eastern

AmkaiOffice Overview; A General Introduction

Date: Thursday March 19, 2009 Time: 2:00 eastern

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