

MedEvolve and EMR

EMR adoption is the current “hot topic” and stimulus programs are offered by the federal government, health plans, institutions, and laboratory firms. MedEvolve offers multiple approaches to meeting a practice’s EMR requirements.

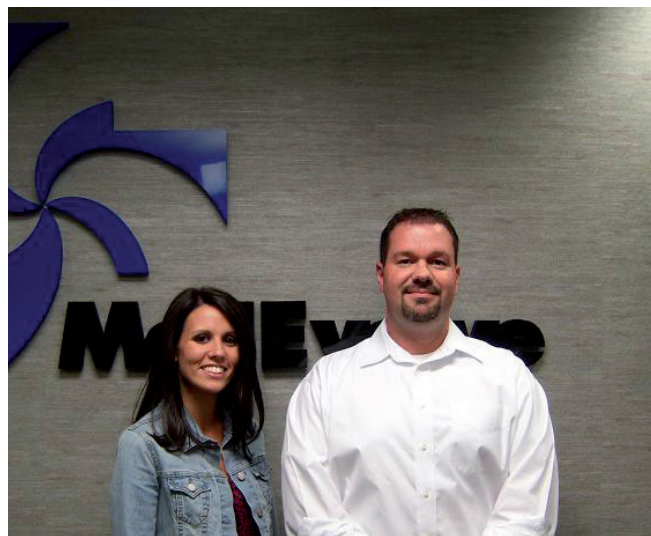
The most common request is to implement a full, clinical EMR system providing medical pathways designed for a specific medical specialty. MedEvolve offers a full EMR offering for ophthalmic specialties, and partners with specialty firms for content-rich EMR offerings in orthopedics, urology, ENT and Pain Management.

MedEvolve chooses EMR offerings designed for specific medical specialties that bring content-rich value and a higher physician adoption rate. The EMR support and development staffs bring a deeper level of practice knowledge and the software provides better support for the medical specialty’s unique needs.

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MedEvolve offers a second approach to high-volume practices that cannot accept the reduced physician productivity occurring in a full EMR setting. MedEvolve’s hybrid-EMR can replace the paper superbill (also called an encounter form or fee ticket) to quickly record diagnoses, treatments, and specific outcome metrics which the practice needs to report. This approach provides electronic clinical recording and eliminates manual charge posting all without changing the way a physician renders patient care.

MedEvolve applies a third approach to practices wanting an electronic patient chart without adding costly software or changing patient care processes. Using scanners and HL7-compliant interfaces to hospitals and laboratory



Your EMR Sales Team: Kat & Casey (left to right).

systems, staff can use existing MedEvolve functionality to create an electronic patient chart containing both demographic and clinical information. (HL7, or Health Level 7, is a set of standards defining how medical messages should be exchanged between medical software systems and medical devices.)

EMR providers may urge, or even demand, replacing a practice’s PM system with their own. Necessary? No. Modern EMR systems have HL7-compliant interfaces that operate seamlessly with MedEvolve. HL7 interfaces are stable, and allow the PM and EMR providers to update their software applications on their own schedule without the risk of breaking the link between PM and EMR. As a result, practices receive PM and EMR updates quicker and with fewer “bugs” than what happens when PM and EMR logic are forced into a single, complex software module.

Mr. Kyle Adkins administers a 19-physician practice (see Practice Spotlight) and has been evaluating EMR systems. His conclusion is, “There is no reason to abandon our current MedEvolve PM system regardless of the EMR system we select.”

If you are looking for or just considering an EMR offering, contact Casey Honeycutt 800-964-5129 x233 or (casey.honeycutt@medevolve.com) and tell him about your requirements. If you have already identified a specific EMR system and want to avoid the trauma and cost of converting your PM system, Casey can help there as well.