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## Saint Barnabas Health Care System Selects EDIMS EHR for its Emergency Departments

*Six-hospital New Jersey health system adds EDIMS technology solution to provide complete electronic patient records in EDs*

Livingston, N.J., September 23, 2010 – [EDIMS LLC](#), a leading provider of interoperable [emergency department](#) (ED) information management systems, announced today that Saint Barnabas Health Care System (SBHCS), New Jersey's largest integrated health care delivery system, has selected EDIMS' emergency department information system (EDIS) to improve ED patient safety and quality of care, as well as streamline operations and help meet "Meaningful Use" requirements.

The six-hospital system, which sees over 452,000 patients annually in its EDs, will be using the latest version of EDIMS, 2.6, by the end of this year. Key features that the hospitals will benefit from include a comprehensive charge capture system and intuitive computerized provider order entry (CPOE). The hospitals will also receive EDIMS' other recent upgrades to 2.6, including its clinical decision support tools and redesigned nursing documentation module that automates charting and billing.

"As New Jersey's largest health care system, we needed a clinician-friendly yet powerful system. We were impressed by EDIMS' track-record of improving productivity and increasing charge capture, while maintaining and even increasing clinician satisfaction," said Joseph E. Sullivan, senior vice president and CIO of SBHCS. "EDIMS has already proven its ability to deliver excellent results at our Clara Maas Medical Center, so I am very pleased to now have them as a system-wide partner."

Sullivan added, "In this era of the HITECH component of ARRA, adding the CPOE module is especially important to our facilities as they will use its ED medication order entries – along with the inpatient entries – to help meet the requirements outlined in the final rules for 'Meaningful Use'. EDIMS not only helps our providers meet these criteria, it also helps us integrate all of a patient's medical records thanks to the system's ability to interoperate with our various systems. So, now we will also have better access to information across our system."

The SBHCS hospitals include:

- Community Medical Center: A 592-bed, fully accredited acute care hospital located in Toms River, N.J. that sees 100,000 ED patients annually.
- Kimball Medical Center: A 350-bed, fully accredited acute care hospital located in Lakewood, N.J. that sees 51,000 ED patients annually.
- Monmouth Medical Center: A 555-bed community teaching hospital located in Long Branch, N.J. that sees 53,000 ED patients annually.
- Clara Maass Medical Center: A 465-bed community hospital located in Belleville, N.J. that sees 70,000 ED patients annually.



- Newark Beth Israel Medical Center: A 673-bed regional care teaching hospital located in Newark, N.J. that sees 90,000 ED patients annually.
- Saint Barnabas Medical Center: A 597-bed teaching hospital located in Livingston, N.J.

“Saint Barnabas has a progressive vision to deliver better, safer and more streamlined care to patients,” said Shane Hade, CEO of EDIMS. “Our technology will help them to achieve this goal by simplifying documentation, facilitating communication and reducing the chance for errors. We look forward to working with their hospitals to drive ED quality and efficiency to higher levels.”

#### **About EDIMS LLC**

For over 20 years, EDIMS LLC has been delivering enhanced ED operations through its interoperable ED information management systems. Its electronic health record (EHR) solutions, designed to support clinicians' workflow and provide clinical decision support, are being used at 40 hospitals and long-term care facilities nationwide. EDIMS ability to provide comprehensive order entry, real-time charge capture, and to fully document ED patient encounters helps EDs improve reimbursement and enhance patient care while reducing the amount of time and effort involved in documentation and billing. For more information, visit [EDIMS.net](http://EDIMS.net).

#### **About the Saint Barnabas Health Care System**

The Saint Barnabas Health Care System is New Jersey's largest integrated health care delivery system. The System includes six acute-care facilities, more than 18,200 employees (second largest private employer in the state), 4,600 physicians (one-fifth of the state's practicing physicians) and 450 residents who provide treatment and services for more than two million patients each year: 225,000 inpatients and same day surgery patients, 452,000 Emergency Department patients and over 1.5 million outpatients, and 18,300 births.