



Thomson Reuters Clinical Surveillance Solution Offers Powerful New Functionality to Improve Clinical Quality and Reduce Costs

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ANN ARBOR, Mich., Nov. 9 /PRNewswire/ -- Thomson Reuters today announced the newest release of Clinical Xpert(TM) CareFocus, a leading clinical surveillance solution that enables hospitals to identify at-risk patients in real-time and respond immediately to improve clinical quality and reduce total cost of treatment.

This upgrade is available to current CareFocus customers at no additional cost.

CareFocus 2.0 contains several powerful enhancements that improve clinical quality and efficiency. New features include forms capture, e-mail and text notifications, additional searchable data elements and pre-configured profiles that target Patient Safety Indicators and Never Events (those events that never should occur such as serious disability associated with a medication error).

Forms Capture: With this feature, hospital clinicians can track and document their interventions with patients at the point-of-care via a mobile device or Web portal. Centralized, electronic forms allow multiple clinicians to see the same patient information -- anytime, anywhere. For example, a nurse care manager, infection control specialist, or pharmacist can view a patient's forms instantly when they appear on the clinician's auto-generated CareFocus patient list.

Improved Alerts: CareFocus 2.0 offers improved alerting capability that notifies clinicians of high-risk patients via email or text message, letting all relevant clinicians know about critical at-risk patients the moment they are identified.

Improved Access to Information: This latest release also includes the ability to query on additional data elements from the Medication Administration Record, working diagnosis, and active orders display.

Improved Reporting: The new functionality allows hospitals administrators to run customized summary reports for each forms category, making it easy to report on clinical activity and associated costs.

"Whether associating cost savings for an intravenous-to-oral medication conversion in the pharmacy or estimating the cost of successfully preventing an adverse event such as sepsis, users can quantify the impact of their work," said Jill Sutton, vice president of product management for the Healthcare & Science business of Thomson Reuters. "And hospitals can measure a tangible return on their IT investment."

CareFocus is part of the Clinical Xpert suite of workflow solutions (formerly MercuryMD MData) that has been recognized as a KLAS Category Leader for Mobile Data Systems for seven consecutive years. The Clinical Xpert suite includes the market-leading CareFocus clinical surveillance solution as well as offerings that provide easy access to critical patient information at the point of care, charge and procedure management, care team coordination, and medication reconciliation.

"With these new features, CareFocus will continue to help hospitals lower mortality, prevent Never Events, and reduce treatment costs," Sutton said.

To learn more about CareFocus, visit [here](http://thomsonreuters.com/products_services/healthcare/healthcare_products/clinical_deci_support/clinical_xpert_clinical_wfs/clinical_xpert_carefocus?parentKey=486686). (http://thomsonreuters.com/products_services/healthcare/healthcare_products/clinical_deci_support/clinical_xpert_clinical_wfs/clinical_xpert_carefocus?parentKey=486686)

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