Colorado Telehealth Network Signs Contract with GNAX Health to Provide Statewide Medical Image Archive and Exchange

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Summary: *The Colorado Telehealth Network (CTN) signed a contract today with GNAX Health to enable health care providers in Colorado to safely store and share medical images. GNAX Health is partnering with Acuo Technologies and Client Outlook to provide vendor-neutral archiving services and diagnostic-quality medical image viewing as part of the service.*

The Colorado Telehealth Network (CTN) developed a program that will enable hospitals, imaging centers, clinics and other health care providers in Colorado to safely store and share medical images through a private cloud hosted and managed by GNAX Health on CTN. CTN and GNAX Health are working with the Colorado Regional Health Information Organization (CORHIO) and Quality Health Network (QHN)—the two Colorado Health Information Exchanges—to image-enable their physician portals so that images and diagnostic reports will be available through the HIEs. GNAX Health will also allow CTN to offer disaster recovery and business continuity solutions. In addition, electronic medical records (EMRs) can be integrated with the infrastructure to provide physicians a single interface for viewing all medical images, which is a requirement for Stage 2 Meaningful Use.

Nine CHA member hospitals worked with CTN over the past eight months to develop the imaging program with input from hospitals across Colorado. After a thorough RFI process and evaluation of five solutions, CTN selected a solution provided by GNAX Health through a strategic alliance with Acuo Technologies and Client Outlook. The unique requirements of the CTN program required a specific set of capabilities that is best addressed through this strategic alliance. Several use cases—such as the ability to search, retrieve and exchange medical image studies federated across CTN and view images quickly from the cloud—led to this best-of-breed approach.

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