



Leading California Bay Area Healthcare Clinic Selects CompassCare Inc.


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Clinic Uses Technology to Advance Patient Care and Healthcare Operating Efficiency

CHICAGO, Nov. 9 /PRNewswire/ -- Dameron Hospital (Dameron), a leading provider of occupational healthcare (OccHealth) in Stockton, California, announced its selection of CompassCare Inc. to provide a clinical information system and communications platform. Dameron serves the rapidly growing San Francisco Bay area community of Stockton, a city that has grown from 244,000 to 280,000 people in the last 5 years.

"Dameron seeks to be at the forefront of patient care and we've found that adopting best-in-breed technologies like those offered by CompassCare improves more than our operating efficiency; it helps us improve the customer experience," said Dr. Corky Hull, Medical Director of Dameron's occupational healthcare clinic. Dr. Hull has been practicing medicine for more than 25 years and has been the clinic's Director since 1991.

The CompassCare clinical information system is the OccHealth industry's only fully-integrated system that combines the functionality of an electronic medical record (EMR) with a web-based communications platform linking healthcare providers, insurers, employers and third-party administrators. "Our practice implemented a computerized information system more than five years ago and gained significant efficiencies, however, we found the CompassCare system to be a significant advancement on the current state of technology," said Hull.

The CompassCare system is rules-based, which synchronizes workflow around the complex process of medical information management. It includes modules for billing, finance, scheduling, prescription, employer, case management and payer claim management. "Our HIPAA-compliant system creates all of the documents, including the Physician First Report, PR2, PR4's and all of the employer specific reports automatically at discharge, and communicates them to the appropriate people dramatically lowering costs while optimizing the entire communication process," says Stuart Johnstone, CEO of CompassCare.

With the CompassCare system installed, physicians in Dameron's OccHealth clinic will now enter their information on a tablet PC using stored responses to capture clinical notes in real-time while eliminating dictation and difficult-to-read handwriting. "The CompassCare system will significantly improve clinical documentation and operational efficiency while reducing costs and data entry errors," says Hull. The HIPAA-compliant system also stores and continuously backs-up the data for improved security and better record-keeping.

"Using conventional processes, it is not uncommon for a week or two to pass before clinical information makes its way from the doctor to the claims adjuster in its proper form," says Johnstone. "With CompassCare we are able to get information in the hands of claims adjusters at the time of discharge, which significantly improves our clients' operating efficiency and performance."

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