

Aprima Partners with Kno2 to Solve Meaningful Use 2 Transition of Care Measures for Their Providers

Kno2 interoperability platform solves challenging TOC electronic transmission requirements under Measure 2

BOISE, Idaho—Nov. 3, 2015—[Aprima Medical Software](#) has selected the [Kno2™](#) interoperability platform to enable its physician practices to easily and cost-effectively meet the requirements for electronic transmission of Transition of Care (TOC) documents mandated under [Meaningful Use Stage 2](#). Aprima recognized the challenge its providers face under this measure and has partnered with Kno2 to remove connectivity barriers by delivering a solution that enables any provider throughout the care continuum to participate in Direct messaging communications, regardless of their level of technology adoption.

The TOC attestation requirements under Measure 2 require that an eligible provider (EP) that transitions or refers patients to another care setting or provider must provide a summary of care record and transmit more than 10 percent of such transitions and referrals electronically. This measure was identified as one of the top two most difficult to achieve in a 2014 [iHealthBeat survey](#). Physician practices, in particular, continue to struggle to meet this requirement. Their electronic medical records (EMRs), such as Aprima, are Direct-messaging enabled, but they often must transition patients to providers that don't have this capability, thus preventing the referring provider from meeting the MU2 TOC measure.

“Our goal is to always ensure that our physician practice customers have access to the best, most user-friendly solutions that allow them to focus on patient care,” said Mark Richards, SVP of Sales & Marketing at Aprima. “Although our customers have achieved a high rate of meaningful use Stage 1 attestation and our EMR is MU2 certified and capable of Direct messaging, we have practices that are reaching out to us because their referral partners are still paper-based or have not upgraded their EMR software to handle Direct messaging. Our providers have long-standing relationships with their referral partners and would prefer to send Direct messages to these organizations instead of establishing new referral workflows or implementing other solutions to meet the measure.

Richards continued, “Partnering with Kno2 removes the connectivity barriers for our providers by offering a simple, online option for unconnected referral partners to register and obtain their own Direct addresses, whether they have an EMR or not. They can also receive TOC documents from not only our providers but any provider that is Direct capable.”

Kno2's free cloud-based solution allows any provider or provider organization to obtain their own Direct address(es) and connect within minutes to any other provider, whether or not they use an EMR. The Kno2 platform leverages providers' existing technology infrastructure—including EMRs, fax machines, printers and scanners—and even creates structured clinical document exchange from unstructured content. This allows information to flow freely and conform to any clinical workflow.

“The Kno2 platform was designed to solve the healthcare system’s seemingly intractable interoperability challenges,” explained Jon Elwell, Kno2’s CEO. “We can provide lasting interoperability throughout the care continuum that can be adopted by every type of care provider—ranging from primary care, specialist physicians, hospitals and health systems to emergency medical services, long-term and post-acute care organizations, and home health and behavioral health providers.”

About Aprima Medical Software, Inc.

Aprima provides innovative electronic health record, practice management and revenue cycle management solutions for medical practices. The Aprima EHR/PM is an integrated system built on a single database. Aprima uses a fast, flexible design that adapts automatically to a physician’s workflow and sets the benchmark for ease-of-use, speed and flexibility. Aprima is one of the few companies with a 17-year track record of success, including **Certification for Meaningful Use Stage 2**. Thousands of Aprima users are benefiting from improved quality of care, improved patient satisfaction, improved quality of life and an improved bottom line. Based in Carrollton, TX, Aprima performs all development, support and implementation from the U.S. To learn more about how Aprima can help your practice, please visit www.aprima.com, call us at 866-960-6890, option 7, or email us at info@aprima.com.

About Kno2

Kno2 solves interoperability for everyone in healthcare. Physician practices, emergency medical services, long-term and post-acute care, behavioral health providers and more use Kno2 to securely exchange clinical information—without changing their workflow or technology infrastructure. The innovative cloud-based platform creates clinical document exchange from all common document sources, from electronic medical records to faxes and printers. Even healthcare providers with limited resources can participate in the simple, structured exchange of clinical documents. Learn more about how Kno2 solves interoperability for the entire healthcare continuum at www.kno2.com.