



Health IT Vendor Supports Interoperability Rule Compliance, Data Analytics

A health IT vendor is focusing on helping organizations comply with 21st Century Cures Act interoperability requirements and boost data analytics.

December 16, 2021 – Health IT vendor Greenway Health has announced new capabilities set to come out later next year that aim to help clients comply with 21st Century Cures Act interoperability requirements and advance cloud-based data analytics.

The 21st Century Cures Act's requirements mark a shift toward greater patient access to health information and enhanced interoperability across the care continuum.

In addition to delivering these capabilities to its clients, Greenway Health has created educational content and will expand its Greenway Insights offerings to include a proprietary data management platform.

Greenway Insights is a cloud-based, data services platform that creates data insights. Announced in 2020, Greenway Insights is built on Amazon Web Services (AWS), Inc. The platform's new features will support advanced data analytics and allow Greenway's Intergy and Prime Suite EHR clients to store electronic health information in a secure, data-agnostic environment.

Development efforts for these new capabilities are currently underway, with 21st Century Cures certified versions of both Intergy and Prime Suite EHR products planned for release later next year.

"The 21st Century Cures Act presented a unique opportunity for Greenway to support our clients as trusted advisors with rich educational content while also delivering the technical requirements through an innovative new data management platform on Greenway Insights," David Cohen, Greenway Health chief product and technology officer, noted in a public statement.

"These new capabilities will empower patients by giving them more control of their protected health data and will help drive practice success by increasing access to robust reporting and predictive analytics tools," Cohen said.

Greenway Insights enhanced features will support improved data processing performance for regulatory reporting and access to integrated SMART-on-FHIR health applications, according to the company.

Additionally, Greenway clients who utilize Greenway's secure cloud will experience a fully cloud-based experience. This means that organizations can move their infrastructure and storage requirements from local services to Greenway servers, which is expected to increase data security.

With a compliance date for information blocking in April 2021, healthcare providers and staff have developed an increased interest in educational content about the topic, including how requirements will affect their practices.

"My staff and I have come to rely on Greenway Health's expertise when it comes to 21st Century Cures concerns, and they help us stay informed ahead of the curve with what's to come, as the requirements can be a complicated topic," said Jessica Jones, clinical informatics supervisor with The Doctors Clinic, a Greenway client in Silverdale, Washington.

Earlier this month, Greenway met the second major milestone in the journey to become 21st Century Cures certified when ONC certified the vendor's real-world testing plans and listed them on the Certified Health IT Product Listing (CHPL).

These new requirements from ONC aim to help provide assurance that health IT functions effectively in a production environment.