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Pharmacists can now complete more accurate and timely audits

SEATTLE, WA and AUCKLAND, NEW ZEALAND, April 6, 2010 – Adapx (www.adapx.com), the company that is changing the way mobile teams collect data and collaborate, and Touching Base today announced that New Zealand's Northland District Health Board (DHB) is using Capturx™ Forms for Excel to collect data for medication chart audits. The time consuming process of documenting items such as in-patient medication, allergies/adverse drug reactions, and standing order medication has been dramatically reduced from 10 hours per audit to minutes, enabling pharmacists to spend more time on the floor completing clinical tasks instead of being expensive data entry clerks.

The Northland DHB provides health and disability services for the Te Tai Tokerau communities of New Zealand's Northern Region. To ensure quality control and find areas for continual improvement, DHB audits its medication charts to meet standards including recorded allergies, legible handwriting, presence of signatures and dates, and clear and accurate prescribing of specified durations of antibiotic therapy. Collecting and reviewing this paper-based data is important but also created an administrative burden for the NDHB.

"Collecting data for audit medication charts has been an incredibly time-consuming activity that was fraught with data integrity issues," explained Jillian Sutherland, pharmacy professional advisor at Northland DHB. "With Capturx, there is no more phone, data transfer, email, or cutting and pasting. The inherent risk of jumbled data is eliminated. Now, we just plug in the pen, download the data, and we have instant graphs that we can share with our colleagues."

Using Capturx, medication chart audit forms are created within Excel and printed on normal paper using a standard office printer. As the forms print, Capturx creates a unique digital watermark which can be read by the digital pen. When the pharmacist writes on the form using the digital pen, it creates a normal ink record of the data collected and makes a digital copy which it stores on the pen's memory. Once all the data is collected, the pen is docked on a PC or laptop and the medication charts automatically appear in Excel. After a quick check for data integrity, the job is complete and data such as inpatient medication, allergies/adverse drug reactions, and standing order medication are immediately available to the rest of DHB's administration and staff. Teams have access to the original handwriting, signatures, converted data tables, as well as, validation of the date and time that data was actually written on paper.

Sutherland adds, "*Capturx is the only solution that provides faster and more reliable access to data for accurate reporting. Handwritten data is automatically integrated, converted to text, and summarized to provide us with quick metrics such as percentages and graphical reports.*"

To view the complete case study on how Northland DHB is using Capturx Forms for Excel, visit the Adapx Web site at: www.adapx.com/northlanddhb.

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Adapx is changing the way mobile teams collect data and collaborate with Capturx™ software for digital pens. A broad range of industries and agencies use Capturx products as natural interfaces into Microsoft Office, GIS, and CAD systems through digital pens and voice. Teams can immediately collect and access data in native file formats and systems without the delay and cost of transcribing paper or deploying mobile computers. Adapx has strategic partnerships with Microsoft, ESRI, Lockheed Martin, In-Q-Tel, and works with standard digital pen technology from Anoto. For more information, please visit www.adapx.com or follow Adapx on Twitter at www.twitter.com/Capturx.



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