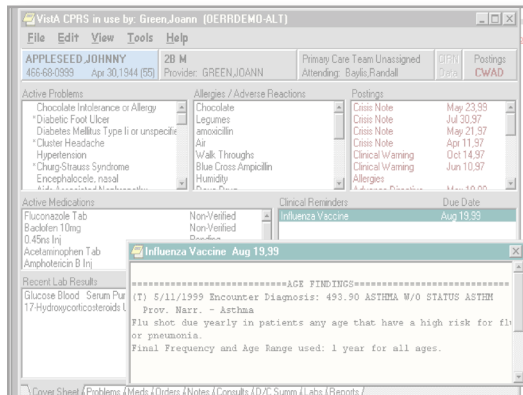




VistA Imaging System



Complete Multi-media Electronic Health Care Record Integrates Medical Images and Scanned Documents in the Patient's Chart

The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) Complete Multi-media Electronic Health Care Record:

- ★ Integrates medical images and other multi-media objects including scanned documents, video, sound, and waveforms
- ★ Allows nationwide access throughout all VA health care facilities

VistA Imaging enhances patient care by incorporating various types of medical images into each patient's medical record. These images span a range of specialties, including radiology, pathology, cardiology, wound care, endoscopy, surgery, eye care, dental, nursing, and many others.

All VA medical facilities utilize VistA Imaging, which provides a variety of benefits such as:

- ★ Direct linkage between images and their associated medical reports
- ★ Standardized index terms that allow users easy access to images
- ★ Improved continuity of care through clinician access to all images and records during the patient's visit, including images captured and stored at other VA and DoD locations
- ★ Improved image interpretation through manipulation of digital images, direct comparison over time, and 3-D image reconstruction
- ★ Adoption of telemedicine technologies, provided by VistA Imaging, benefits both VA and the Veteran by allowing remote interpretation of studies by specialists in other VA medical facilities

- ★ Patient waiting times and travel costs are reduced
- ★ Operational expenses are reduced
- ★ Customer service and education is improved

Vista Imaging helps train new clinicians across the county:

- ★ Provides a powerful teaching tool for all VA caregivers
- ★ Provides a useful recruitment tool for medical residents, fellows, and staff

For more information about the VistA Imaging System, visit <http://www.va.gov/imaging/>

