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Customer Release Notes

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New Features

Summary

- Mobile billing users can now specify separate ordering facility locations for the POS and responsible payer on claims
- Users can now add keyboard shortcuts for the following viewer functions: Next Study, Next Series, Previous Series, Close Series, Close Study, and Reset Frame.
- In the Alberta configuration, users can (and are required to) enter the date of referral on WCB form C568 claims.
- In the Alberta configuration, users can now add up to five body parts to employement-related claims.
- In the Alberta configuration, users can now specify whether or not employment related injuries were cumulative.
- In the Alberta configuration, Exa PACS/RIS now supports processing ERA/EOB files in the format used by Alberta WCB.
- Exa PACS/RIS now supports the use of Imagine Software for verifying insurance eligibility and estimating patient costs.
- In Physician's Portal, users can now evaluate orders against Medicare acceptible use criteria by using a dedicated LogicNets CDSM workflow.
- In the Alberta configuration, users can now generate WCB export files in the format required by the Alberta WCB clearinghouse.
- The Alberta configuration now supports WCB C570 templates for correction claims.
- Mobile billing users can now configure rules for ordering facilities to automatically add exam, modality, prep, and other fees to a procedure's default fee.
- The dispatching dashboard worklist now includes a searchable/sortable column for the ZIP code of the dispatching address.
- When configuring ordering facilities, users can now add billing rules to define the amounts charged for services.
- When estimating insurance, users can now view, print, and email a formal estimation letter.
- Users can now check eligibility and view estimates directly from the manual authorization dialog box.
- Users can now configure whether to output HL7 messages, faxes, emails, and pintouts based on HL7 global, study status, and routing rule triggers.
- Users can now configure whether to send faxes upon receipt of inbound HL7 ORU messages.
- KM staff can now enable and configure CDSM and AUC features.
- KM staff can now enter the credentials and keys needed by an installation to sign up for service with LogicNets.



Customer Requested Improvements

Summary

- In the Alberta configuration, the most recent AHS claim number now appears in the transaction history of claim inquiries.
- In the Alberta configuration, users can (and are required to) enter a WCB claim number for employment related claims.
- In the Alberta configuration, when WCB is the responsible payer, users are now required to enter the WCB claim number on claims.
- In the Alberta configuration, the EDI/ERA template and clearinghouse setup screens are now available.
- In the Alberta configuration, when editing claims, now only the primary contact of a referring provider can be selected.
- Radiologists can now use Dragon and Exa Dictation together in order to hear audio clips, submit for review, approve, and view text in Web Trans.
- Improved sharing of private DMs.
- Exa PACS/RIS can now make up to 6 connections to image servers.
- When configuring a facility, users can now enter the ImagineSoft provider ID that replaces the facility ID when transacting with ImagineSoftware.
- PR (GSPS) DICOM objects sent from Intelerad are now recognized by the Exa PACS/RIS viewer as DICOM overlays that can be turned ON and OFF.
- Improved the way the Exa PACS/RIS viewer parses DICOM tags to determine which annotations to display.
- In the Alberta configuration, KM staff can now enter template names for Alberta WCB new and correction claims.
- In the Alberta configuration, Exa PACS/RIS now converts any EOB codes it finds in WCB return files to CAS codes, and stores them.
- Resolved errors related to speech mics when closing Exa Trans.
- In Canadian configurations, Exa PACS/RIS now supports WCB Billing for Alberta patients who have both Alberta and non-Alberta health cards.
- In the Alberta configuration, added file types for newly submitted claims, correction claims, and payment files.
- Added support for file extensions required by certain organizations for claim files.
- Users can now delete DM groups from their own pool of available DM groups.
- In the Ontario configuration, the OHIP claim number now appears in the transaction history of claim inquiries.
- Exa PACS/RIS now fully supports LDAPS by storing additional server information in its database.
- Exa PACS/RIS now ensures that orders numbers are unique, in part by using company code prefixes.
- Exa PACS/RIS can now add or update providers and provider contacts based on inbound MFN^M02 type HL7 messages.



Summary

- Exa Dictation can now be used with any version of Exa PACS/RIS.
- Added user rights to check insurance eligibility and view estimates.
- Users can now exempt selected DM cells from stacking MG images by view or prior.
- Users of nVoq can now add vocabulary words and phrases to improve voice recognition.
- Added a rule to auto-split series by differing trigger time.
- Administrators can now enable or disable the use of dictation microphone buttons to approve reports.
- Improved the capacity and processing ability of the DICOM compression service.
- In Mobile Billing, exam override rules only affect fees if the ordering facility is the responsible payer.
- In mobile billing, when the patient has no insurance, fees are determined by the self pay fee schedule under certain conditions.
- When receiving an order, Exa PACS/RIS can now automatically identify and map the ordering facility.
- Added a user right for billing rules.
- For mobile billing, professional and technical fees manually modified by the user are now applied to claims.
- For mobile billing, users can now specify a default ordering facility on the patient chart, and a study-level ordering facility in the Edit Study screen and New Appointment screen.
- For Mobile Rad billing, added charge types for insurance and ordering facility that facilitate advanced automatic invoice preparation for certain orders.
- In the Patient Information tab of the patient chart and Edit Study screen, the Ordering Facility dropdown list now contains ordering facility locations and contacts.
- In the US configuration, users of Mobile RAD can now configure charge types, and Exa PACS/RIS can now automatically create separate claims for ordering facility charges.
- Information based on POS maps is now automatically added to claims and other areas of the program.
- Mobile billing users can now configure rules to automatically add charges for after-hours procedures.
- Mobile RAD now supports the Android operating system.
- Users can now display transaction detail comments as alerts on selected screens.
- Improved the way hypothesis text is buffered to avoid erroneously long speech capture.
- Further improved the way insurance policies are made active or inactive, how the Valid To date is determined, and how that information is communicated to the user.
- Improved the way Exa PACS/RIS handles study statuses of studies being editing by multiple simultaneous users.
- Schedule rules names can now include up to 511 characters.
- Users can now re-estimate insurance costs and perform related tasks in a dedicated screen.
- When scheduling appointments back to back, users can now specify a maximum delay between appointments
 of Same Day, which returns all available timeslots on that day with 0 or more hours of delay.



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- Exa PACS/RIS can now pass the Selected Series UID or Image UID to an external (third-party) tool.
- Exa PACS/RIS can now import multiple cc providers from a single line of an HL7 message.
- Macro keywords in transcription templates now support numbers and special characters.
- When using nVoq, added features to better manage and edit substitutions.

Other Improvements

Summary

- If an AUC consultation recommends at least one CPT that has no matching appointment type in Exa PACS/RIS, the user is informed which CPTs are not matched.
- Improved the way nVoq handles capitalization.
- In nVoq, after inserting a transcription template, the cursor now appears at the first variable, if one is available.
- Insurance eligibility checks and estimations can now be made from withn Exa PACS/RIS by using ImagineSoft.
- · Made further improvements to DM copying and sharing.
- The Exa Mobile viewer now supports multiframe series, and the Span tool.
- Users are now prevented from adding inactive user roles to user groups.
- Users can now assign one (only) email template of each category to a facility.
- Users can now configure a color in which to display 3D CAD SR markings when hovering over them.
- Users can now save blank notification templates.
- Users of nVoq can now use the Delete That, Scratch That, or Undo voice commands to delete up to the last 10 returned instances of stable text.
- When a user selects a 2D image annotation to jump to the corresponding 3D instance, Exa PACS/RIS now displays the corresponding annotations on the 3D instance.
- When creating orders, physicians can now match existing appointment types and modalities with CPTs recommended by AUC consultations.
- When insurance eligibility is manually verified or removed, activity log and system audit log entries are now added.
- When nVoq users stop recording, nVoq now pauses for 30 seconds, during which time users can use certain voice commands and restart recording.
- When performing MPR, the user is now notified of approximate measurements if the gantry tilt is 15 degrees or greater under certain conditions. 3D ROI remains temporarily unavailable in this release.
- When using nVoq, improved the way dictated words are capitalized and spaced.
- Added a column for insurance provider code to the POS Map screen.
- For mobile billing, improved the way charge types are applied to the different ordering facility types on claims.



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- Improved the way claim statuses are made available and displayed depending on country, insurer, and payers.
- In the Alberta configuration, the Explanation of Benefits (EOB) screen is now available.
- In the Alberta configuration, users can now select skill codes when editing claims, and Exa PACS/RIS submits claims with the correct skill codes for the payer.
- Opal Import now supports importing of series in which DICOM tag 0028;0004 is set to MONOCHROME2.
- The Auto Open Next Study feature now skips partially deleted studies.
- The DICOM and Opal Listener services now provide compression and transcoding functionality for received images.
- To improve API connectivity, added checks to ensure that services time out per design constraints.
- To improve dictation performance in nVoq, administrators can now adjust the audio buffer time.
- Users can now import appointment types with more than 64 characters in the name and description.
- When creating a patient chart and scheduling an exam, Exa PACS/RIS now validates patient information before opening the Medicare insurance pop-up window.
- When sorting the worklist by column, empty values now appear at the end of the list regardless of the sort order (ascending or descending).
- When using MPR, the program now notifies the user if a high gantry tilt causes measurements to become approximate.
- · Various improvements to performance and the UI.