

#### SMARTworks<sup>®</sup> iMedConsent™

# Standardize and Automate the Informed Consent Process

The iMedConsent™ solution standardizes and automates the informed consent and other patient communication processes. This web-based tool prepares easy-to-understand, procedure-specific consent forms for more than 2,200 treatments and procedures. The clinical content library includes anatomical images, discharge instructions, drug monographs and over 4,000 patient education documents.

Trusted by more than 200 hospitals, and in thousands of physician practices, this novel solution conveniently prints customized forms. It can also be configured to electronically manage documents. Signatures may be obtained using digitized signature capture pads or tablet computers. Signed documents may be automatically stored to the EHR or to the document management system, thus eliminating scanning and ensuring that critical documents are never lost or misplaced.

### The iMedConsent™ application assists with:

- Reducing risk
- Enhancing patient safety
- Ensuring compliance
- Increasing patient satisfaction
- Achieving meaningful use requirements
- Lowering costs

"... programs, such as the iMedConsent™ software currently used by the Department of Veterans Affairs hospitals, may free up physicians to address individual patient concerns more effectively."

-JAMA. 2011;305(11):1130-1131.



## Standardize Your Most Critical Patient Communication Documents

The iMedConsent™ application enhances the education, discussion and documentation of informed consent and other patient communication processes. Detailed consent documents are key to mitigating risk and enhancing patient safety. It has been estimated that 45 percent of wrong-site surgeries could be eliminated simply by having a properly completed consent form (Campbell. Morbidity & Mortality Rounds on the Web. June 2004.)

### Focus on patient care, not managing paper:

Comprehensive Library: In addition to procedure-specific consent forms covering 2,200 treatments and procedures, the iMedConsent™ application includes a library of over 4,000 patient education documents, pre- and post-procedure instructions, anatomical images, and prescription drug and OTC medication monographs. All easy-to-understand consent forms and patient education materials are available in Spanish.

Fully Integrated: The completely web-based iMedConsent™ application—available in hospital-hosted and software-as-service configurations—interfaces with all EHR and document management systems. The flexible tool allows for remote completion of the hospital consent in the physician's office.

Lowers Costs: Whether it is scanning costs, operating room delays due to lost consent forms or the professional liability costs associated with a possible complication that was disclosed but not documented, the iMedConsent™ application is integral to your efforts to improve efficiency and minimize enterprise risk.

Improves Patient Satisfaction: Supplying patients with easy-to-understand consent forms and patient education materials may improve satisfaction with care. In one study, over 96 percent of patients preferred the standardized electronic approach as compared to the traditional, hand-written approach to supplying consent forms (Issa, et al. The Journal of Urology. 2006;176:694-699.)

#### **Supports Meaningful Use Initiatives:**

The iMedConsent™ application can be configured to provide an electronic copy of hospital discharge instructions upon request, identify patient-specific education resources and provide those to the patient as appropriate, and record advance directives. All three of those functions are Stage I meaningful use requirements.



