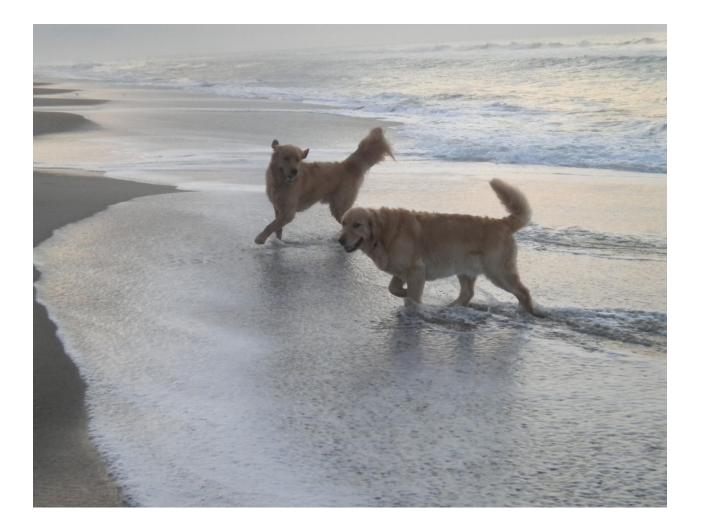
#### Leveraging Informatics to Boost Local Pathology: How We Interface with Epic's EMR and Psyche to Monitor Client Service in Real Time

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- Evolution of one large, successful interface project with greater than 60 clients on one interface
- The background of the players in this project
- The build and design
- The implementation and daily monitoring
- The future
- How this project has given our local pathology group a "golden" opportunity in the market.



# The Players Pathologists Diagnostic Lab Psyche Novant Epic

#### **History Lesson: My Background**

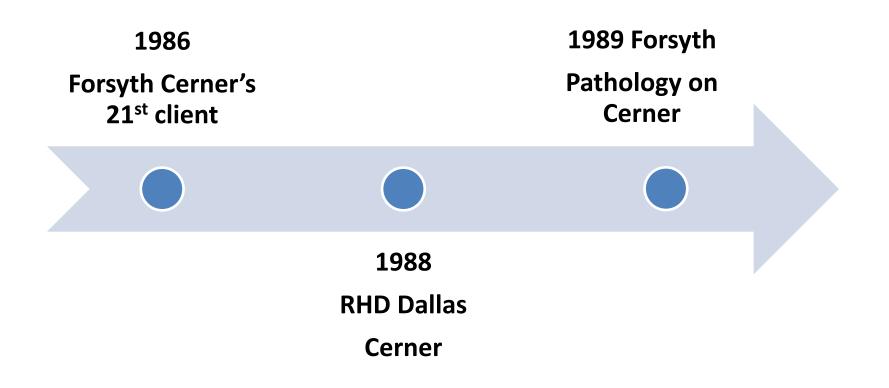
#### The 1980's

#### **First hospital lab software conversions**

#### **Forsyth Memorial Hospital** Medical Technology Class



#### The 80's continued



#### The 1990's

#### **The Computer Age**

Athens, GA



#### Shadowfax Farm

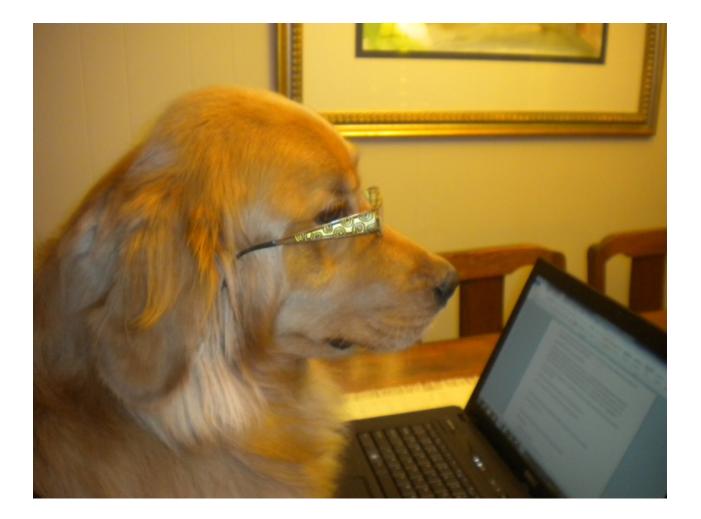
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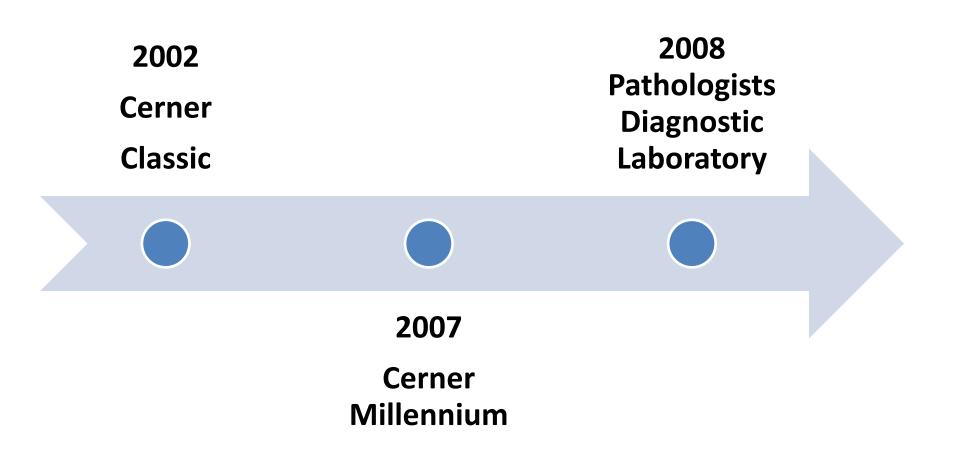
#### The 2000's

#### Interfaces

#### Novant Health, Winston-Salem

#### Time to catch up





### Interfaces in 2008

 Pathologists Diagnostic Laboratory had interfaces with Novant and PSA billing

• No client interfaces and a list of clients that were ready for interfaces with their EMR's

• Let the work begin!

#### 2008 - Current Day

# Three major commercial labs are located within 45 minutes of Winston-Salem.



# The Players Pathologists Diagnostic Lab Psyche Novant Epic

### **Pathologists Diagnostic Laboratory**

- Anatomic Pathology, Flow Cytometry and Cytology
- Serve 5 Novant hospitals and 2 independent hospitals
- 37 employees
- Pathologists Diagnostic Services (PDS)
  - 7 pathologists
- Cutaneous Pathology (CP)
  - 2 pathologists



#### **PDL Information Technology Team** Julie Williams & Kevin Lipford

### PDL Interfaces today

- Epic
- eClinicalworks
- Nextech
- Provation
- Digichart
- Allscripts
- Allscripts Myways
- Orchard
- Greenway
- eMD
- Suitemed
- AthenaHealth
- Modernizing Medicine



- Psyche Systems is focused exclusively on delivering laboratory software solutions to hospitals, clinics, reference and private labs for over 37 years.
- Psyche's software solutions include LIS software for clinical, anatomic pathology, microbiology and molecular labs as well as connectivity solutions for achieving Meaningful Use and fast, cost-effective growth such as Outreach and a suite of EMR connectivity solutions.
- Psyche's WindoPath LIS is consistently the top ranked best-of-breed AP system on the market.
- <u>www.psychesystems.com</u>

### It is all about the partnership



### **Psyche's role**

- WindoPath database is remote hosted
- Reliability –working relationship
- Ease of Use Windopath & Outreach are user friendly and have met and exceeded our needs
- Development of products client input
- Outreach and Outreach Manager evolved

### **Novant Health**

- The system has 13 hospitals, more than 500 physicians clinics, outpatient surgery, imaging and diagnostic centers, rehabilitation programs and community health outreach programs.
- Novant employs 26,000 people and has more than 1,100 physicians in its medical group
- Novant needed an enterprise wide software solution

# Epic would allow Novant to reach their goals...



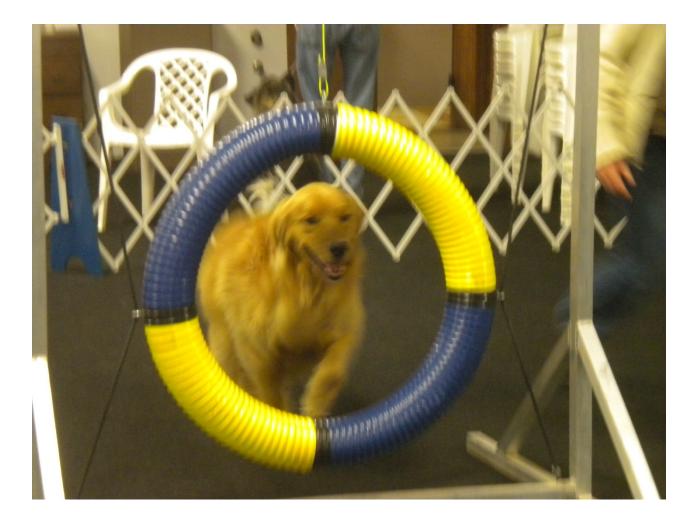
### Epic

- Founded in 1979, Epic is private and employeeowned. They develop, install and support all applications in-house.
- Epic's leadership team includes clinicians, developers and process experts – people deeply experienced in patient care and healthcare technology.
- The award-winning EpicCare EMR is known for being fast and physician-friendly

### Presbyterian Pathology Group

- WindoPath site security feature
- PPG purchased Psyche WindoPath after trial period using PDL's database
- Team work on Epic interface
- Shared costs

#### Many EMR projects require that we ...



### The Novant Plan

- Novant had hundreds of physician practices to bring up on Epic
- Scheduled live dates every other month with 20-30 practices each go live
- Started January 2012
- Last major 'go live' scheduled for July 2013
- One interface with Psyche that would split through Cloverleaf engine to PDL & PPG

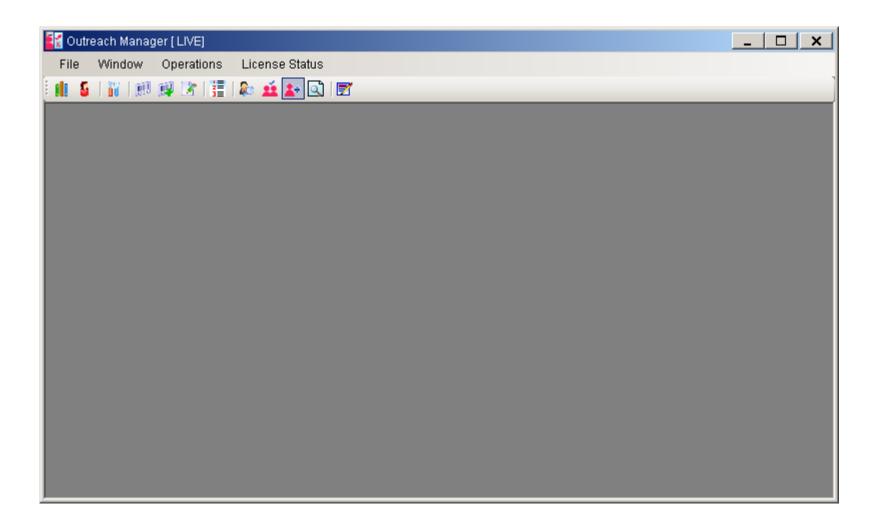
### **Psyche – Epic Interface**

- Quotes –shared interface with PPG
- Kickoff call in Fall of 2011
- Connectivity
- Specifications
- Insurance Master for Import
- Build Phase
- "The Conference Call"
- Testing: Unit & Integration

### What's involved?

- How do we manage this interface?
- How do we build clients on to the interface?
- How do we maintain and monitor this interface?
- How do we handle > 60 clients to date on this one interface?
- Answer: Psyche's Outreach Manager

#### **Outreach Manager**



#### Psyche: Outreach Manager

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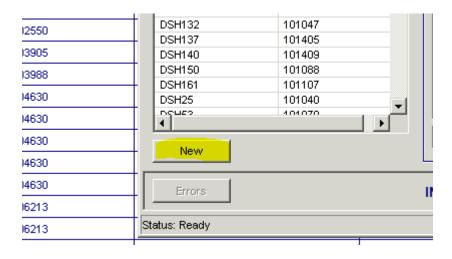
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### Novant Epic Ambulatory Stats

- 352 clinics live on PM (1461 Providers)
- 247 clinics live on EHC (893 Providers)
- >12,000 average daily patient encounters
- Over 120,000 MyChart users
- >4500 concurrent users
- 113,912 cumulative training hours
- Initial rollout to be completed July, 2013

### **Lessons Learned**

#### The Positives:

- Psyche designed the interface to easily add clients
- One day intense "all hands on deck" testing
- One interface, one quote for > 60 clients

#### The 'not so' positives:

- Training should be designed to include all types of orders, both clinical lab and Anatomic Pathology orders.
- Set up template for testing after upgrades or seek therapy!

### Therapy



#### Future

• Final Novant Medical Group offices

• Novant Community Connect

• Epic Acute rollout

### Summary

- History of the Project
- Build, Design & Implementation
- Future of the project
- How the project has boosted our local Pathology group



#### Cast

#### Sherman & Murphy Williams



#### Happy Birthday Mom! To another year of swinging!

### Q&A?

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