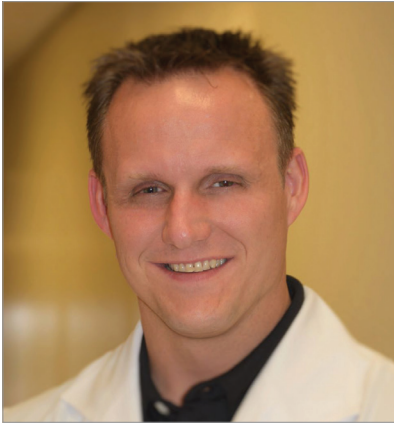# Southeast Dermatology Streamlines Their Pathology Process and Saves Time with modmed Pathology™

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Key Benefits of modmed Pathology:
- Integration with EMA Dermatology® enhances workflow
- Data automation saves time
- Seamless transition to ICD-10 helps support more accurate billing
- Increased efficiency with customization and adaptability

Background

With eight physicians on staff, Southeast Dermatology in Pasadena, Texas, decided to onboard a dermatopathologist who would handle both the technical and professional components of their pathology process.

Dermatologist and dermatopathologist Dr. Matthew Petitt explains, "With the pathology software that was in place, we would have to manually enter the data from the pathology requisitions into EMA Dermatology and our practice management system. This inefficient process caused us to enter information into multiple systems, duplicating efforts and increasing room for error."

The team at Southeast Dermatology made the decision to implement modmed Pathology, which is a pathology module that fully integrates with their electronic medical record (EMR) system, EMA Dermatology. "Since implementing modmed Pathology, we have simplified our pathology lab process which has freed up time that was spent on reporting and manually entering data. Inputting the gross descriptions is almost four times as fast compared to our old process. Also, duplicate data entry has been eliminated, decreasing the probability of errors," said Dr. Petitt.

Streamlined Process

By implementing modmed Pathology, Southeast Dermatology eliminated the time-consuming work and effort required for each pathology report. "Every time we would complete a pathology report in our old system, we would have to print out the report, upload it into EMA Dermatology, manually enter the results and then enter the charges into our practice management system. Now this process has been streamlined drastically," said Dr. Petitt.

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visit, biopsy pictures and pathology reports all in one system," Dr. Petitt explained. "Once I complete the lab report it auto populates the results into the patient chart and the clinician has instant access to the data. They are able to sign off and the charges will automatically bridge to our practice management system."

"We have also improved our communication amongst the staff by having access to intramail in the lab which enables us to communicate efficiently across multiple office locations. Use of intramail also allows me to answer questions securely from outside the office and I don't have to worry about HIPAA violations or patient information being compromised," shares Dr. Petitt.

Billing Made Easy

With a charge bridge, EMA Dermatology automatically sends the charges to Southeast Dermatology's practice management system eliminating time consuming manual entry of hundreds of bills.

"Before implementing modmed Pathology, every time I signed out of a report I would print out a billing sheet and the office staff would have to manually enter the billing information into our practice management system. Now when I sign out of a case in modmed Pathology, the charges bridge seamlessly to our practice management system for billing," said Dr. Petitt.

"EMA Dermatology also generates the ICD-10 and CPT codes for me that I can quickly review. The ICD-10 transition was amazing and seamless. I was worried about coming into work that day but it is beautiful the way EMA Dermatology generates those codes for us and shows the old ICD-9 code right next to it. It gives me a lot of comfort knowing I'm billing appropriately."

Customizable Solution

modmed Pathology comes equipped with over 900 diagnoses, 100 stains and abbreviations built directly into the module, which can be customized to fit dermatopathologist's preferences.

"modmed Pathology gives you a fantastic starting point to build your own database and provides a framework to customize to your personal preferences and situation," Dr. Petitt said. "You can tweak different features and modmed Pathology will adapt to your workflow. Modernizing Medicine hit a homerun with this system."