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Carego software to further remote health clinics

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Singapore: US-based healthcare solution company, Carego International, has launched a new software built with the Progress Pacific platform-as-a-service (PaaS) to help remote health clinics improve quality of care in developing regions around the world.

Carego International improves the health status of underserved populations by advancing healthcare delivery through both innovative modular facilities and cloud-based IT solutions. While working to bring turnkey clinics and hospitals to countries like Kenya in the mid 2000's, CEO Steve Landman found that existing medical software used by hospitals wasn't compatible with local needs, largely due to complexity and an inability to tolerate frequent Internet service outages common in developing regions.

After an initial effort using Salesforce.com failed to meet requirements and translation needs, Carego turned to the Progress Pacific application development platform. Using the visual development and cloud capabilities of the Progress Pacific solution, the company built Carego Complete, an integrated, cloud-based electronic health records (EHR) Practice Management application that automates clinical, hospital and business processes for small clinics to large hospitals. The low-cost, easy-to-deploy and manage solution reduces redundancy and errors, while improving productivity and quality of patient care. It also enables the ability to capture massive amounts of valuable data that would otherwise go undocumented.

Carego Complete helps medical organizations streamline operations with its intuitive and user-friendly features, which include patient scheduling, charting and history, electronic prescriptions, referral lab tests, billing and more. Because Carego customers operate in developing areas around the world, it is critical that the Progress solution enables Carego Complete to function anywhere, and with minimal management complexity. Carego is currently using Progress Pacific software to add mobile functionality in future releases of the application for its existing clientele worldwide.

Mr. Steve Landman, CEO at Carego International, said, "By providing administrative and clinical staff with complete and immediate access to patient health information, our clients can expedite, personalize and improve the quality of care for underserved people around the world. Adoption has been a success everywhere it has been implemented because the Progress Pacific platform has helped us make and deploy a solution that is intuitive and easy to explain."

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Mr. John Goodson, chief product officer at Progress, said, "This is a great example of how the cloud and rapid application development technology can produce real-world benefits for millions of people in an impactful way. The SaaS model that Carego has adopted with the Progress Pacific platform is very compelling on a number of fronts, and from a business perspective it has helped them go to market 50 percent faster than they would have been able to with another platform."

Mr. Stephen McNulty, Managing Director, Asia Pacific and Japan from Progress said, "The Progress Pacific platform has proven to be invaluable in helping to streamline essential healthcare management systems. We predict that these solutions will become vital in places like Southeast Asia, where national networks are unable to support high speed data, created by increasingly popular healthcare mobile apps. Organisations in developing countries like Indonesia, the Philippines and Vietnam are in need of a quick and easy-to-use solution to create and deploy electronic healthcare records applications, unlimited by the speed of their networks. Carego International is an excellent success case study, demonstrating how Progress Pacific can be used to develop fast, efficient and user-friendly solutions to benefit any healthcare organisation."