

# Accelerated MEDITECH 6.1 Migration Achieves Goal of Fully Integrated EHR

## Challenge

Having a future-focused mindset and keeping pace with organizational growth, Anderson Regional Medical Center leadership made a strategic decision to migrate from the MEDITECH MAGIC EHR it had been using for 18 years to the state-of-the-art MEDITECH 6.1 platform. Anderson's leadership set out with a goal of implementing a fully integrated EHR and saw the introduction of MEDITECH's READY implementation plan, as well as MEDITECH's solid integration history, as offering an ideal path in fulfilling that goal.

It would also position Anderson to achieve Meaningful Use and other business and patient care goals.

### About Anderson Regional Medical Center

- Licensed Beds: 260
- Founded: 1929
- Non-Profit
- Accredited by The Joint Commission and Recipient of Gold Seal of Approval

## Solution

Anderson leadership engaged Tegria as the consulting partner for the large, complex implementation project. At the time, Tegria had already gone LIVE with several READY implementations, had several others underway, and was well equipped with the necessary experience to support Anderson with the project despite its challenging 15-month timeframe.



Across the board, this implementation exceeded expectations. The collaboration and teamwork demonstrated between our hospital, MEDITECH and Tegria is truly outstanding. We are seeing the results of these teams working together over the past several months. There is trust, respect and a unified goal of success. This is quite impressive to witness.

— John Anderson, CEO

The migration kicked off with the Tegria project manager and a team of experienced subject matter experts working closely with MEDITECH to establish structure and set expectations, particularly around project governance, management, preparation and resourcing. With a steadfast Meaningful Use deadline looming, the accelerated 15-month project timeline required creative measures for on-time completion. The Tegria team immediately went to work developing the project roadmap, including the project plan, project charter and governance model, as well as change management and communication plans to ensure the right people would get the right information at the right time.

Throughout the project, Tegria worked closely with MEDITECH to identify opportunities to streamline implementation processes and leverage the broad knowledge of Tegria skilled subject matter experts resulting in an on-time Go-LIVE.

## Results

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The 400-bed healthcare system, which provides the area's first cardiovascular surgery program, a regional cancer center, a level II NICU, and a level III trauma center, immediately witnessed increased Case Mix Index and other clinical and revenue cycle workflow efficiencies. Other results of the project included:

- Fully integrated EHR
- On-time Go-LIVE
- Meaningful use achievement
- Improved clinical workflows
- Efficiencies in revenue cycle workflows
- Increased case mix index
- Improved financial reporting
- Streamlined processes to achieve business and patient care goals



We felt that an integrated system was a must. With our MEDITECH 6.1 solution, we are already seeing workflow efficiencies, quality improvements, and improved financial performance reporting. Together, we worked through the transformational process to reach our purpose—achieving a fully integrated EHR. I can't say enough about the READY methodology.

– Steve Taylor, CIO