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Special Points of Interest:

- Governor’s Hurricane Conference
- Hip Printer
- MedCorr 2.7 Training

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VISUAL RECORDS EXHIBITS AT GOVERNOR’S HURRICANE CONFERENCE



The 2008 Governor’s Hurricane Conference was held at the Broward County Convention Center, Fort Lauderdale, Florida, from May 12 to 16, 2008. This was the third time that Visual Records had exhibited at the event. Bob Baddorf and Tricia Jackson once again manned the Storm Tracker/Visual Records exhibit booth and enjoyed the opportunity to demonstrate the newest version of Storm Tracker and discuss with booth visitors how installing Storm Tracker prior to a disaster could ensure readiness for future cleanup operations. We came into contact with many of the “usual” exhibitors and participants as well as made several exciting new contacts.

The conference theme this year was *“Maintaining The Vigil While Preparing For The Inevitable,”* which addressed “the challenges Floridians face heading into the 2008 Hurricane Season.” The underlying message throughout the conference stressed that even though 2006 and 2007 were relatively quiet hurricane years, history proves that it is not “if” but “when” the next one will make land-fall. Dr. William Gray and Phil Klotzbach from Colorado State University predict an above-average Atlantic basin

tropical cyclone season in 2008 and anticipate an above-average probability of a United States major hurricane land-fall.

Two and a half days of the conference were allotted for a variety of hurricane preparedness and emergency courses, which were broken down into the following categories:

- Emergency Services
- Human Services
- Infrastructure
- Policy / Planning
- Recovery / Mitigation

In addition to these courses, participants attended training workshops (over 100 workshops were offered).

Visual Records would like to encourage all states, counties and municipalities in the hurricane zones to contact our sales department for more information on how they can be truly prepared for the next storm.



Storm Tracker Uses Hip Printers to Take Ticket Tracking to a New Level

In order to make debris management and monitoring more convenient and productive, we have been upgrading our Storm Tracker Mobile Module (which uses hand-held devices such as PDAs) to interface with hip printers. This equipment is used by monitors out in the field or at a TDSR site to print tickets for the debris that is being picked up and removed by truck drivers.

Through this new feature, a monitor will be able to print a hard copy of the debris ticket information

on the PDA using the hip printer. Since cleanups can become extremely unorganized, this handy tool will allow monitors to enter and check debris information efficiently and quickly as well as improve quality control.

The Mobile Module works in conjunction with Storm Tracker, our ticket tracking software system, which has been used for both monitoring and debris removal projects since 2002

Users from Kaiser SCAL Sites Trained on MedCorr 2.7

From the beginning of May to the end of June, our staff at Visual Records has been busy training over 300 Kaiser Permanente users to use MedCorr 2.7, which is an upgraded version of MedCorr1, the Release of Information software system they were previously using. The users trained are working in various Southern Californian medical correspondence, insurance and psychiatric departments. MedCorr 2.7 replaces MedCorr 1, which has been used by these Southern Californian sites since 1999. The first site to use MedCorr1 was the Hospital Records Department at Baldwin Park in 1998, when they first opened this new hospital.

Many of the features and fields from MedCorr1 are in MedCorr 2.7 such as shortcut keys and auto-completion and patient and request information. However, a major difference between the two software systems is that all the sites will be using a centralized database, enabling the users to view the records from not only their site but from the rest of the SCAL sites. Previously, the SCAL sites were



working independently of each other, with each department having their own server.

For security reasons and data preservation, users will not be able to modify or add to a record that is not from their own department. Now with MedCorr 2.7, the sites will be able to easily communicate with each other and all their forms and data entry will be standardized.

Approximately 330 users in the Kaiser sites from Northern California are currently using MedCorr 2.6.



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QUOTE OF THE DAY

*“Failure will never overtake me if
my determination to succeed is
strong enough.”*

– Og Mandino

THE VISUAL RECORDS STORY

Visual Records specializes in developing innovative and high-quality software products and systems for all industries. By partnering with entrepreneurs and visionaries, we launch new and successful software products.

Headquartered in Murrieta, California, Visual Records combines research, experience and value with integrity and respect. For over 20 years, we have kept the following commitments:

1. **Vision:** Designing beyond what is considered "standard."
2. **Flexibility:** Working closely to deliver solutions in a timely and cost-effective manner.
3. **Integrity:** Making long-term partners through honesty, tenacity and consideration.
4. **Support:** Ensuring that our customers remain completely satisfied.

If you have any comments or suggestions about the VR newsletter, please e-mail Rebecca Phan at rebecca@visualrecords.com.

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UPCOMING EVENTS

July 13 to 17, 2008: 23rd AAAI Conference on Artificial Intelligence, Hyatt Regency McCormick Place Conference Center, Chicago, IL

For more information, please visit www.aaai.org.

October 11 to 16, 2008: AHIMA National Convention, Washington State Convention and Trade Center, Seattle, WA

For more information, please visit www.ahima.org.

November 13 to 15, 2008: TCI Expo 2008, Midwest Airlines Center, Milwaukee, WI

For more information, please visit www.tcia.org.

INDUSTRY “BUZZ”

April 9, 2008: Use Of Information Technology Is Minimal In Nursing Homes

May 20, 2008: Google Launches Web Based Personal Health Records

June 5, 2008: HHS Releases Comprehensive Plan To Encourage Nationwide Adoption Of Health IT

June 27, 2008: Markle Foundation Releases Guidelines To Protect Privacy Of Online Personal Health Records



PRODUCT- RELATED LINKS

MedCorr

Critics Of HIPAA Say Law Is Too Lenient To Adequately Protect Patient Privacy

<http://www.medicalnewstoday.com/articles/103473.php>

Storm Tracker

Busy Hurricane Season Predicted

<http://www.medicalnewstoday.com/articles/108482.php>

Traveler

SCAN Health Plan Offers Seniors Ten Tips For Safe And Healthy Travel

<http://www.medicalnewstoday.com/articles/108522.php>