## VRIS radiology information system formally launches in the UK

A radiology information system proven to help imaging departments alleviate bottlenecks and improve throughput of diagnostic reports, has been formally launched in the UK by healthcare technology provider Vertex in Healthcare.

Designed to the enable significant administrative efficiencies that can improve how patients access scans and diagnostic expertise, VRIS has helped radiology departments in different parts of the world, as they manage rising demand.

The system, which connects technologies in the healthcare environment, has been shown to automate and streamline administrative processes, as well as helping busy radiologists and radiographers as they deliver timely reports on patient imaging.

Imaging departments using VRIS have typically recorded between 30% to 40% increased throughput in reporting activity following deployment.

Chris Goldie, CEO for Vertex in Healthcare, said: "We have carefully listened to radiology teams in the UK and believe our technology can help as healthcare providers and imaging networks continue to develop innovative ways of delivering services for patients.

"Consistently, we have heard that imaging teams need reliable technology, responsive to users at every point of the imaging journey. That is what we aim to deliver: a system that supports everything from administration processes sometimes overlooked by technology providers, to the needs of reporters working to deliver urgently needed insights.

"More than just a radiology information system, we are offering a dedicated and experienced team ready to listen and to share their experience to help NHS professionals remove bottlenecks, connect information, manage journeys, and engage patients in their imaging pathway."

VRIS is designed to support strategic decisions, to highlight bottlenecks and indicate where resource should be focussed. It does this by providing radiology departments and imaging networks with detailed intelligence to help inform important decisions on how services are managed and configured, in order to best meet the needs of the patient population being served.

Embedded algorithms also guide and streamline input from users, supporting everything from efficient scheduling, to sharing reports, and tracking patient progress, all from a single screen. Radiologists and reporting radiographers can also use VRIS to efficiently review and enter patient information, order additional examinations, and create complex reports more quickly.

For patients, VRIS is supported by a portal that can engage patients in their imaging pathway, and help patients play a role in making the diagnostic process work for them. The portal can allow patients to book and manage appointments, helping to support more convenient access to important services.

In addition to providing the potential to further reduce administration demands on busy imaging departments, the portal can be configured to provide patients with direct access to their imaging and reports, and with two-way communication tools with healthcare professionals.

Charles Guise-Brown, chief technology officer for Vertex in Healthcare, said: "Our aim is to provide technology that is simple, easy to use, reliable, and that meets the actual needs of imaging networks, radiology departments and their patients.

"We deliver connected technology that helps to move patients forward in their imaging journey, and that doesn't require busy people to worry about how the IT works. We would welcome the opportunity to support imaging teams in the UK with technology that can enable them to focus more of their time on delivering important reports, with all the information they need at their fingertips."

## **ENDS**

## Notes to editor:

## **About Vertex In Healthcare**

Vertex In Healthcare is an IT and software development company that has been focussed on healthcare for more than 40 years. The company's dedicated team has been developing and delivering the Vertex radiology information system for customers in different parts of the world for decades. The reliable, networked RIS now offers NHS radiology departments and imaging networks opportunities to remove bottlenecks, create clinical and administrative efficiencies, schedule and manage patient journeys, and give more patients timely access to diagnostics.