

Canberra Hospitals Sign Up For THELMA

Listed health services group ICSGlobal has signed up two more Canberra hospitals for its THELMA B2B electronic health system.

The two hospitals are the Lidia Perrin Memorial Hospital and the Canberra Surgicentre. Both hospitals will use THELMA for the range of transactions covering insurance eligibility checking, inpatient and medical claims and reconciliations.

These latest signings brings to 30 the number of hospitals Australia-wide which have contracted to use THELMA, a system which replaces the traditional manual and costly paper-based patient administration transactions.

ICSGlobal managing director Tim Murray said the two contracts reflected the knock-on sales momentum THELMA had achieved in the Australian healthcare market, as brand awareness grew and user referral rates increased significantly.

"The Canberra contracts show how groups of hospitals from one locality make for a very cost effective roll out of THELMA, both for customers and for ICSGlobal," he said.

About ICSGlobal

ICSGlobal's core business is the ownership and operation of THELMA. For more information visit www.icsglobal.net.

About THELMA

THELMA is positioned to become the clearing house for the Australian health industry. THELMA generates both subscription and transaction revenue through replacing existing manual, paper-based health administration processes with intelligent technologies that allows B2B transactions over the Internet. THELMA offers a means to perform these transactions at just a fraction of the existing manual costs, delivering massive cost savings to health sector participants. The e-health electronic transaction market in Australia has an estimated potential value in excess of \$100 million per annum. Other examples of systems which have replaced costly, manual processes with efficient automation are ATMs / electronic banking and the CHESS clearing house system which underpins the Australian share market. THELMA currently provides three types of transaction: automated insurance eligibility checking, electronic hospital claims and specialist "No Gap / Known Gap" claims. ICSGlobal intends to progressively expand the range of transactions to cover the end-to-end health care process and eventually reach every participant in the health industry, resulting in a recession proof business with secure cash flow, backed by Government and insurance. For further information visit www.thelma.com.au.

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