

## Mater (QLD) sign up for THELMA

Health services group ICSGlobal Ltd ("ICS") has added another large group of public and private hospitals to THELMA's national customer base with the signing of Mater Misericordiae Health Services Brisbane Limited ("Mater QLD").

The Mater QLD is comprised of almost 1,000 beds in seven public and private hospitals - Mater Adult Public Hospital, Mater Children's Public and Private Hospitals, Mater Mothers' Public and Private Hospitals and Mater Private Hospital, all at the South Brisbane complex, plus the recently opened Mater Private Hospital at Redland.

The South Brisbane complex also includes advanced allied health and diagnostic services, plus the Mater Medical Research Institute, and treats more than 70,000 inpatients and 400,000 outpatients each year.

Mater's signing brings to 10 per cent THELMA's share of the national private hospital market. Last week, ICS announced that Medibank Private, Australia's biggest health fund, has signed to use THELMA. This lifted THELMA's share of the national health fund market to 40 per cent.

Mater QLD has signed a three year Agreement to use THELMA to streamline some of its business processes and provide a higher level of service to its patients. The initial focus of the Agreement will be in-patient pathology claims.

ICSGlobal Managing Director Tim Murray said the Mater QLD contract signals a number of "firsts" for THELMA, including the first Queensland public hospitals to be connecting to THELMA, and the first hospital contract to include pathology claims which opens up another large market for THELMA in diagnostics.

"This is the first major hospital signing off the back of the Medibank Private announcement last week, and provides THELMA with a solid platform in both public and private health from which to roll out to the rest of Queensland" said Mr Murray.

### About ICSGlobal and THELMA

ICSGlobal's core business is the ownership and operation of THELMA. THELMA (Transactional Health Exchange Linking Multiple Applications) is the health industry electronic clearing house. THELMA generates both subscription and transaction revenue through replacing existing manual, paper-based health administration processes with intelligent technologies that allow B2B transactions over the Internet. For more information visit [www.icsglobal.net](http://www.icsglobal.net) and [www.thelma.com.au](http://www.thelma.com.au).

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