

Teachers' Union Health strengthens THELMA's Queensland base

LISTED health services group ICSGlobal is pleased to announce that it has continued the successful rollout of its electronic transaction exchange, THELMA, by adding another health fund to THELMA's national customer base.

Queensland-based Teachers' Union Health (TUH) has signed a three year User Agreement to implement THELMA to streamline service delivery to TUH members through:

- Electronic processing of private patient eligibility checks;
- Electronic hospital claims; and
- Inpatient specialists' claims with its hospital and day surgery business partners.

TUH is the third health fund to implement THELMA.

ICSGlobal's Managing Director, Mr Tim Murray, welcomed TUH into the THELMA grid.

"Queensland is an important market for THELMA and TUH is an important beachhead for ICSGlobal."

"TUH is our first Queensland-only health fund and we anticipate that a successful implementation by TUH will accelerate THELMA's rollout in Queensland," Mr Murray 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 information clearing house for the 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 CHES 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 as people will continue to use health services, irrespective of the prevailing economic conditions.

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