Paragon® Community Plus
Help modernize IT and prepare for the future of healthcare
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One size doesn’t fit all and that’s why McKesson created Paragon Community Plus, a comprehensive EHR solution that leverages an implementation methodology tailored to help meet the needs of community hospitals with an accelerated implementation timeline and less resource demands.

Oftentimes smaller hospitals lack the capital, resources and time needed to make a strategic shift in their IT strategy. Yet in today’s complex IT environment the health of your IT systems and applications can directly impact the health of your business. Paragon Community Plus is an innovative EHR solution that is designed to help smaller hospitals make a strategic shift from their current application to a modern, affordable solution including clinical, financial and document management capabilities.

McKesson understands that with the rapid evolution of healthcare IT, time is of the essence. With a streamlined methodology and condensed timeline, Paragon Community Plus provides community hospitals with access to the same intuitive, Windows®-based, user-friendly EHR solution plus implementation, remote hosting and post go-live services scaled to meet the demands of smaller hospitals (figure 1). Best of all, you gain the support of a single-vendor partnership with McKesson, a 30-year leader in the healthcare IT sector.

**Paragon**  
The foundation of Paragon Community Plus is McKesson’s fully integrated Paragon EHR solution. With a single, fully-normalized Microsoft SQL database as the core architecture, Paragon helps simplify data management. This comprehensive clinical and financial information system coupled with a proven document management solution is built to meet the needs of healthcare providers today and help adapt to the changing demands of tomorrow. What’s more, Paragon Community Plus utilizes standard content with customization based on your specific workflows to help hospitals that lack the resources or skills needed to implement and manage a fully integrated EHR solution.

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**Figure 1: Paragon Community Plus**

[Diagram showing Paragon Community Plus services and components]
**Implementation Services**
The Paragon Community Plus implementation model provides an accelerated timeline made possible by leveraging recommended practices and pre-built content to deliver a standard implementation. This means you can be up and running faster with support from McKesson project specialists from discovery to go-live *(figure 2)*. And while the system is built with pre-configured content, it also allows for customization to support your unique workflows. This approach helps pair faster application deployment with increased productivity and ROI.

**Remote Hosting Services**
Remote hosting services offer your hospital a team of infrastructure specialists to assist in delivering better system performance and increased application availability that is critical for decision making, clinical workflow and patient safety. Transfer core IT responsibilities to McKesson for IT operations and systems management within a highly redundant data center. Offsite data backup services provide an added layer of protection to help ensure the safety and integrity of your data at all times. With 24 x 7 x 365 infrastructure support in the hands of McKesson, your onsite IT team can focus on other priority initiatives without the added distractions and financial pressures that come with self-hosting.

**Post Go-Live Services**
Effective end user training is key for successful EHR adoption. With Paragon Community Plus, you can eliminate the intensive demands of creating and implementing internal training programs. All end user and super user training and materials are delivered by McKesson professionals who have extensive healthcare knowledge and Paragon expertise. With training provided close to go-live, McKesson helps to provide a better learning experience, stronger user adoption and improved productivity. Post go-live to Paragon, McKesson provides additional training to help reinforce the newly learned workflows and application capabilities to help ensure effective knowledge transfer.

**Bring Strategic Value to IT**
McKesson helps to optimize functionality and operability for community hospitals at a predictable cost by leveraging industry recommended processes and proven workflows. Make the strategic shift to an innovative EHR solution that is designed and right-sized for today’s smaller hospitals. With Paragon Community Plus, community hospitals can align IT and strategic business goals and gain an affordable path to modernize IT and prepare for the future of healthcare.
Paragon Community Plus provides community hospitals with these key features:

- Built around Paragon: comprehensive clinical and financial EHR solution to help meet the needs of hospitals today and tomorrow
- Accelerated implementation timeline: pre-built Paragon database based on recommended practices for smaller hospitals
- Increased performance: remote hosting and data backup services to help ensure 24 x 7 infrastructure and system availability
- Meaningful and relevant training: all super user and end user training and materials are delivered by McKesson Paragon specialists
- Support to help ensure success: expanded post go-live support to help provide proper knowledge transfer and increased adoption

To learn more about Paragon Community Plus, contact your Account Executive or email mynewHIS@mckesson.com.