WorldVista's Mission

“Our mission is to improve healthcare worldwide by making medical information technology better, universally available and affordable.”

WorldVista facilitates and coordinates support and growth of the global VistA community to advance the adoption of high quality, effective electronic health records. The goal is to ensure that any healthcare provider caring for a patient will have technology to help provide the best care possible and secure access to all relevant medical information about their patient.

WorldVista Goals

• Adapt, extend and disseminate the evidence based model, values, principles and processes that are the foundation of WorldVista EHR to the global health community.
• Enhance WorldVista EHR with pediatrics, obstetrics, emergency room, and other functionality, such as billing.
• Support those who choose to adopt the WorldVista EHR system by simplifying the installation process and providing a software update and maintenance service.
• Grow and coordinate a dynamic community of WorldVista EHR users and developers based on principles of open, collaborative, peer reviewed software development and dissemination.

WorldVista Community

WorldVista is a leader in establishing and contributing to the creation of a global VistA community. The individual members represent all parts of health care ranging from government healthcare facilities, to non-profit and for-profit healthcare organizations, healthcare technology vendors and educational institutions.

The WorldVista community is collaborative and process oriented, meeting complex and continuously changing health systems and advancements in medicine.

• Continuously improve WorldVista EHR through open source methods and processes to respond to the changing needs of patients, physicians and other medical professionals.
• Help adapt the system to local health system requirements by empowering end users to act as partners and co-developers to guide ongoing WorldVista EHR development and enhancement.
• Provide an adaptable software development framework that responds continuously to keep up with changes in medicine.

WorldVista actively promotes team initiatives by organizing regular meetings of the community and showcasing WorldVista EHR at international conferences. WorldVista members actively participate in the open source health care community with their high profile contributions to technical mail lists, such as the Google Group ‘Hardhats’ discussion forum. Focused services include:

• WorldVista Community Meetings - biannual gatherings held since 2002, featuring open source technical training for developers, including MUMP, EsiObjects and M2Web.
• WorldVista Education Conferences - unique offering of specialized education and training presentations.
• VistApedia.org - a community driven wiki providing a wealth of step-by-step instructions and documentation that is enhanced and updated by the community.
• Micro Training - virtual training series on topical subjects.
• Developer Meetings - small group intensive programming sessions.
WorldVistA EHR™

WorldVistA EHR is an open source, GPL licensed Health Management System. The GPL license assures the software and modifications will always remain open source free software.

WorldVistA EHR is designed to provide an affordable high quality, functionally rich and highly integrated EHR.

Some of the key enhancements made to WorldVistA EHR to meet the needs of health care organizations include:

- Integration of open source document scanning and imaging software which enables inclusion of scanned documents and non-diagnostic quality images with the medical record.
- Simplification of prescription finishing enables completion, printing and faxing of prescriptions by clinical staff.
- Deployment of the Mirth open source integration engine, to facilitate integrating WorldVistA EHR with other software, such as practice management systems, billing systems and external lab service providers.
- Development of a graphical user interface for patient registration.
- Addition of pediatric and obstetric functionality, such as the soon to be released pediatric growth charts, developed in partnership with community members using the open source software PHP Growth Charts and JPGraph.

WorldVistA EHR is a robust Health Management System of over 100 modules, including:

- Patient Registration and Management
- Patient Care
- Order entry and reporting
- Clinical services management
- Supplies and assets management
- Clinical Audit
- Management reporting
- Training materials
- A vast documentation library

All built following IT standards, with support mechanisms and system management tools for the world’s largest and most sophisticated electronic health record (EHR) systems and network management.

WorldVistA has developed improved methods for packaging, distributing and applying enhancements and bug fixes to simplify software maintenance and significantly improve investment protection.

WorldVistA’s update service offerings will also enable adopters to more easily stay current with and leverage improvements and fixes.

Contact WorldVistA

WorldVistA is a non-profit organization with an extensive network of VistA experts, helps prospective adopters to find assistance for implementation and deployment of WorldVistA EHR, software development and enhancement as well as quality assurance and high level planning.

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