

# News Release



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## **McKesson Completes Acquisition of Leading Cardiology Solution**

*Highly ranked Medcon Ltd. has more than 300 installations worldwide, positions McKesson as leader in enterprise imaging*

**SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 15, 2005** - McKesson Corporation today announced that it has completed the acquisition of Medcon, Ltd., a global company based in Israel that provides Web-based cardiac image and information management solutions. The Medcon product line, to be renamed Horizon Cardiology™, further strengthens McKesson's leading enterprise image and information management solution set, which enables referring and specialty physicians to access the complete patient record - including medical images and reports - anytime, anywhere.

"Medical imaging is one of the fastest-growing areas of healthcare technology, with the demand for cardiology images outpacing other medical specialties," said Pamela Pure, president of McKesson Provider Technologies. "Our goal is to build on the success of our Horizon Medical Imaging(tm) PACS business by offering customers an integrated cardiology solution that optimizes imaging throughput for maximum efficiency and productivity in a high-revenue, high-cost center for many healthcare organizations."

McKesson's enterprise image and information management solutions are designed to improve workflow productivity, enable informed clinical decision-making and facilitate access to comprehensive electronic health records (EHRs). Horizon Cardiology aggregates all cardiology information sources in one patient-centric information system that can be used to manage the diagnostic process.

Highly regarded by customers, Medcon's cardiology solution ranked No. 2 in KLAS Enterprises'

June 2005 cardiology PACS study, which rates healthcare IT products based on a number of performance factors, including commitment to technology, implementation, quality of product releases and support. Medcon was also rated highly in MD Buyline's December 2004 survey, tying for first place in customer satisfaction.

The acquisition of Medcon gives McKesson more than 300 cardiac image and information system installations worldwide. These installations include more than 100 customers in North America, among them St. Mary's Medical Center in Evansville, Ind., which also uses Horizon Medical Imaging. "We have been very pleased with both of these solutions," said St. Mary's CIO Dennis DeMasie. "By making Medcon part of McKesson, we expect to greatly enhance workflow and communication between our radiology and cardiology departments and further improve the quality of care we provide to our patients."

Medcon will become part of McKesson Provider Technologies. "We're excited to be part of the McKesson team," said Uzi Blumensohn, Medcon's former chairman and CEO, who will now serve as McKesson's vice president and general manager, Global Cardiology Solutions. "By joining forces, we can integrate cardiology images and reports into the electronic patient record and provide a single point of access to the patient's information. With easier online access to information, we can help promote better, safer patient care."

### ***About McKesson***

McKesson Corporation is a Fortune 15 healthcare services and information technology company dedicated to helping its customers deliver high-quality healthcare by reducing costs, streamlining processes, and improving the quality and safety of patient care. Over the course of its 170-year history, McKesson has grown by providing pharmaceutical and medical-surgical supply management across the spectrum of care; healthcare information technology for hospitals, physicians, homecare, and payors; hospital and retail pharmacy automation; and services for manufacturers and payors designed to improve outcomes for patients. For more information: <http://mpt.mckesson.com>

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