Southport & Ormskirk is Latest NHS Trust to Choose Kainos's Evolve® EMR to Digitise & Mobilise Patient Records

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- The integrated Trust will embrace the next-generation electronic medical records solution to boost internal efficiency, enhance community communication & ensure the highest levels of patient care -

London – January 14th, 2013 – Thriving technology company Kainos has announced yet another NHS Trust win for its flagship Evolve® electronic medical record (EMR) solution, with Southport and Ormskirk Hospital NHS Trust.

Southport and Ormskirk Hospital NHS Trust provides hospital and community-based healthcare to 258,000 patients across Southport, Formby and West Lancashire. It manages a budget of more than £170m and employs 3,400 staff.

Currently, although it uses a patient administration system (PAS), all patient management is handled manually using paper-based records. Even test results are printed and placed in physical case files.

"Implementing an electronic system for patient records and note-keeping is long overdue," comments Dr Geraldine Boocock, the Trust's medical director and chair of its clinical IT board which will monitor the roll-out of Kainos Evolve.

"The project will enable 24x7 access to patient information with continuity across community services," she explains. "It will put an end to situations where staff are waiting for notes to come from Records, or where these have gone missing or been misfiled."

Deploying Evolve will also allow the Trust to function more efficiently, reducing operational costs over the next three years and allowing patient-facing staff to spend more time on frontline care.

Dr Boocock says Kainos stood out from its first presentation. "It was clear that the Kainos team really knew what they were talking about. They know the NHS and could see exactly what we needed. Evolve came across as an excellent system and very flexible which is important when everyone is so busy yet needs to be on board. We felt Evolve would sell itself to clinical staff. We had a workshop the other day and it was oversubscribed – that's the level of interest already!"

Features of particular appeal included Evolve's support for mobile information access, and the eDischarge capabilities, both of which tie in with Southport and Ormskirk's broader services in the community. "As an integrated trust, the communications aspect is substantial," Dr Boocock notes. "The Community Manager is excited about Evolve's capabilities. We have frequent dialogues with GPs; being able to handle discharge notes, clinical letters and prescriptions electronically will be transformational."

Commenting on the project win, Deirdre O'Neill, head of Evolve at Kainos, says, "We are delighted to have this opportunity to work with Southport and Ormskirk Hospital NHS Trust. Their ambitions echo those of many Trusts today as they seek to do more with less, and to enhance patient care through the dynamic sharing and updating of digital medical records. We are confident of being able to help Southport and

Ormskirk achieve some transformational outcomes in line with their strategic objectives, and look forward to developing a close working relationship over the months ahead."

About Kainos

Kainos is a thriving technology company with particular expertise in three core markets - healthcare, financial services and public sector.

Evolve® is the flagship Electronic Medical Records (EMR) solution in Kainos's comprehensive suite of healthcare solutions, which cost-effectively automate the creation, capture and handling of medical case notes and operational documents and records.

Evolve customers include the Ipswich Hospital NHS Trust, West Suffolk Hospital NHS Foundation Trust, Lancashire Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust, Clatterbridge Centre for Oncology NHS Foundation Trust, Bradford Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust, For more information please visit www.kainos.com/evolve

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