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## Home-grown software company branches out

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The health and hospital industry is continuing to improve how they service patients. And now Prognosis Health Information Systems, Inc. has teamed up with Richmond County's own Computer Zone.

"We are excited to be working with Prognosis to deliver a comprehensive software and support solution to hospitals not just in the Carolinas but in the entire eastern half of the U.S. from Chicago to Florida," said Sandy Huggins, vice president of Computer Zone. Together the two companies will provide ancillary applications to hospitals.

In simpler terms, before the partnership, hospital stations would not all run on the same system which would restrict how much work could be done in the case of an emergency. With this new system, the employees will use identification access and can use any computer the situation calls for.

Computer Zone was founded in 2001 in Rockingham and has offices in Holden Beach and North Charleston. Prognosis Health Information Systems, Inc. was established in 2006 in Houston.

"At Prognosis, we've gone to great lengths to develop a health care technology platform that meets the needs of the hospitals of today including a flexible, secure and scalable web-based architecture," said Ramsey Evans, president and CEO of Prognosis.

ChartAccess Inpatient EMR was one of the first systems to receive Certification Commission for Health care Information Technology (CCHIT) approval.

"After doing some research, and surveying 565 of our technology clientele we realized 32 percent of them were already using the system," said Huggins.

Huggins and his company believe that they are the experts in software implementation, customization and development.

"There are cost advantages and well as an increase in the service being provided," Huggins said.

The hospitals will all now be on the same SAS, with a price reduction of about 35 to 45 percent of what they were paying.

"I feel like we are bringing the latest technology to Richmond County," Huggins said.

With the partnership, Prognosis hopes to reach a much wider geography and can offer the best technology and the best service to even more hospitals that need to implement an EMR, Evans went on to say.

"I hope that the other hospitals will participate," Huggins said. "As a Richmond County native, I would love to see Richmond County succeed."

For more information about Prognosis visit [www.prognosishis.com](http://www.prognosishis.com) and for more information on Computer Zone visit [www.computerzone.net](http://www.computerzone.net).