



AnMed Health is the largest independent, not-for-profit health care system in South Carolina and offers a wide range of quality health

care and medical services for adults and children. Its anchor facility, AnMed Health Medical Center, is located in Anderson, South Carolina. Founded in 1908, AnMed Health is a growing medical center with 461 beds. Other facilities located at AnMed Health's Medical Center campus include a Women's and Children's hospital, Minor Care, Cancer Center, and Speech and Occupational therapy. AnMed Health employs 3,400 people in over 30 patient care sites across the upstate region and northeast Georgia, including more than 400 physicians, representing every major specialty.

Client's needs

Accurate and timely financial planning is a key objective in effectively managing a health care system. For AnMed Health, the financial planning process was incredibly time consuming, cumbersome and frustrating. Automation was lacking to pull the necessary information from other systems such as GL, payroll, patient accounting and supply costs to create the annual budget and projections. The processing required for the budget calculations was much too time consuming. Processing ran overnight taking up to eight hours. Once a budget was actually ready for review, it would be printed and sent out in paper form to managers, directors and VPs through interoffice mail. Paperwork sometimes got lost and deadlines would be missed. When it came to reporting, users were required to re-format a report every time it needed to be printed, wasting valuable time. In addition, users lacked the ability to capture variance explanations that could be printed and shared across the organization.

AnMed Health heard about Oracle Hyperion Enterprise Performance Management (EPM) from another local hospital that had partnered with Alithya to implement the application. After a thorough evaluation, AnMed Health chose Oracle Hyperion Planning and Alithya.

Benefits Realized

AnMed Health is very pleased that its financial planning process is streamlined, accurate, and user-friendly. Now, the budget creation, review and approval process is largely paperless. Users can access the system at any time to see where the budget is in the approval process, and easily print or e-mail professional-looking reports. Instead of taking up to eight hours to run scripts for data updates, these scripts can now be run and completed in less than 10 minutes. While it used to be very difficult to perform ad-hoc analysis, executives praise the system's ability to readily provide accurate productivity charts. In addition, supporting details and explanations are easily added right into the system, which provides valuable insight to anyone reviewing reports or budgets.

AnMed Health has been very happy with the improvements in data quality and overall planning processes thanks to Oracle Hyperion and a strong partnership with Alithya. Due to the success of the project, AnMed is planning to implement Oracle Hyperion Enterprise Management (EPMA) for improved metadata management capabilities with an upgrade to Oracle Hyperion 11.1.2.

Alithya's Solution

Alithya consultants recommended that AnMed Health implement Oracle Hyperion Planning to automate and improve financial planning. In a matter of months, the Alithya team delivered:

- An Hyperion Planning system focused on financial budgeting and projections. The core model consisted of three processes: statement of operations, revenue modeling by charge description master (CDM) and patient type, as well as salary planning
- An Hyperion Planning-based application by department managers to capture statistical volumes by day, pay period and month
- A flexible reporting solution that utilizes the reporting tools inherent in Oracle Hyperion Planning. Users were able to also input textual commentary for planning requests and variance explanations
- Training and knowledge transfer throughout the implementation process that enabled AnMed Health to sustain and manage their Oracle EPM system with little support from IT and external vendors

* The project went live on time, on budget, and with all project objectives met.

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