

Orthopaedic Surgeon Starts Practice Off on Right Foot with Accuro EMR

PHYSICIAN:

Dr. Steven Krywulak

SPECIALTY:

Orthopaedic Surgery

CLINIC:

Kelowna Orthopedics

LOCATION:

Kelowna, BC

ACCURO CLIENT SINCE:

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ACCURO USERS:

Physician
Clinic Manager
Medical Secretary

"The service has been excellent over the years and I am completely satisfied with the product."

- Dr. Krywulak, Orthopaedic Surgeon

Practice Challenge

When Dr. Steven Krywulak, an Orthopaedic Surgeon, was starting his practice five years ago, he knew that he wanted to go with an EMR. He found the "old practice of paper charts inefficient and outdated." Sharing the office with five other surgeons, who were using paper, meant very limited storage space.

He resigned to using paper for six months before converting to EMR. During that time, he said: "The charts were starting to pile up and storage was an issue. I couldn't access them from the clinic, home, or hospital, and carrying them around was cumbersome."

Using a new Electronic Medical Record (EMR) system, Dr. Krywulak wanted to achieve:

1. All files in one place (hard drive) without any storage issues
2. Access to his practice from any computer with internet access
3. Ability to bill when on call

Accuro Solution

Dr. Krywulak chose Optimed because "it was a local company" and because the "product was very functional" in meeting his needs. He felt that Optimed was a stable company that "was going to continually improve their product."

Practice Results

Dr. Krywulak's faith in Optimed was justified because Accuro evolved over time: "Every month new enhancements are added further strengthening the utility and functionality of the program." He feels that Optimed is "responsive to the needs of its clients."

The following summarizes some of the benefits Accuro EMR has helped Dr. Krywulak achieve:

- Fast and easy access to all relevant practice data
- Improved communication between him and his staff
- Less time spent by staff sorting & filing paperwork
- Ability to track procedures with clinical search tools

Accuro EMR gives Dr. Krywulak access to his patient charts anywhere he is so that he can keep up-to-date on all his patient's details. He can review his scanned documents and leave himself notes to follow up on cases. Said Dr. Krywulak, "This undoubtedly improves patient care."

Accuro EMR has proven to Dr. Krywulak "to be the best way to simplify a complex and busy practice." He said that he would "recommend this software to anyone who asks."