



Practice Director EHR

Practice Management Software

Preparing for Equipment Integration

Linking your equipment with your EHR software can save valuable time and make your job simpler. Here are some things you should know as you prepare to have your equipment linked with Practice Director EHR:

- ▶ You will need to have a Windows PC with Practice Director installed on it near the equipment you would like to have linked. (Please note that the PC you will use for equipment-linking cannot be the same computer that is used as your Practice Director server).
- ▶ Before scheduling an equipment-linking appointment with Practice Director, you should gain a basic understanding of the equipment that you would like to have linked.
- ▶ Please call the equipment manufacturer to request information on the cables needed to link that piece of equipment. Some pieces may require a special RS-232c cable (also known as a “null modem cable”). It is important that you verify this information prior to scheduling your equipment-linking appointment.
- ▶ If your imaging equipment connects with an external computer and cannot be networked or viewed through your software, please also contact the manufacturer of your imaging equipment to request information on any special hardware or software required to have it linked with your EHR software. Some imaging equipment will require special hardware or software in order to view images in your EHR software without having to print them and scan them in.
- ▶ Some pieces of equipment, like the Zeiss Humphrey Visual Field models 720i, 740i, 745i, and 750i, need to be networked. Please plan to have a local IT specialist on site with you at the time of your equipment-linking appointment to help with networking and setting the IP address.
- ▶ If you are not comfortable running your cables when they arrive, please have your local IT specialist run your cables before your equipment-linking appointment with us. We are physically unable to assist with running your cables since we will not be on site during your appointment.
- ▶ It is your choice whether or not you want to link your equipment before or after you go live with Practice Director EHR software.
- ▶ To schedule an appointment for equipment-linking, please contact Sara Dennis. You can reach her by phone at 1-866-595-1471 or by email at sdennis@practicedirector.com. Plan to allow for at least one week from the time of your request and the date of your appointment.
- ▶ You will need to plan to have someone in your practice available for two hours at the time of your appointment. They will need to give their undivided attention during this time for a successful integration process.