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STUDY	Hospitals and health systems surveyed have made significant enterprise-wide investments in Smartphones and Clinical Communications and Collaboration (CCC) solutions to drive clinical transformation and address the mission- and patient-critical communications, collaboration, and care coordination requirements of patient care teams, medical support staff, and non-clinical mobile workers within the hospital and across the care continuum.  During the COVID-19 pandemic, healthcare provider interest and focus on CCC solutions was strong. Many expanded existing CCC deployments to address the communications, collaboration, coordination, and documentation requirements of essential frontline workers, medical staff, and ad hoc care teams across the care continuum who were responsible for monitoring and managing contagious and sometimes severely ill COVID-19 patients.  • Adapted mobile communications strategies. Providers adapted their mobile communications strategies to address the business, clinical, and operational realities of the pandemic. They optimized their business operations, streamlined clinical workflows, increased staff productivity, and improved staff/patient experience.  • Expanded usage of alarm management and clinical surveillance. Providers expanded their usage of alarm management and clinical surveillance tools. This helped frontline workers identify, monitor and manage patients considered at-risk of deteriorating or life-threatening conditions, especially when taking care of patients who are on ventilators.  • Leveraged Telehealth and other digital health tools. Providers leveraged Telehealth and other digital health tools to enhance patient/provider communications and encourage patient self-sufficiency as a proxy for not being able to see their primary care provider or medical specialist.  • Realized value of hands-free communications. Providers realized the value of hands-free communications devices powered by speech recognition. These devices enabled frontline workers, who were fully gloved, gowned,		

## STUDY METHODOLOGY

Trends in Clinical Communications & Collaboration presents the findings of an end-user market study identifying the market opportunities and challenges for US-based hospitals and health systems who are evaluating large-scale investments in Smartphones and secure Clinical Communications and Collaboration solutions to address the mission- and patient-critical communications requirements of clinical and non-clinical mobile workers within the hospital and across the care continuum.

Content for **Trends in Clinical Communications & Collaboration** was derived from more than 100 in-depth interviews with healthcare professionals working in hospital-based environments who are technically competent and representative of a broad range of medical specialties, organization types, and organization sizes.

The telephone interviews were conducted over a three-month period starting in June 2020. During the interviews, Spyglass identified the market requirements for Smartphones and secure Clinical Communications & Collaboration solutions through discussions about:

- workflow inefficiencies in communicating with care team members and patients,
- current usage models for Smartphones and mobile communications solutions, and
- barriers for widespread mobile communications adoption.

Spyglass also evaluated key vendor product offerings and identified early adopter organizations that have successfully deployed these solutions.

## TARGET AUDIENCE

- Software and hardware vendors, systems integrators and management consulting groups who are selling hardware, applications and services into the healthcare industry
- **Healthcare administrators and IT executives** who are making strategic decisions to fund clinical information technology solutions
- Clinicians who are involved in informatics and clinical system evaluation and selection
- Investment banking and private equity investors

ABOUT SPYGLASS CONSULTING GROUP



**Spyglass Consulting Group** is a market advisory firm focused on disruptive technologies, changing business models, and growth opportunities within the healthcare and life sciences industries.

Gregg Malkary is the Founder and Managing Director of Spyglass. With more than 30 years of strategic planning, marketing, and business development experience, he is a nationally recognized leader in digital and clinical transformation helping its clients create, protect, and transform business value to support executive decision making, drive innovation, and enable sustainable competitive advantage.

Spyglass offers its clients market leading portfolio methodologies, tools, and services in the following growth areas:

- Evaluating disruptive technologies
- Transitioning to value-based care and population health management
- Embracing consumerism and digital health
- Improving operational performance through analytics
- Optimizing clinical workflows and EHR systems

Spyglass clients include leading technology companies, management consulting firms, healthcare provider organizations, and the investment community which includes Cisco, IBM, Microsoft, Intel, Accenture, Hewlett Packard, GE Healthcare, Philips Healthcare, Kaiser Permanente, and Johns Hopkins.

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