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Royal Cornwall Hospitals Prescribe Simpana Software to Manage Data Growth and Cut Administration Time

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Major UK Hospital Protects 40 TBs of Vital Medical Files and Patient Data While Embracing Modern Data Management to Accommodate Rapid Growth and Boost Information Governance--

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News Facts

- [The Royal Cornwall Hospitals NHS Trusts](#) (RCHT), comprising three hospitals in the United Kingdom, has deployed [CommVault® Simpana® 9 software](#) to safeguard and manage the rapid growth in important medical and patient data, and has reported cutting overall data management administration time by 40 percent.
- Averaging 600,000 patient visits each year as the principal provider of acute care services in the UK's county of Cornwall, RCHT strives to stay at the forefront of medical advances to ensure the delivery of superior healthcare services. A major part of ensuring the highest levels of patient care is protecting and retaining 40 TBs of different types of medical files and images which are stored in a highly virtualised VMware vSphere ESX environment, encompassing mirrored data centres and 33 remote backup sites. At the heart of the solution is Simpana 9's intelligent approach to [archiving](#), indexing, and storing data centrally.
- According to RCHT, Simpana 9 now enables the IT team to automatically move older data from expensive primary to low-cost secondary storage while accommodating a wide range of retention requirements. Using Simpana software's embedded [deduplication](#), RCHT has also reduced overall network traffic and shortened [backup](#) and restore times to drive increased operational efficiencies and cost savings.
- Thanks to Simpana software's fully integrated [storage resource management](#) (SRM) capability, a 360-degree view of both physical and [virtual](#) environments ensures the volume of data on critical application servers are reduced, simply by removing inactive data that would not need to be immediately recoverable in a disaster.
- Additionally, Simpana software's [enterprise search](#) and [content classification](#) capabilities allows for rapid discovery and retrieval to support compliance audits and strict medical retention requirements.

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- With Simpana software's SRM module, increased visibility into RCHT's environment offers the IT team unparalleled analysis and tracking of storage trends to meet evolving data management demands.
- According to RCHT, centralising data protection has reduced administration to less than five hours each week. Previously, it took up to 20 hours weekly to oversee 40 TBs of backups. Moreover, the ability to add greater functionality has enabled RCHT to move beyond data protection and fully embrace modern data management.
- With CommVault Simpana 9's capacity licensing model, RCHT has broadened its capabilities significantly without having to engage in separate cost analyses for each new feature or functionality acquired. As a result, RCHT has achieved unprecedented flexibility in supporting its VMware vSphere ESX environment.

Supporting Quotes

Andi Patrick, backup and recovery specialist engineer, Royal Cornwall Hospitals NHS Trust:

- "We have all sorts of requirements for safeguarding and retaining different types of data that require sound backup, recovery and retention strategies. CommVault Simpana software not only helps us keep pace with steady data growth, it's enabled us to move beyond just protecting data to truly managing it for greater business benefit."
- "CommVault's capacity licensing alleviates a big headache for me. I no longer have to clear budget hurdles and perform in-depth cost analysis before adding a new capability, which enables me to respond so much faster and more efficiently to new business requirements."
- "Being able to keep an eye on storage growth from a single console is highly beneficial. There's so much data out there and with CommVault's SRM and content indexing, we can find data faster and easier. In the future, others will have access to a self-search capability to simplify information governance and improve the audit process."

- "We haven't had to increase capacity footprint yet, which is incredibly unusual given our constant expansions. We have a much clearer idea of where we'll be in six months or a year. With Simpana software, we'll be able to do more with our data than we thought was possible."

Resources

- [Royal Cornwall Hospitals Case Study](#)
- [CommVault® Simpana® 9 Software](#)
- [CommVault Simpana for backup and recovery](#)
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