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26 or mandatory practices, nor do they carry statutory authority.

## 27 **ABSTRACT**

28 Medical imaging plays an important role in diagnosing and treating patients. The system that manages  
29 medical images is known as the picture archiving communication system (PACS) and is nearly ubiquitous  
30 in healthcare environments. PACS is defined by the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) as a Class II  
31 device that “provides one or more capabilities relating to the acceptance, transfer, display, storage, and  
32 digital processing of medical images.” PACS centralizes functions surrounding medical imaging  
33 workflows and serves as an authoritative repository of medical image information.

34 PACS fits within a highly complex healthcare delivery organization (HDO) environment that involves  
 35 interfacing with a range of interconnected systems. PACS may connect with clinical information systems  
 36 and medical devices and may involve engaging with health professionals who may be both internal and  
 37 external to the HDO. This complexity may introduce or expose opportunities that allow malicious actors  
 38 to compromise the confidentiality, integrity, and availability of the PACS ecosystem.

39 The NCCoE at NIST analyzed risk factors regarding the PACS ecosystem by using a risk assessment based  
 40 on the NIST Risk Management Framework, and the NCCoE leveraged the NIST Cybersecurity Framework  
 41 and other relevant standards to identify measures to safeguard the ecosystem. The NCCoE developed an  
 42 example implementation that demonstrates how HDOs can use standards-based, commercially available  
 43 cybersecurity technologies to better protect the PACS ecosystem. This practice guide will help HDOs  
 44 implement current cybersecurity standards and best practices, to reduce their cybersecurity risk while  
 45 maintaining the performance and usability of PACS.

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47 *Access control; auditing; authentication; authorization; behavioral analytics; DICOM; encryption*  
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## 143 **1 Summary**

144 Medical imaging is a critical component in rendering patient care. The system that provides for the  
145 acceptance, transfer, display, storage, and digital processing of medical images is known as the Picture  
146 Archiving Communications System (PACS) [1] and is nearly ubiquitous in healthcare environments. The  
147 PACS environment serves as the repository to manage these images and accompanying clinical  
148 information within the healthcare delivery organization (HDO). Vendor Neutral Archive systems (VNAs)  
149 perform similar archive management functions as PACS, and this practice guide hereafter includes VNAs  
150 when it refers to PACS. PACS fits within a highly complex HDO environment and may interface with a  
151 range of enterprise information technology (IT) systems and healthcare professionals both internal and  
152 external to the HDO. This complexity leads to cybersecurity challenges.

153 To develop practical cybersecurity guidance securing PACS, we must consider the ecosystem  
154 surrounding PACS, which includes interconnected medical imaging equipment generally described as  
155 modalities. The ecosystem includes modalities; connected clinical systems such as radiology information  
156 systems (RIS), health information systems (HIS), or the electronic health record (EHR); viewer and  
157 administration workstations; VNAs; and the PACS itself.

158 The National Cybersecurity Center of Excellence (NCCoE) at the National Institute of Standards and  
159 Technology (NIST) built a laboratory to emulate a medical imaging environment, performed a risk  
160 assessment, and developed an example implementation that demonstrates how HDOs can use  
161 standards-based, commercially available cybersecurity technologies to better protect the PACS  
162 ecosystem. The example implementation, which represents one of many possible solutions and  
163 architectures, can be used by any organization that is deploying PACS and medical imaging systems and  
164 that is willing to perform its own risk assessment and implement controls based on its risk posture.

165 For ease of use, the following paragraphs provide a short description of each section of this volume.

166 Section 1, Summary, presents the challenge addressed by the NCCoE project, with an in-depth look at  
167 our approach, the architecture, and the security characteristics we used; the solution demonstrated to  
168 address the challenge; benefits of the solution; and the technology partners that participated in  
169 building, demonstrating, and documenting the solution. The Summary also explains how to provide  
170 feedback on this guide.

171 [Section 2](#), How to Use This Guide, explains how business decision makers, program managers, IT  
172 professionals (e.g., systems administrators), and biomedical engineers might use each volume of the  
173 guide.

174 [Section 3](#), Approach, offers a detailed treatment of the scope of the project and describes the  
175 assumptions on which the security platform development was based, the risk assessment that informed  
176 platform development, and the technologies and components that industry collaborators gave us to  
177 enable platform development.

178 [Section 4](#), Architecture, specifies the components within the PACS ecosystem from business, security,  
179 and infrastructure perspectives and details how data and processes flow throughout the ecosystem. This  
180 section also describes the security capabilities and controls referenced in the NIST Cybersecurity  
181 Framework through tools provided by the project collaborators.

182 [Section 5](#), Security Characteristic Analysis, provides details about the tools and techniques used to  
183 perform risk assessments pertaining to PACS.

184 [Section 6](#), Functional Evaluation, summarizes the test sequences employed to demonstrate security  
185 platform services, the NIST Cybersecurity Framework Functions to which each test sequence is relevant,  
186 and the NIST Special Publication (SP) 800-53 Revision 4 controls applicable to the functions being  
187 demonstrated.

188 [Section 7](#), Future Build Considerations, is a brief treatment of other applications that NIST might explore  
189 in the future to further protect the PACS ecosystem.

190 The appendixes provide acronym translations, references, a mapping of the PACS project to the NIST  
191 Cybersecurity Framework, and a list of additional informative security references cited in the  
192 framework.

## 193 **1.1 Challenge**

194 The challenge with PACS is securing disparate, interconnected systems. A medical imaging infrastructure  
195 offers a broad attack surface with equipment that may have varying vulnerabilities, configurations, and  
196 control implementations. Devices deployed in the ecosystem likely come from different vendors and  
197 suppliers, and how one may implement defensive measures may vary based on the nature of the  
198 devices and how they function vis-à-vis patients and other clinical systems. The ecosystem may also  
199 include legacy devices potentially more vulnerable to cyber risks. The care provider team (clinicians and  
200 other healthcare professionals) may reside in different departments and may have components hosted  
201 and used across a wide geography. Some actors may be external to the HDO, interacting with sensitive  
202 information across the internet.

203 As threats to the operational environment increase, PACS and other healthcare systems may become  
204 increasingly vulnerable to:

- 205     ▪ disruption of the system, leading to
  - 206         • inability to render timely diagnosis and treatment
  - 207         • inability to access the system for standard use, including inability to schedule procedures
- 208     ▪ compromise of image data, leading to incorrect diagnosis and treatment
- 209     ▪ compromise of components, allowing malicious actors to use the components as pivot points to  
210         attack other parts of the HDO infrastructure

- 211       ▪ privacy concerns that may lead to
- 212             • fraudulent or improper use of data
- 213             • patient identity theft

## 214   1.2 Solution

215 This NIST Cybersecurity Practice Guide, *Securing Picture Archiving and Communication System (PACS)*,  
216 shows how biomedical engineers, networking engineers, security engineers, and IT professionals can  
217 help securely configure and deploy PACS within HDOs by using commercially available, open-source  
218 tools and technologies that are consistent with cybersecurity standards.

219 The reference architecture includes technical and process controls to implement the following solutions:

- 220       ▪ a defense-in-depth solution, including network zoning that allows more granular control of  
221             network traffic flows and limits communications capabilities to the minimum necessary to  
222             support business function
- 223       ▪ access control mechanisms that include multifactor authentication for care providers,  
224             certificate-based authentication for imaging devices and clinical systems, and mechanisms that  
225             limit vendor remote support to medical imaging components
- 226       ▪ a holistic risk management approach that includes medical device asset management  
227             augmenting enterprise security controls and leveraging behavioral analytic tools for near real-  
228             time threat and vulnerability management in conjunction with managed security solution  
229             providers

## 230   1.3 Benefits

231 The NCCoE’s practice guide to securing PACS in HDOs can help your organization:

- 232       ▪ improve resilience in the network infrastructure, including limiting a threat actor’s ability to  
233             leverage components as pivot points to attack other parts of the HDO’s environment
- 234       ▪ limit unauthorized movement within the HDO enterprise network, to address the potential risk  
235             of an “insider threat” or malicious actors who gain network access
- 236       ▪ analyze behavior and detect malware throughout the ecosystem to enable HDOs to determine  
237             when components evidence compromise and to enable those organizations to limit the effects  
238             of a potential threat such as ransomware
- 239       ▪ secure sensitive data (e.g., personally identifiable information or protected health information)  
240             at rest and in transit, limiting adversarial ability to exfiltrate or expose that data
- 241       ▪ consider and address risks that may be identified as HDOs examine cloud solutions as part of  
242             managing their medical imaging infrastructure

## 243 2 How to Use This Guide

244 This NIST Cybersecurity Practice Guide demonstrates a standards-based reference design and provides  
245 users with the information they need to help secure a medical imaging ecosystem. This practice guide  
246 builds upon the network zoning concept described in NIST SP 1800-8, *Securing Wireless Infusion Pumps*  
247 *in Healthcare Delivery Organizations*. As part of the implementation, the project used  
248 microsegmentation, role-based access controls, and behavioral analytics in the lab's security controls.  
249 This reference design is modular and can be deployed in whole or in part.

250 This guide contains three volumes:

- 251     ▪ NIST SP 1800-24A: Executive Summary
- 252     ▪ NIST SP 1800-24B: Approach, Architecture, and Security Characteristics – what we built and why  
253         **(you are here)**
- 254     ▪ NIST SP 1800-24C: How-To Guides – instructions for building the example solution

255 Depending on your role in your organization, you might use this guide in different ways:

256 **Business decision makers, including chief security and technology officers**, will be interested in the  
257 *Executive Summary*, NIST SP 1800-24A, which describes the following topics:

- 258     ▪ challenges that enterprises face in securing PACS
- 259     ▪ example solution built at the NCCoE
- 260     ▪ benefits of adopting the example solution

261 **Technology or security program managers** who are concerned with how to identify, understand, assess,  
262 and mitigate risk will be interested in this part of the guide, NIST SP 1800-24B, which describes what we  
263 did and why. The following sections will be of particular interest:

- 264     ▪ [Section 3.4](#), Risk Assessment, provides a description of the risk analysis we performed.
- 265     ▪ [Section 3.5](#), Security Control Map, maps the security characteristics of this example solution to  
266         cybersecurity standards and best practices.

267 You might share the *Executive Summary*, *NIST SP 1800-24A*, with your leadership team members to help  
268 them understand the importance of adopting standards-based, commercially available technologies that  
269 can help secure the PACS ecosystem.

270 **IT professionals** who want to implement an approach like this will find the whole practice guide useful.  
271 You can use the how-to portion of the guide, NIST SP 1800-24C, to replicate all or parts of the build  
272 created in our lab. The how-to portion of the guide provides specific product installation, configuration,  
273 and integration instructions for implementing the example solution. We do not recreate the product  
274 manufacturers' documentation, which is generally widely available. Rather, we show how we  
275 incorporated the products together in our environment to create an example solution.

276 This guide assumes that IT professionals have experience implementing security products within the  
 277 enterprise. While we have used a suite of commercial products to address this challenge, this guide does  
 278 not endorse these particular products. Your organization can adopt this solution or one that adheres to  
 279 these guidelines in whole, or you can use this guide as a starting point for tailoring and implementing  
 280 parts of the NCCoE’s risk assessment and deployment of a defense-in-depth strategy. Your  
 281 organization’s security experts should identify the products that will best integrate with your existing  
 282 tools and IT system infrastructure. We hope that you will seek products that are congruent with  
 283 applicable standards and best practices. [Section 3.6](#), Technologies, lists the products we used and maps  
 284 them to the cybersecurity controls provided by this reference solution.

285 A NIST Cybersecurity Practice Guide does not describe “the” solution, but a possible solution. This is a  
 286 draft guide. We seek feedback on its contents and welcome your input. Comments, suggestions, and  
 287 success stories will improve subsequent versions of this guide. Please contribute your thoughts to  
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## 289 2.1 Typographic Conventions

290 The following table presents typographic conventions used in this volume.

Typeface/Symbol	Meaning	Example
<i>Italics</i>	file names and path names; references to documents that are not hyperlinks; new terms; and placeholders	For language use and style guidance, see the <i>NCCoE Style Guide</i> .
<b>Bold</b>	names of menus, options, command buttons, and fields	Choose <b>File &gt; Edit</b> .
Monospace	command-line input, onscreen computer output, sample code examples, and status codes	<code>mkdir</code>
<b>Monospace Bold</b>	command-line user input contrasted with computer output	<code>service sshd start</code>
<a href="#">blue text</a>	link to other parts of the document, a web URL, or an email address	All publications from NIST’s NCCoE are available at <a href="https://www.nccoe.nist.gov">https://www.nccoe.nist.gov</a> .

## 291 3 Approach

292 An HDO enterprise network environment is complex, with IT infrastructure to handle a range of  
 293 functions, including back office billing, supply chain and inventory management, EHRs, and a vast array



294 of connected medical devices. PACS serves an important function within this already complex  
295 environment, through its role in aggregating and centralizing the medical imaging ecosystem while  
296 interfacing with other clinical systems. Specialists involved in the workflow may reside in different  
297 departments, be in different parts of an HDO campus, and be external to the HDO, accessing systems  
298 and images from the internet. This practice guide seeks to help the healthcare community evaluate the  
299 security environment surrounding PACS and medical imaging in a clinical setting.

300 Throughout the PACS project, we collaborated with our NCCoE healthcare Community of Interest and  
301 technology and cybersecurity vendors to identify standard medical imaging workflows, identify actors,  
302 define interactions between actors and systems, and review risk factors. Based on this analysis, the  
303 NCCoE developed an architecture and reference design, identified applicable mitigating security  
304 technologies, and designed an example implementation to help better secure the PACS ecosystem. This  
305 volume provides the approach used to develop the NCCoE reference solution. Elements include risk  
306 assessment and analysis, logical design, build development, test and evaluation, and security control  
307 mapping.

308 To develop the reference solution, we reviewed known vulnerabilities in PACS, the Digital Imaging and  
309 Communications in Medicine (DICOM) protocol [2], [3], and medical imaging process flow, leveraging  
310 use cases described by Integrating Health Enterprise (IHE) [4]. We examined how the architecture and  
311 component integration could be designed to increase the security of the device.

312 The systems security engineering (SSE) framework discussed in NIST SP 800-160 Volume 1 [5] was  
313 utilized to introduce a disciplined, structured, and standards-based set of SSE activities and tasks to the  
314 project. This SSE framework provides the starting point and the forcing function to introduce  
315 engineering-driven actions that lead to more defensible and resilient systems. The SSE framework starts  
316 with and builds upon standards for systems and software engineering then infuses SSE techniques,  
317 methods, and practices into these standard system engineering processes.

318 Additionally, this project reviewed NIST SP 800-171 Rev. 1, *Protecting Controlled Unclassified*  
319 *Information in Nonfederal Systems and Organizations* [6], as well as NIST SP 800-181, *National Initiative*  
320 *for Cybersecurity Education (NICE) Cybersecurity Workforce Framework* [7], for further guidance.  
321 Organizations may refer to these documents in expanding their safeguarding environment as  
322 appropriate. These documents serve as background for this project, with primary emphasis placed on  
323 the NIST Cybersecurity Framework [8] and the NIST Risk Management Framework [9].

### 324 **3.1 Audience**

325 This guide is primarily intended for professionals implementing security solutions within an HDO. It may  
326 also be of interest to anyone responsible for securing nontraditional computing devices (i.e., the  
327 Internet of Things [IoT]). More specifically, Volume B of this practice guide (*NIST SP 1800-24B*) is  
328 designed to appeal to a wide range of job functions, including IT operations, storage support engineers,  
329 network engineers, PACS support biomedical engineers, cybersecurity engineers, healthcare technology

330 management (HTM) professionals, and support staff who have responsibility for medical imaging  
331 devices, viewing or administrative workstations, PACS, or VNAs. For cybersecurity or technology decision  
332 makers within HDOs, this volume provides a view into how they can make the medical device  
333 environment more secure, to help improve their enterprise's security posture and reduce enterprise  
334 risk. Additionally, this volume offers guidance to technical staff on building a more secure medical device  
335 network and instituting compensating controls.

## 336 3.2 Scope

337 The NCCoE project focused on securing the environment of the PACS ecosystem but not on  
338 reengineering medical devices or altering medical imaging processes themselves. This project has led to  
339 a standards-based practice guide that is applicable to the wider healthcare ecosystem. This practice  
340 guide has been derived from implementation of a secure PACS in a laboratory environment at the  
341 NCCoE that seeks to replicate parts of a typical HDO environment. The project considers PACS users  
342 internal to the HDO as well as external users and partners needing access to certain components of the  
343 HDO environment.

## 344 3.3 Assumptions

345 In building this healthcare practice guide, the NCCoE began the project with the following fundamental  
346 assumptions:

- 347     ▪ Medical devices will include flaws or weaknesses that may be leveraged as vulnerabilities.
- 348     ▪ Patches or fixes for these vulnerabilities may not be available or deployable in a timely fashion.
- 349     ▪ Other components within an HDO's network may include flaws and vulnerabilities.
- 350     ▪ Security controls that one may deploy may themselves include flaws or weaknesses that could  
351       be used to compromise the HDO network.

352 This practice guide identifies controls that may be appropriate for mitigating risks associated with the  
353 medical imaging ecosystem made up of PACS and VNA systems. The actual build and example  
354 implementation of this architecture occurred in a lab environment at the NCCoE. Although the lab is  
355 based on a clinical environment, it does not mirror the complexity of an actual hospital network. It is  
356 assumed that any actual clinical environment would represent additional complexity. As such, in  
357 addition to the assumptions noted above, we also assume the implementation of pervasive controls,  
358 discussed in more detail in [Appendix C](#).

## 359 3.4 Risk Assessment

360 NIST SP 800-30 Revision 1, *Guide for Conducting Risk Assessments* [10], states that risk is “a measure of  
361 the extent to which an entity is threatened by a potential circumstance or event, and typically a function  
362 of: (i) the adverse impacts that would arise if the circumstance or event occurs; and (ii) the likelihood of

363 occurrence.” The guide further defines risk assessment as “the process of identifying, estimating, and  
364 prioritizing risks to organizational operations (including mission, functions, image, reputation),  
365 organizational assets, individuals, other organizations, and the Nation, resulting from the operation of  
366 an information system. Part of risk management incorporates threat and vulnerability analyses, and  
367 considers mitigations provided by security controls planned or in place.”

368 The NCCoE recommends that any discussion of risk management, particularly at the enterprise level,  
369 begin with a comprehensive review of NIST SP 800-37 Revision 2, *Risk Management Framework for*  
370 *Information Systems and Organizations* [11] —publicly available material. The Risk Management  
371 Framework (RMF) [9] guidance, as a whole, proved to be invaluable in providing us a baseline to assess  
372 risks, from which we developed the project, the security characteristics of the build, and this guide.

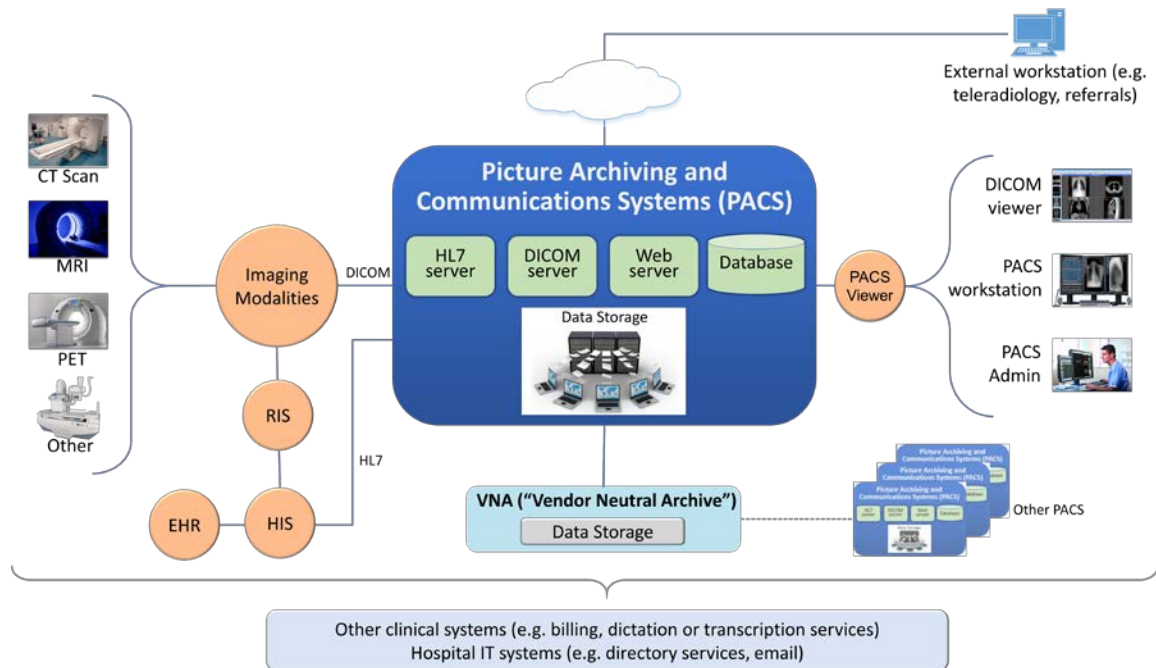
373 In conducting the risk assessment, this document considers threats and risks grouped under  
374 Confidentiality, Integrity, and Availability, commonly referred to as the CIA triad [12].

### 375 3.4.1 Establishing the Risk Context

376 As we examine risk, we begin by considering the risk context. The ecosystem itself is complex and  
377 presumes different teams of people, varying processes, and different technologies involved in the  
378 acquisition, interpretation, and maintenance of medical imaging information. This section presents the  
379 risk context of the Securing PACS Project, which is established around five scenarios that represent  
380 typical processes found in a medical imaging ecosystem [13]. The risk context, which in this practice  
381 guide is bounded within the medical imaging ecosystem logical boundary, defines where risk assessment  
382 is performed. Risk context of the PACS environment encompasses the physical and logical components  
383 of the medical imaging ecosystem that interconnect with PACS as well as the various stakeholders within  
384 the ecosystem. For the NCCoE PACS lab environment, risk context includes the components listed below  
385 and the system actors of the PACS, which include both human and system actors, as described in [Section](#)  
386 [3.4.2](#).

387 Figure 3-1 depicts the notional high-level architecture that bounds the PACS and medical imaging  
388 ecosystem [13]. This depiction provides a starting point in understanding the components addressed in  
389 this project. Notwithstanding, this project takes a holistic approach in framing the risk context, beyond  
390 some of the technology components. This project leverages concepts described in NIST SP 800-160 [5] in  
391 defining context for the PACS ecosystem, understanding risk based on context, and selecting  
392 appropriate controls when designing the control environment needed to mitigate that contextual risk.  
393 NIST SP 800-160, *Systems Security Engineering* [5], identifies concepts of examining system life cycle and  
394 components, performing holistic analysis on both technical and nontechnical processes, to deliver  
395 “trustworthy” systems. Trustworthiness describes a solution whose objective is to provide “adequate  
396 security” related to concerns that may be held by a given stakeholder. “Adequate security” is achieved  
397 through considering a system life-cycle process, and it frames the risk context based on processes and  
398 interactions with the system and its components [5].

399 **Figure 3-1 Notional High-Level Architecture**



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401 The system for this project is broadly identified as the PACS, though practically, it incorporates a set of  
 402 processes and other systems that make up a medical imaging ecosystem [13]. For purposes of this  
 403 project, and in accordance with NIST SP 800-160 [5], we consider the individual components as “systems  
 404 of interest,” noted below:

- 405     ▪ workstations used to interact with the medical imaging ecosystem
  - 406         • viewer workstations residing within the HDO perimeter
  - 407         • viewer workstations residing external to the HDO perimeter, used by remote care  
 408 specialists
  - 409         • workstations used by clinical staff to access peripheral systems, such as Order Entry  
 410 systems, RIS, HIS, or EHR
- 411     ▪ modalities, or medical imaging devices that acquire medical images and forward those to PACS,  
 412 based on orders typically received from the EHR or HIS and following workflows typically defined  
 413 by the RIS
- 414     ▪ clinical systems that interface with modalities and the PACS environment, supporting medical  
 415 imaging processes such as scheduling, annotations, or reporting
- 416     ▪ interfaces for the PACS that may operate as servers, such as HL7, DICOM, or web
- 417     ▪ PACS and VNA application servers

418 In addition to the technology components described above and in the PACS Project Description, we  
419 consider other elements, such as stakeholders (system actors) as well as specific business process flows  
420 in which those stakeholders may participate. The processes align with profiles established by IHE [4],  
421 which this project leveraged to determine process and data flows. The four selected profiles translate to  
422 scenarios described below. Based on the PACS Project Description document, the scenarios of note are  
423 as follows: Sample Radiology Practice Workflows; Access to Aggregations and Collections of Different  
424 Types of Images; Accessing, Auditing, and Monitoring; Image Object Change Management; and Remote  
425 Access [13].

426 This practice guide does not examine pervasive risks an HDO may face but rather focuses on those risks  
427 specific to the medical imaging ecosystem. While this guide considers specific elements that may be  
428 required for safe and secure hosting of PACS, the intent of the guide is not to serve as an omnibus guide  
429 for all facets potentially required to operate a secure HDO infrastructure. This guide addresses measures  
430 that would enhance the security posture for the overall PACS and medical imaging ecosystem, but there  
431 may be elements that HDOs should address beyond the recommendations offered in safeguarding PACS  
432 and the overall medical imaging ecosystem.

### 433 3.4.2 System Actors

434 This project considers several roles that interact with the PACS and medical imaging system ecosystem.  
435 This project looks at both authorized human and system actors. Human actor roles consist of:

- 436     ▪ medical imaging technologists
- 437     ▪ clinicians
- 438     ▪ clinical systems IT administration
- 439     ▪ HTM professionals
- 440     ▪ IT staff

441 System actors that interact with the PACS and VNA consist of:

- 442     ▪ modalities
- 443     ▪ radiology and hospital information systems (RIS and HIS)
- 444     ▪ EHRs

445 Patients are excluded from the system actor list. The actions considered are limited to those focused on  
446 medical images, which include creation of the image, annotation, storage of the image and annotations,  
447 interpretation, and changes to those images. When we consider radiology information systems and EHR  
448 systems, actions are limited to order entry/scheduling of procedures and to pointing to images for  
449 reading/viewing. Process flows are noted in the scenarios below, which describe use case profiles  
450 defined by IHE, a body that this project has identified as authoritative in defining standard imaging  
451 workflow processes [4].

### 452 3.4.3 Use Case Scenarios

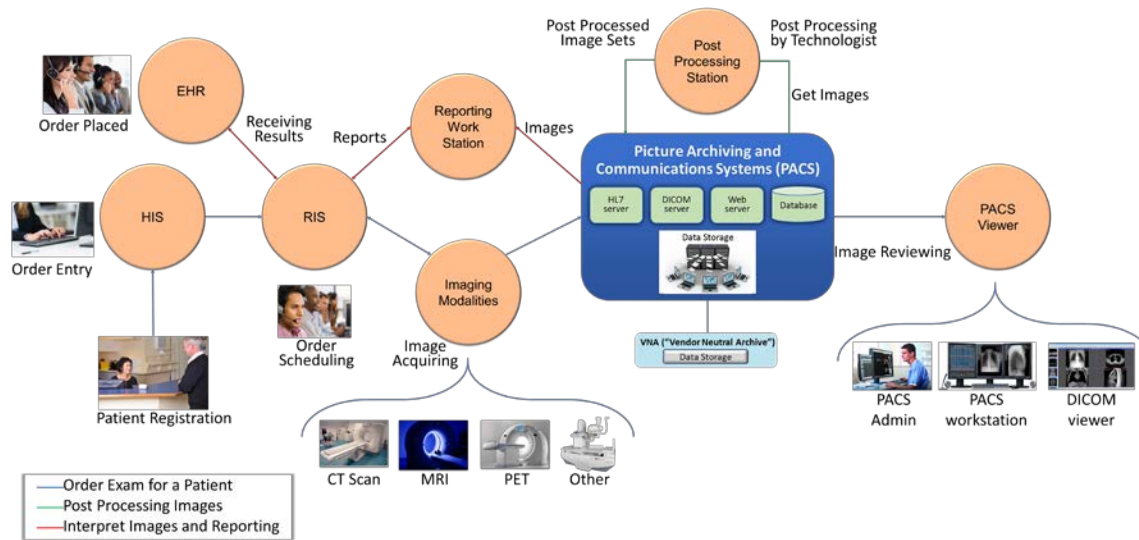
453 This project assesses risk for the five scenarios [13] described below. Consideration of threats,  
454 vulnerabilities, likelihoods, and impacts on medical imaging operations under these scenarios has  
455 contributed to the risks documented in [Section 3.4.6](#).

456 These scenarios frame the processes within which we consider introduction of threats. In addition to the  
457 scenario, this document investigates those vulnerabilities, threats, and risks that may be evident based  
458 on a holistic view of the architecture, as described in [Section 3.4.4](#), [Section 3.4.5](#), and [Section 3.4.6](#).  
459 Notwithstanding, several threats are excluded though are relevant for consideration. While this  
460 document investigates addressing modality interfaces, it does not examine specific modalities or the  
461 risks potentially associated with them. Modality devices themselves are medical devices that may  
462 include vulnerabilities or opportunity for systems or data compromise, loss of data integrity, or  
463 disruption of service, and HDOs should perform independent risk assessments in addressing those risks.

#### 464 *3.4.3.1 Sample Radiology Practice Workflows*

465 Scenario One, shown in Figure 3-2, starts with registration of a patient who requires that an imaging  
466 procedure be performed [13]. For the purposes of this project, the assumption is that the patient is  
467 registered into the EHR, has appropriate identifiers to be admitted as a patient, and is viable to receive  
468 procedures. The scenario follows the process flow that begins at scheduling the procedure, having the  
469 image acquired, and allowing the care team to analyze and diagnose. The assumption is that all modality  
470 devices and clinical staff are on premises, within the boundaries of the HDO. Patient information is  
471 conveyed using the Health Level 7 (HL7) [14] protocol (e.g., patient registration and order entry  
472 messages). Medical imaging devices would interact with the PACS/VNA by using DICOM [2], [3].

473 **Figure 3-2 Scenario One: Sample Radiology Practice Workflows**



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475 The scenario's processes are as follows:

- 476 ■ **Patient Registration:** A new patient provides information that is entered into an HIS. An HIS may
- 477 also be referred to as a clinical information system (CIS). The function of this process flow is to
- 478 establish a patient identity within a hospital where one may not previously exist and then allow
- 479 patient administration to be performed.
- 480 ■ **Order Entry:** Once a patient identity has been established, a clinician can order a medical
- 481 imaging procedure for the patient by using some form of computerized physician order entry
- 482 (CPOE) system.
- 483 ■ **Order Scheduling:** Following a submitted order, a medical imaging procedure involving an
- 484 appropriate medical imaging modality may be scheduled through a RIS.
- 485 ■ **Image Acquisition:** After an order has been created and scheduling has been performed, the
- 486 imaging procedure is performed through the appropriate modality. Acquisition results in
- 487 creation of a medical image.
- 488 ■ **Image Post-Processing:** When the medical image has been created, imaging technologists will
- 489 examine the image and may record initial annotations. The image and annotations are then
- 490 pushed to the PACS.
- 491 ■ **Image Analysis and Reporting:** An imaging clinician may use a viewer workstation to examine
- 492 the image, analyze, interpret, and diagnose, with subsequent notes pushed to the PACS for
- 493 reporting.

494 Stakeholders: medical imaging technologists, clinicians (medical imaging specialists), and medical  
 495 imaging devices (modalities)

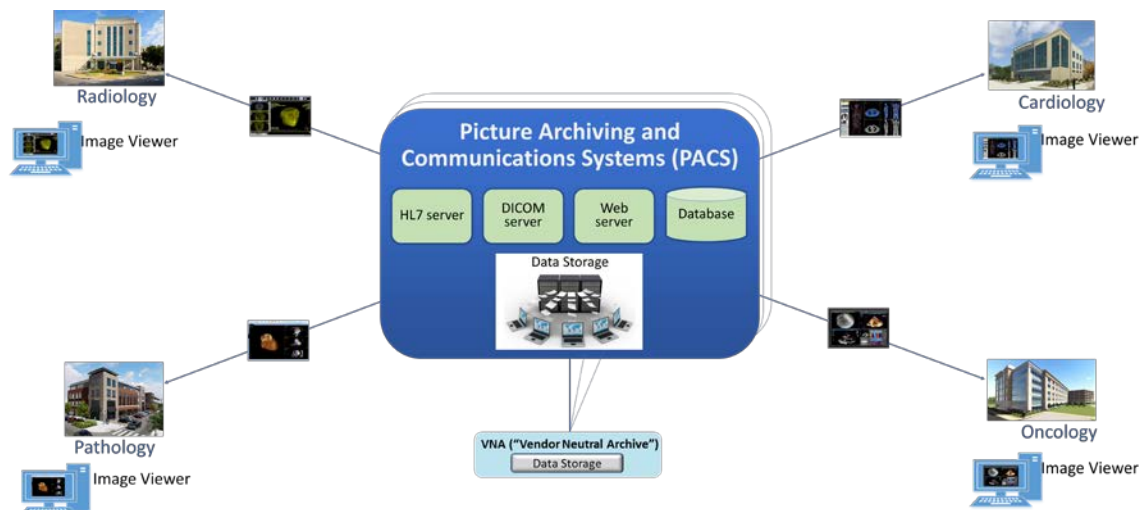
496 Systems of Interest: order entry, RIS, medical imaging devices, viewer workstations, PACS

497 Protocols used: DICOM, web (e.g., https), HL7, HIP

498 *3.4.3.2 Image Data Access Across the Enterprise*

499 Scenario Two, as shown in Figure 3-3, examines multiple departments that use disparate imaging  
 500 devices for acquisition and may involve multiple PACS [13]. The assumption is that different  
 501 departments have separate clinical staff and different medical imaging goals and may use different  
 502 means to centralize their medical images. This scenario simulates a hospital, in that radiology is not the  
 503 only department that uses medical imaging, nor does the radiology department mandate use of its PACS  
 504 to centralize medical images across a hospital. Aggregation and centralized management remain the  
 505 goal, but other components are introduced into the ecosystem to enable this functionality. While  
 506 images are to be stored centrally, access to images is not permitted for all clinical staff.

507 **Figure 3-3 Scenario Two: Image Data Access Across the Enterprise**



508 In demonstrating that different groups and technologies are involved, this project uses a convention on  
 509 showing variables as “\_a” or “\_b.” This allows us to show the separation between two components that  
 510 may be similar in function but are separate, i.e. “component\_a” versus “component\_b.”

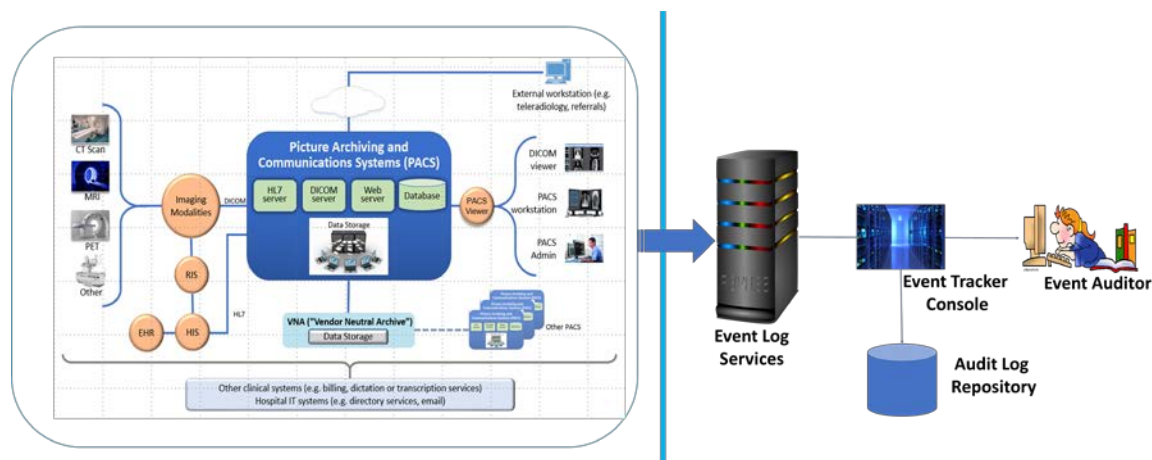
512 Stakeholders: medical imaging staff\_a, medical imaging staff\_b, healthcare technology management  
 513 professionals, PACS\_a, PACS\_b, VNA

514 Systems of Interest: image viewer\_a, image viewer\_b, PACS\_a, PACS\_b, VNA



515 **3.4.3.3 Accessing, Monitoring, and Auditing**

516 Scenario Three, as shown in Figure 3-4, examines the infrastructure required for access control, which  
 517 includes identity management and authentication for actors who interact with the PACS and VNA  
 518 environments, as well as logging, auditing, and monitoring actions with the stored information [13]. The  
 519 scenario considers those actions where individuals or devices retrieve and view information (Read  
 520 actions) and introduce new information (Write actions), as well as when individuals or devices modify  
 521 stored information (Change actions).

522 **Figure 3-4 Scenario Three: Accessing, Monitoring, and Auditing**

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524 Identities would be established for users (humans who interact with the system), as well as for devices  
 525 and systems. Assumptions in this scenario are that individuals have been appropriately identity-proofed  
 526 and are provisioned accounts with which they may access and use viewer applications. Given that  
 527 identities and accounts would be provisioned for both human and machine actors, interaction with the  
 528 system will perform authentication wherein, as actors present credentials to perform actions, challenges  
 529 must be satisfied. Authentication may involve exchange of passwords, passcodes, biometrics, or use of  
 530 cryptographic keys to validate the actor. Actions, including presentation of credentials, will be recorded  
 531 in a log file.

532 This scenario examines clinical use system interaction and does not address privileged user access.  
 533 Controls to manage privileged access are discussed in [Section 4.1.5.1.1](#), Privileged Access Management.

534 **Stakeholders:** medical imaging staff, medical devices, PACS, VNA

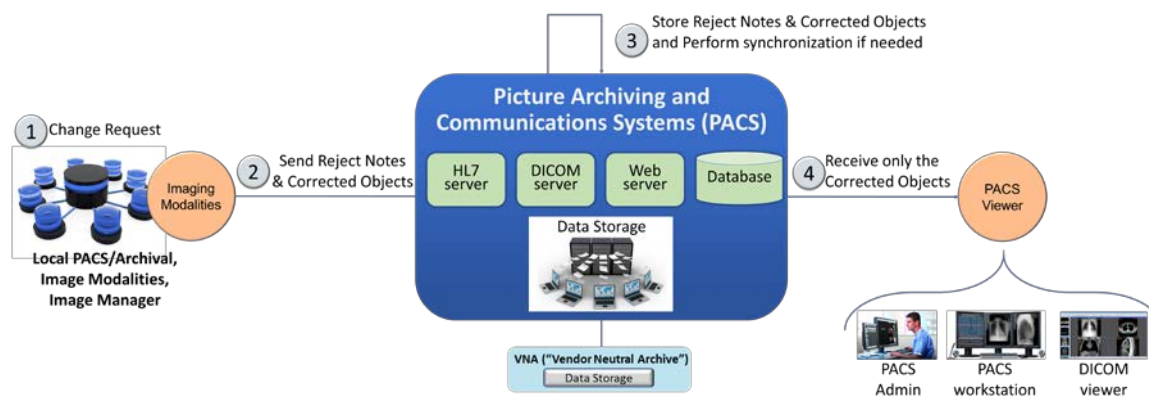
535 **Systems of Interest:** directory servers, user account systems, digital certificate servers

536 **Protocols:** PKI (associated protocols such as Certificate Management Protocol, http, https), domain  
 537 name system (DNS), Active Directory

### 538 3.4.3.4 Imaging Object Change Management

539 Scenario 4, depicted in Figure 3-5, supports the changes that include (1) object rejection due to quality  
 540 or patient safety reasons, (2) correction of incorrect modality worklist entry selection, and (3) expiration  
 541 of objects due to data retention requirements [13]. It defines how changes are captured and how to  
 542 communicate these changes. The scenario considers those actions when an authorized healthcare  
 543 professional, upon review of the image, determines that errors or qualitative defects found in an image  
 544 may lead to an inappropriate conclusion.

545 **Figure 3-5 Scenario Four: Imaging Object Change Management**



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547 Stakeholders: medical imaging clinicians

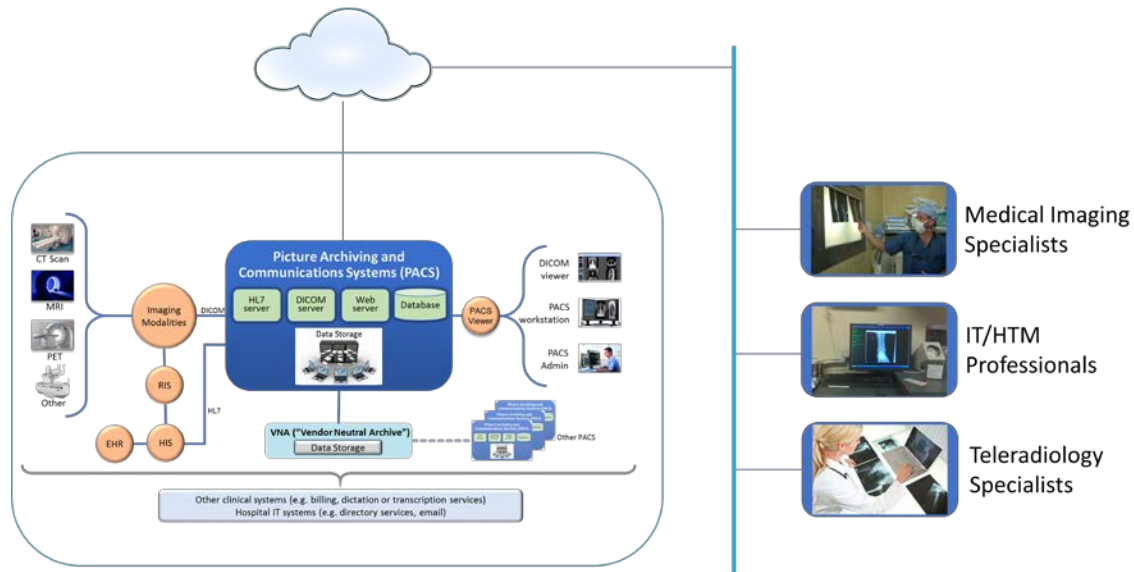
548 Systems of Interest: PACS, VNA

549 Protocols: HL7, http, https

### 550 3.4.3.5 Remote Access

551 Scenario 5, depicted in Figure 3-6, supports external parties who may need access to the PACS  
 552 ecosystem. The scenario provides a pathway for IT vendors to provide remote systems support as well  
 553 for third-party clinical participants to interact with the PACS. IT vendors may consist of clinical systems  
 554 support staff who may need to help maintain the PACS or VNA systems. Third-party clinical participants  
 555 may consist of medical imaging specialists or teleradiology specialists who may need to review medical  
 556 images acquired at the HDO.

557 **Figure 3-6 Scenario Five: Remote Access**



558 **Stakeholders:** medical imaging specialists, IT/HTM professionals, teleradiology specialists

560 **Systems of Interest:** PACS, VNA

561 **3.4.4 Threats**

562 From NIST SP 800-30 Revision 1, “[a] threat is any circumstance or event with the potential to adversely  
 563 impact organizational operations and assets, individuals, other organizations, or the Nation through an  
 564 information system via unauthorized access, destruction, disclosure, or modification of information,  
 565 and/or denial of service.” [10]

566 In laymen’s terms, threats are adverse events that may occur. Threat actors may take actions to  
 567 leverage vulnerabilities (described in the subsection below). Actions may include compromising  
 568 credentials and accessing, removing, or changing data or making systems not available for legitimate  
 569 use. The result of threats is risks [10]. Threats considered within this practice guide are enumerated in  
 570 Table 3-1 below.

571 **Table 3-1 Threats**

C/I/A	Threat Event	Description	Unmitigated Likelihood
C	Abuse of credentials or insider threat	Aberrant behavior from an individual who may have legitimate access to the system, however, may leverage granted privileges for unintended purposes.	High

C/I/A	Threat Event	Description	Unmitigated Likelihood
C	Credential compromise	Adversary obtains the means to use credentials provisioned for others. Credentials may involve other users or those used by systems for process or data handling.	High
C	Data exfiltration	The removal of data to an unintended destination. Exfiltration may represent the unauthorized movement of data from one system to uncontrolled physical storage media or may represent movement to uncontrolled virtual destinations such as volatile memory, or to unknown storage such as cloud-hosted or virtual destinations.	High
I	Data in-transit disruption	Distortion or alteration of data in transit that results in information that may not be interpreted as valid information. The attack type seeks to distort or alter data in mid communication stream. Received data may be unintelligible or otherwise unreadable when it arrives at the destination.	Moderate
I	Data alteration	Unauthorized changes to the content of the data. Data alteration may not be superficially detected in that the image may appear legitimate. The attack type seeks to make changes when data are in an at-rest state.	Moderate
I	Time synchronization	System components may rely on synchronizing internal clocks to ensure network session and data integrity. Attacks may seek to alter time stamping or ability for systems to synchronize with an authoritative time source.	Moderate
I	Introduction of malicious software	Introduction of foreign, unauthorized code into a system. Malicious software deployments may affect servers or workstations or both. <i>Server components:</i> Unauthorized code may be deployed and run on server components. <i>Workstations:</i> Unauthorized code may be deployed and run on workstations connected to PACS ecosystem.	High

C/I/A	Threat Event	Description	Unmitigated Likelihood
I	Unintended use of service	Operating systems may consist of services or processes used to support a system’s functionality; however, they may be used to perform unintended functions.	High
A	Data storage disruption	Physical media or file space disruption evidenced by prolonged read/write access times, or corrupted data thereby causing unavailability of service.	High
A	Network disruption	<p>Network disruption attacks may take the form of several different approaches. Below are some disruption approaches that this practice guide will examine:</p> <p><i>Denial of service (DoS) or packet flooding:</i> the introduction of above normal network traffic that saturates network infrastructure components’ ability to deliver network communication appropriately</p> <p><i>Routing:</i> inefficient network traffic flow</p> <p><i>DNS or name resolution:</i> Networked hosts are associated with “friendly names” to facilitate interaction; however, name resolution to internet protocol (IP) addressing may be disrupted to make host discovery difficult. Similar or soundalike host and domain names may be introduced to compound confusion.</p> <p><i>ARP:</i> Address Resolution Protocol (ARP) is a localized means by which hosts resolve IP addresses to Media Access Control (MAC) addresses stored in host tables. Corruption of ARP tables may result in network traffic being misdirected or in legitimate devices being unable to connect to the network.</p>	High
	Backup/recovery disruption	Measures that organizations use as a failover or recovery from a prolonged outage may be compromised, e.g., through introduction of malicious software to backup storage media, inability to read and restore from backup media, or introduction of a supply chain compromise	High

C/I/A	Threat Event	Description	Unmitigated Likelihood
		(per above) at a third-party recovery site. High availability or replication scenarios may also be prone to network disruption.	
A	Supply chain compromise	System components may be sourced from multiple vendors and may allow introduction of malicious software (noted above).	High

### 572 3.4.5 Vulnerabilities

573 Table 3-2 lists identified vulnerabilities that aggregate vulnerabilities identified in NIST SP 800-30  
574 Revision 1 [10]. As noted in the document, a vulnerability is a deficiency or weakness that a threat  
575 source may exploit, resulting in a threat event. The document further describes that vulnerabilities may  
576 exist in a broader context, i.e., that they may be found in organizational governance structures, external  
577 relationships, and mission/business processes. The following table enumerates those vulnerabilities,  
578 using a holistic approach, and represents those vulnerabilities that this project identified and for which it  
579 offers guidance. For further description, reference NIST SP 800-30 Revision 1 [10].

580 **Table 3-2 Vulnerabilities**

Vulnerability Description	Vulnerability Severity (Qualitative)	Predisposing Condition	Pervasiveness of Predisposing Condition (Qualitative)
Weak or no system use training	Moderate	Workforce may not be aware or may not have received training on appropriate use or configuration of the system. Users may not have sufficient awareness of action consequences.	High
Weak or no security training	High	Workforce may not be aware of procedures of how to report anomalies. Security teams may not have sufficient training on how to investigate or may not have procedures to address security incidents.	Moderate
Deficient supply chain security controls	High	Organizations may not be aware of third-party practices or downstream suppliers who may implement technology into the healthcare organization's environment.	High

Vulnerability Description	Vulnerability Severity (Qualitative)	Predisposing Condition	Pervasiveness of Predisposing Condition (Qualitative)
Deficient separation of duties	High	Privileged users may have extended responsibility to ensure system operations. This may be embodied by using “super user” identities that allow escalated access to systems, data, and logging features.	High
Weak or no identity management	High	Organizations may have deficient identity proofing or review processes.	Moderate
Weak or no authentication controls	Very High	This may be evidenced through trivial forms of authentication or using credentials with no authentication requirement. Also found in this category is the use of default credentials that tend to be generally discoverable.	Very High
Permissive privilege	Very High	Credentials may be established without examining the minimum necessary to perform the required function. As such, credentials may exist with access to perform actions outside the work scope. Note that permissive privilege may extend to system services whereby services may run as “root” or “administrator,” granting that credential the ability to perform inappropriate actions.	Very High
Out-of-date or unmanaged services	High	Operating systems, other third-party software, and the PACS application itself include a variety of services, allowing appropriate functionality. Over time, flaws, in the form of bugs (coding errors) or the use of libraries or binaries determined to have security weakness, may be discovered and subsequently addressed, resulting in patches or updates. Systems that do not apply those	Very High

Vulnerability Description	Vulnerability Severity (Qualitative)	Predisposing Condition	Pervasiveness of Predisposing Condition (Qualitative)
		patches and updates may operate with out-of-date services.	
Deficient vulnerability management	Very High	Organizations may have deficient application and operating system vulnerability scanning and monitoring practices. Vulnerability scanning here is considered in a narrower context where we consider that flaws or deficiencies may exist in software elements associated with the overall medical imaging system.	Very High
Deficient data protection	High	Unauthorized individuals may be able to read, modify, delete, or exfiltrate sensitive data.	High
Deficient logging and monitoring	High	System interactions may not be captured or retained sufficiently for review. Logs, when tracked, may not be reviewed for anomalies on a timely or consistent basis.	High
Deficient time synchronization	Moderate	Systems may operate on individual internal clocks and may track transactions independently.	High
Permissive network boundaries	High	Configuration may permit unauthorized network traffic to access sensitive assets.	Very High
Lack of network segmentation	Very High	Components may operate on the same network or have implied trust with other components.	Very High
Lack of network session security	High	Network sessions may not be secured.	High
Deficient certificate management	High	Organizations using certificates to safeguard network sessions (e.g., secure sockets layer [SSL]/Transport Layer Security [TLS] certificates) may allow no certificate, expired, or inappropriate certificates.	High



Vulnerability Description	Vulnerability Severity (Qualitative)	Predisposing Condition	Pervasiveness of Predisposing Condition (Qualitative)
Misconfigured network	High	Organizations may have misconfigured network routing or switch settings.	High
Misconfigured storage media	High	Medical image storage demands are great, and organizations may have misconfigured storage arrays.	Moderate
Recovery/restore procedures not tested or not performed	Very High	Organizations may not have created or tested recovery procedures.	High

581 The vulnerabilities in the table above represent types of known vulnerabilities, that is, based on  
582 vulnerabilities experienced in existing systems and networks.

### 583 3.4.6 Risk

584 NIST SP 800-30 Revision 1, *Guide for Conducting Risk Assessments*, defines risk as “a measure of the  
585 extent to which an entity is threatened by potential circumstance or event, and is typically a function of:  
586 (i) the adverse impacts that would arise if the circumstance or event occurs; and (ii) the likelihood of  
587 occurrence” [10]. Risk is the adverse impact; that is, risk is the result when a threat (attack) successfully  
588 leverages one or more vulnerabilities. As organizations consider risk, they should note that risk is not  
589 discrete; that is, a successful attack may involve multiple threats or take advantage of a combination of  
590 vulnerabilities. Also, when an organization suffers from an attack campaign, the organization may realize  
591 multiple adverse outcomes.

592 Ransomware or a DoS attack, for example, could adversely impact an HDO by compromising the  
593 availability of systems and preventing the HDO from treating patients. This practice guide, however,  
594 considers controls and practices that may be appropriate in mitigating or responding to threats affecting  
595 confidentiality, integrity, and availability holistically.

596 Another risk noted below is that of systemic disruption. Systemic disruption may affect availability and  
597 integrity of systems or data. An attacker may compromise the targeted system’s operations, or the  
598 attacker may use the targeted system as a platform from which to conduct further attacks across an  
599 HDO’s network. Systemic disruption prevents the HDO from treating patients, by either making systems  
600 inoperative or altering patient data when malware is introduced. This practice guide also considers the

601 specific case of when targeted systems are compromised and used to attack other components within  
602 the enterprise.

603 Table 3-3 represents a listing of unmitigated risks applicable to the PACS lab environment, based on the  
604 examples of threat types ([Section 3.4.4](#)) and vulnerabilities ([Section 3.4.5](#)) presented above. These risks  
605 are offered in terms relating to the healthcare environment, and similar risks can be expected in a  
606 typical healthcare environment. Note that the likelihood of threats and vulnerabilities would be affected  
607 based on implemented effective controls, which would also affect the level of risk determined.

608 **Table 3-3 Risk**

C/I/A	Risk	Description	Risk Level
C	Fraudulent use of health-related information	Should unauthorized individuals retrieve protected health information (PHI) that includes health insurance information, those actors may be able to submit fraudulent claims and receive reimbursement from a payer for services not rendered to the patient.	High
C	Identity theft and fraudulent use of PHI	Individuals may receive exfiltrated data to commit identity theft in obtaining healthcare. Fraudulent individuals may receive health services leveraging a victim patient's information and, as a result, introduce false information into a victim patient's medical history. This may result in a patient safety concern, in that treatments performed for the fraudulent individual would be captured in the victim patient's history, potentially leading to future inaccurate diagnoses when that patient seeks legitimate care.	High
I	Patient misdiagnosed based on interpretations made from unauthorized changes to medical images	Patient safety may be affected based on imaging data integrity. Should images be altered, care providers may render inaccurate diagnoses and therefore delay appropriate treatment.	High
A	Patient diagnoses disrupted based on timeliness disruption, leading to patient safety concerns	Patients may have conditions that require timely and accurate diagnosis to achieve optimum mortality rates. Communications disruptions that corrupt or deny data may adversely affect this, so that care teams are not able to make a timely	High

C/I/A	Risk	Description	Risk Level
		diagnosis, and patients may have to repeat imaging processes.	
A	Process disruption due to malware	PACS or other systems within the ecosystem may succumb to ransomware or other forms of malware, rendering those systems and associated data unavailable. Ransomware may render full system unavailability, while other forms of malware may delay processing capability or introduce data integrity risk. As a result, the HDO may not be able to treat patients appropriately or make diagnoses. Delays may result in patient safety concerns.	High
A	Systemic disruption due to component compromise	Individual components within the PACS ecosystem may be compromised and used as pivot points from which other parts of the HDO network may be attacked. This may result in delay in patient care.	High

609 The project identified the risks above as requirements that needed to be addressed in the lab  
610 environment. Organizations should note that the tables offered here are samples and notionally  
611 representative. Characterizing threats, vulnerabilities, and risk is contextual. HDOs with different  
612 security deficiencies or unique threat situations in their systems and network environments may find  
613 their categorization to be different than what was identified for this project. HDOs need to consider  
614 their unique profile when categorizing vulnerabilities, threats, and risk. Only then can an adequate set of  
615 security controls be determined for their unique environment. This project identified these risk  
616 elements and scored them as such, based on the assessment performed on the lab environment.

### 617 3.5 Security Control Map

618 As the project considered PACS ecosystem risks, the team performed a mapping to the NIST  
619 Cybersecurity Framework [8], establishing an initial set of appropriate control Functions, Categories, and  
620 Subcategories, demonstrating how selected Cybersecurity Framework Subcategories map to controls in  
621 *NIST SP 800-53 Revision 4* [15]. The table also lists sector-specific standards and best practices from  
622 other standards bodies (e.g. the International Electrotechnical Commission [IEC], International  
623 Organization for Standardization [ISO]), as well as the Health Information Portability and Accountability  
624 Act (HIPAA) [16], [17], and [18]. The security control map, shown in Table 3-4, identifies a  
625 comprehensive set of controls, including those specifically implemented in the lab build-out, as well as  
626 the pervasive set of controls as described in [Appendix C](#) that HDOs should deploy.

627 Table 3-4 Security Characteristics and Controls Mapping–NIST Cybersecurity Framework

NIST Cybersecurity Framework v1.1				Sector-Specific Standards & Best Practices		
Function	Category	Subcategory	NIST SP 800-53 Revision 4	IEC TR 80001-2-2	HIPAA Security Rule	ISO/IEC 27001
IDENTIFY (ID)	Asset Management (ID.AM)	ID.AM-1: Physical devices and systems within the organization are inventoried.	CM-8 PM-5	N/A	45 C.F.R. §§ 164.308(a)(1)(ii)(A) 164.308(a)(4)(ii)(A) 164.308(a)(7)(ii)(E) 164.308(b) 164.310(d) 164.310(d)(2)(iii)	A.8.1.1 A.8.1.2
		ID.AM-2: Software platforms and applications within the organization are inventoried.	CM-8 PM-5	N/A	45 C.F.R. §§ 164.308(a)(1)(ii)(A) 164.308(a)(4)(ii)(A) 164.308(a)(7)(ii)(E) 164.308(b) 164.310(d) 164.310(d)(2)(iii)	A.8.1.1 A.8.1.2 A.12.5.1
		ID.AM-3: Organizational communication and data flows are mapped.	AC-4 CA-3 CA-9 PL-8	SGUD	45 C.F.R. §§ 164.308(a)(1)(ii)(A) 164.308(a)(3)(ii)(A) 164.308(a)(8) 164.310(d)	A.13.2.1 A.13.2.2
		ID.AM-4: External information systems are catalogued.	AC-20 SA-9	RDMP	45 C.F.R. §§ 164.308(a)(1)(ii)(A) 164.308(a)(4)(ii)(A) 164.308(a)(7)(ii)(E) 164.308(b) 164.310(d) 164.310(d)(2)(iii)	A.11.2.6

NIST Cybersecurity Framework v1.1				Sector-Specific Standards & Best Practices		
Function	Category	Subcategory	NIST SP 800-53 Revision 4	IEC TR 80001-2-2	HIPAA Security Rule	ISO/IEC 27001
		ID.AM-5: Resources (e.g., hardware, devices, data, time, personnel, and software) are prioritized based on their classification, criticality, and business value.	CP-2 RA-2 SA-14 SC-6	SGUD	45 C.F.R. §§ 164.308(a)(7)(ii)(E)	A.8.2.1
	Risk Assessment (ID.RA)	ID.RA-1: Asset vulnerabilities are identified and documented.	CA-2 CA-7 CA-8 RA-3 RA-5 SA-5 SA-11 SI-2 SI-4 SI-5	MLDP RDMP SGUD	45 C.F.R. §§ 164.308(a)(1)(i) 164.308(a)(1)(ii)(A) 164.308(a)(1)(ii)(B) 164.308(a)(7)(ii)(E) 164.308(a)(8) 164.310(a)(1)	A.12.6.1 A.18.2.3
		ID.RA-4: Potential business impacts and likelihoods are identified.	RA-2 RA-3 SA-14 PM-9 PM-11	DTBK SGUD	45 C.F.R. §§ 164.308(a)(1)(i) 164.308(a)(1)(ii)(A) 164.308(a)(1)(ii)(B) 164.308(a)(6) 164.308(a)(7)(ii)(E) 164.308(a)(8)	A.16.1.6 Clause 6.1.2
		ID.RA-5: Threats, vulnerabilities, likelihoods, and impacts are used to determine risk.	RA-2 RA-3 PM-16	SGUD	45 C.F.R. §§ 164.308(a)(1)(ii)(A) 164.308(a)(1)(ii)(B) 164.308(a)(1)(ii)(D) 164.308(a)(7)(ii)(D) 164.308(a)(7)(ii)(E) 164.316(a)	A.12.6.1

NIST Cybersecurity Framework v1.1				Sector-Specific Standards & Best Practices		
Function	Category	Subcategory	NIST SP 800-53 Revision 4	IEC TR 80001-2-2	HIPAA Security Rule	ISO/IEC 27001
		ID.RA-6: Risk responses are identified and prioritized.	PM-4 PM-9	DTBK SGUD	45 C.F.R. §§ 164.308(a)(1)(ii)(B) 164.314(a)(2)(i)(C) 164.314(b)(2)(iv)	Clause 6.1.3
PROTECT (PR)	Identity Management and Access Control (PR.AC)	PR.AC-1: Identities and credentials are issued, managed, verified, revoked, and audited for authorized devices, users, and processes.	AC-1 AC-2 IA-1 IA-2 IA-3 IA-4 IA-5 IA-6 IA-7 IA-8 IA-9 IA-10 IA-11	ALOF AUTH EMRG NAUT PAUT	45 C.F.R. §§ 164.308(a)(3)(ii)(B) 164.308(a)(3)(ii)(C) 164.308(a)(4)(i) 164.308(a)(4)(ii)(B) 164.308(a)(4)(ii)(C) 164.312(a)(2)(i)	A.9.2.1 A.9.2.2 A.9.2.3 A.9.2.4 A.9.2.6 A.9.3.1 A.9.4.2 A.9.4.3
		PR.AC-2: Physical access to assets is managed and protected.	PE-2 PE-3 PE-4 PE-5 PE-6 PE-8	PLOK TXCF TXIG	45 C.F.R. §§ 164.308(a)(1)(ii)(B) 164.308(a)(7)(i) 164.308(a)(7)(ii)(A) 164.310(a)(1) 164.310(a)(2)(i) 164.310(a)(2)(ii)	A.11.1.1 A.11.1.2 A.11.1.3 A.11.1.4 A.11.1.5 A.11.1.6 A.11.2.1 A.11.2.3 A.11.2.5 A.11.2.6 A.11.2.7 A.11.2.8

NIST Cybersecurity Framework v1.1				Sector-Specific Standards & Best Practices		
Function	Category	Subcategory	NIST SP 800-53 Revision 4	IEC TR 80001-2-2	HIPAA Security Rule	ISO/IEC 27001
		PR.AC-3: Remote access is managed.	AC-1 AC-17 AC-19 AC-20 SC-15	ALOF AUTH CSUP EMRG NAUT PAUT	45 C.F.R. §§ 164.308(a)(4)(i) 164.308(b)(1) 164.308(b)(3) 164.310(b) 164.312(e)(1) 164.312(e)(2)(ii)	A.6.2.1 A.6.2.2 A.11.2.6 A.13.1.1 A.13.2.1
		PR.AC-4: Access permissions and authorizations are managed, incorporating the principles of least privilege and separation of duties.	AC-1 AC-2 AC-3 AC-5 AC-6 AC-14 AC-16 AC-24	ALOF AUTH CNFS EMRG NAUT PAUT	45 C.F.R. §§ 164.308(a)(3) 164.308(a)(4) 164.310(a)(2)(iii) 164.310(b) 164.312(a)(1) 164.312(a)(2)(i)	A.6.1.2 A.9.1.2 A.9.2.3 A.9.4.1 A.9.4.4 A.9.4.5
		PR.AC-5: Network integrity is protected (e.g., network segregation, network segmentation).	AC-4 AC-10 SC-7	MLDP NAUT	45 C.F.R. §§ 164.308(a)(4)(ii)(B) 164.310(a)(1) 164.310(b) 164.312(a)(1) 164.312(b) 164.312(c)	A.13.1.1 A.13.1.3 A.13.2.1 A.14.1.2 A.14.1.3

NIST Cybersecurity Framework v1.1				Sector-Specific Standards & Best Practices		
Function	Category	Subcategory	NIST SP 800-53 Revision 4	IEC TR 80001-2-2	HIPAA Security Rule	ISO/IEC 27001
		PR.AC-7: Users, devices, and other assets are authenticated (e.g., single-factor, multi-factor) commensurate with the risk of the transaction (e.g., individuals' security and privacy risks and other organizational risks).	AC-7 AC-8 AC-9 AC-11 AC-12 AC-14 IA-1 IA-2 IA-3 IA-4 IA-5 IA-8 IA-9 IA-10 IA-11	ALOF AUTH CSUP EMRG NAUT PAUT	45 C.F.R. § 164.308(a)(4)	A.9.2.1 A.9.2.4 A.9.3.1 A.9.4.2 A.9.4.3 A.18.1.4
	Data Security (PR.DS)	PR.DS-1: Data-at-rest is protected.	MP-8 SC-12 SC-28	IGAU MLDP NAUT SAHD STCF TXCF	45 C.F.R. §§ 164.308(a)(1)(ii)(D) 164.308(b)(1) 164.310(d) 164.312(a)(1) 164.312(a)(2)(iii) 164.312(a)(2)(iv)	A.8.2.3
		PR.DS-2: Data-in-transit is protected.	SC-8 SC-11 SC-12	IGAU NAUT STCF TXCF TXIG	45 C.F.R. §§ 164.308(b)(1) 164.308(b)(2) 164.312(e)(1) 164.312(e)(2)(i) 164.312(e)(2)(ii) 164.314(b)(2)(i)	A.8.2.3 A.13.1.1 A.13.2.1 A.13.2.3 A.14.1.2 A.14.1.3



NIST Cybersecurity Framework v1.1				Sector-Specific Standards & Best Practices		
Function	Category	Subcategory	NIST SP 800-53 Revision 4	IEC TR 80001-2-2	HIPAA Security Rule	ISO/IEC 27001
		PR.DS-5: Protections against data leaks are implemented.	AC-4 AC-5 AC-6 PE-19 PS-3 PS-6 SC-7 SC-8 SC-13 SC-31 SI-4	AUTH IGAU MLDP PLOK STCF TXCF TXIG	45 C.F.R. §§ 164.308(a)(1)(ii)(D) 164.308(a)(3) 164.308(a)(4) 164.310(b) 164.310(c) 164.312(a)	A.6.1.2 A.7.1.1 A.7.1.2 A.7.3.1 A.8.2.2 A.8.2.3 A.9.1.1 A.9.1.2 A.9.2.3 A.9.4.1 A.9.4.4 A.9.4.5 A.10.1.1 A.11.1.4 A.11.1.5 A.11.2.1 A.13.1.1 A.13.1.3 A.13.2.1 A.13.2.3 A.13.2.4 A.14.1.2 A.14.1.3
		PR.DS-6: Integrity-checking mechanisms are used to verify software, firmware, and information integrity.	SC-16 SI-7	IGAU MLDP	45 C.F.R. §§ 164.308(a)(1)(ii)(D) 164.312(b) 164.312(c)(1) 164.312(c)(2) 164.312(e)(2)(i)	A.12.2.1 A.12.5.1 A.14.1.2 A.14.1.3 A.14.2.4

NIST Cybersecurity Framework v1.1				Sector-Specific Standards & Best Practices		
Function	Category	Subcategory	NIST SP 800-53 Revision 4	IEC TR 80001-2-2	HIPAA Security Rule	ISO/IEC 27001
	Information Protection Processes and Procedures (PR.IP)	PR.IP-1: A baseline configuration of information technology/ industrial control systems is created and maintained, incorporating security principles (e.g., concept of least functionality).	CM-2 CM-3 CM-4 CM-5 CM-6 CM-7 CM-9 SA-10	CNFS CSUP DTBK NAUT	45 C.F.R. §§ 164.308(a)(8) 164.308(a)(7)(i) 164.308(a)(7)(ii)	A.12.1.2 A.12.5.1 A.12.6.2 A.14.2.2 A.14.2.3 A.14.2.4
		PR.IP-3: Configuration change control processes are in place.	CM-3 CM-4 SA-10	CNFS CSUP DTBK	45 C.F.R. §§ 164.308(a)(8) 164.308(a)(7)(i) 164.308(a)(7)(ii)	A.12.1.2 A.12.5.1 A.12.6.2 A.14.2.2 A.14.2.3 A.14.2.4
		PR.IP-4: Backups of information are conducted, maintained, and tested.	CP-4 CP-6 CP-9	DTBK PLOK	164.308(a)(7)(ii)(A) 164.308(a)(7)(ii)(B) 164.308(a)(7)(ii)(D) 164.310(a)(2)(i) 164.310(d)(2)(iv)	A.12.3.1 A.17.1.2 A.17.1.3 A.18.1.3
		PR.IP-6: Data is destroyed according to policy.	MP-6	DIDT	45 C.F.R. §§ 164.310(d)(2)(i) 164.310(d)(2)(ii)	A.8.2.3 A.8.3.1 A.8.3.2 A.11.2.7

NIST Cybersecurity Framework v1.1				Sector-Specific Standards & Best Practices		
Function	Category	Subcategory	NIST SP 800-53 Revision 4	IEC TR 80001-2-2	HIPAA Security Rule	ISO/IEC 27001
		PR.IP-9: Response plans (Incident Response and Business Continuity) and recovery plans (Incident Recovery and Disaster Recovery) are in place and managed.	CP-2 CP-7 CP-12 CP-13 IR-7 IR-8 IR-9 PE-17	DTBK SGUD	45 C.F.R. §§ 164.308(a)(6) 164.308(a)(6)(i) 164.308(a)(7) 164.310(a)(2)(i) 164.312(a)(2)(ii)	A.16.1.1 A.17.1.1 A.17.1.2 A.17.1.3
		PR.IP-10: Response and recovery plans are tested.	CP-4 IR-3 PM-14	DTBK SGUD	45 C.F.R. §§ 164.308(a)(7)(ii)(D)	A.17.1.3
	Protective Technology (PR.PT)	PR.PT-1: Audit/log records are determined, documented, implemented, and reviewed in accordance with policy.	AU Family	AUDT	45 C.F.R. §§ 164.308(a)(1)(i) 164.308(a)(1)(ii)(D) 164.308(a)(5)(ii)(B) 164.308(a)(5)(ii)(C) 164.308(a)(2) 164.308(a)(3)(ii)(A)	A.12.4.1 A.12.4.2 A.12.4.3 A.12.4.4 A.12.7.1
		PR.PT-3: The principle of least functionality is incorporated by configuring systems to provide only essential capabilities.	AC-3 CM-7	AUTH CNFS SAHD	45 C.F.R. §§ 164.308(a)(3) 164.308(a)(4) 164.310(a)(2)(iii) 164.310(b) 164.310(c) 164.312(a)(1)	A.9.1.2

NIST Cybersecurity Framework v1.1				Sector-Specific Standards & Best Practices		
Function	Category	Subcategory	NIST SP 800-53 Revision 4	IEC TR 80001-2-2	HIPAA Security Rule	ISO/IEC 27001
		PR.PT-4: Communications and control networks are protected.	AC-4 AC-17 AC-18 CP-8 SC-7 SC-19 SC-20 SC-21 SC-22 SC-23 SC-24 SC-25 SC-29 SC-32 SC-36 SC-37 SC-38 SC-39 SC-40 SC-41 SC-43	AUTH MLDP PAUT SAHD	45 C.F.R. §§ 164.308(a)(1)(ii)(D) 164.312(a)(1) 164.312(b) 164.312(e)	A.13.1.1 A.13.2.1 A.14.1.3
<b>DETECT (DE)</b>	Anomalies and Events (DE.AE)	DE.AE-1: A baseline of network operations and expected data flows for users and systems is established and managed.	AC-4 CA-3 CM-2 SI-4	CNFS CSUP MLDP	45 C.F.R. §§ 164.308(a)(1)(ii)(D) 164.312(b)	A.12.1.1 A.12.1.2 A.13.1.1 A.13.1.2

NIST Cybersecurity Framework v1.1				Sector-Specific Standards & Best Practices		
Function	Category	Subcategory	NIST SP 800-53 Revision 4	IEC TR 80001-2-2	HIPAA Security Rule	ISO/IEC 27001
		DE.AE-2: Detected events are analyzed to understand attack targets and methods.	AU-6 CA-7 IR-4 SI-4	AUDT MLDP	45 C.F.R. §§ 164.308(a)(1)(i) 164.308(a)(1)(ii)(D) 164.308(a)(5)(ii)(B) 164.308(a)(5)(ii)(C) 164.308(6)(i) 164.308(a)(6)(i)	A.12.4.1 A.16.1.1 A.16.1.4
		DE.AE-3: Event data are collected and correlated from multiple sources and sensors.	AU-6 CA-7 IR-4 IR-5 IR-8 SI-4	AUDT MLDP SGUD	45 C.F.R. §§ 164.308(a)(1)(ii)(D) 164.308(a)(5)(ii)(B) 164.308(a)(5)(ii)(C) 164.308(a)(6)(ii) 164.308(a)(8) 164.310(d)(2)(iii)	A.12.4.1 A.16.1.7
		DE.AE-5: Incident alert thresholds are established.	IR-4 IR-5 IR-8	DTBK MLDP SGUD	45 C.F.R. §§ 164.308(a)(1)(i) 164.308(a)(1)(ii)(D) 164.308(a)(5)(ii)(B) 164.308(a)(5)(ii)(C) 164.308(6)(i) 164.308(a)(6)(i)	A.16.1.4
	Security Continuous Monitoring (DE.CM)	DE.CM-1: The network is monitored to detect potential cybersecurity events.	AC-2 AU-12 CA-7 CM-3 SC-5 SC-7 SI-4	AUDT CNFS CSUP MLDP NAUT	45 C.F.R. §§ 164.308(a)(1)(i) 164.308(a)(1)(ii)(D) 164.308(a)(5)(ii)(B) 164.308(a)(5)(ii)(C) 164.308(a)(2) 164.308(a)(3)(ii)(A)	N/A

NIST Cybersecurity Framework v1.1				Sector-Specific Standards & Best Practices		
Function	Category	Subcategory	NIST SP 800-53 Revision 4	IEC TR 80001-2-2	HIPAA Security Rule	ISO/IEC 27001
		DE.CM-3: Personnel activity is monitored to detect potential cybersecurity events.	AC-2 AU-12 AU-13 CA-7 CM-10 CM-11	AUDT EMRG PAUT	45 C.F.R. §§ 164.308(a)(1)(ii)(D) 164.308(a)(3)(ii)(A) 164.308(a)(5)(ii)(C) 164.312(a)(2)(i) 164.312(b) 164.312(d)	A.12.4.1 A.12.4.3
		DE.CM-4: Malicious code is detected.	SI-3 SI-8	IGAU MLDP	45 C.F.R. §§ 164.308(a)(1)(ii)(D) 164.308(a)(5)(ii)(B)	A.12.2.1
		DE.CM-7: Monitoring for unauthorized personnel, connections, devices, and software is performed.	AU-12 CA-7 CM-3 CM-8 PE-3 PE-6 PE-20 SI-4	AUDT PAUT PLOK	45 C.F.R. §§ 164.308(a)(1)(ii)(D) 164.308(a)(5)(ii)(B) 164.308(a)(5)(ii)(C) 164.310(a)(1) 164.310(a)(2)(ii) 164.310(a)(2)(iii)	A.12.4.1 A.14.2.7 A.15.2.1
		DE.CM-8: Vulnerability scans are performed.	RA-5	MLDP PLOK	45 C.F.R. §§ 164.308(a)(1)(i) 164.308(a)(8)	A.12.6.1
<b>RESPOND (RS)</b>	Response Planning (RS.RP)	RS.RP-1: Response plan is executed during or after an event.	CP-2 CP-10 IR-4 IR-8	DTBK MLDP SGUD	45 C.F.R. §§ 164.308(a)(6)(ii) 164.308(a)(7)(i) 164.308(a)(7)(ii)(A) 164.308(a)(7)(ii)(B) 164.308(a)(7)(ii)(C) 164.310(a)(2)(i) 164.312(a)(2)(ii)	A.16.1.5

NIST Cybersecurity Framework v1.1				Sector-Specific Standards & Best Practices		
Function	Category	Subcategory	NIST SP 800-53 Revision 4	IEC TR 80001-2-2	HIPAA Security Rule	ISO/IEC 27001
RECOVER (RC)	Recovery Planning (RC.RP)	RC.RP-1: Recovery plan is executed during or after a cybersecurity incident.	CP-10 IR-4 IR-8	DTBK MLDP SGUD	45 C.F.R. §§ 164.308(a)(7) 164.308(a)(7)(i) 164.308(a)(7)(ii) 164.308(a)(7)(ii)(C) 164.310(a)(2)(i) 164.312(a)(2)(ii)	A.16.1.5

628 **3.6 Technologies**

629 Table 3-5 lists all of the products and technologies used in this project and provides a mapping among  
 630 the generic application term, the specific product used, and the security control(s) that the product  
 631 provides or supports. Refer to for an explanation of the NIST Cybersecurity Framework Subcategory  
 632 codes.

633 **Table 3-5 Products and Technologies**

Component/ Capability	Product	Function	NIST Cybersecurity Framework Subcategories
PACS and VNA	Hyland Acuo Vendor Neutral Archive Version 6.0.4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Provides access to medical images and documents</li> <li>▪ Stores and retrieves images in a standard format to be accessed by various vendor-neutral systems</li> </ul>	PR.AC-1 PR.AC-4 PR.DS-2 PR.IP-4 PR.PT-1
	Hyland NilRead Enterprise Version 4.3.31.98805	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Provides medical image viewing and manipulation</li> </ul>	PR.AC-1 PR.DS-2 PR.PT-1
	Hyland PACSgear Version 4.1.0.64	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Provides ability to capture and share medical images</li> <li>▪ Provides ability to scan and share medical documents</li> </ul>	PR.AC-1 PR.DS-2 PR.PT-1
	Philips Enterprise Imaging Domain Controller	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Provides role-based user-access control</li> </ul>	PR.AC-1
	Philips Enterprise Imaging IntelliSpace PACS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Provides management of medical images through access and collaboration</li> </ul>	PR.DS-2 PR.IP-4 PR.PT-1
	Philips Enterprise Imaging Universal Data Manager	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Provides web-based DICOM integration</li> <li>▪ Provides image lifecycle management</li> </ul>	PR.DS-2 PR.IP-4 PR.PT-1
	DCM4CHEE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Open source PACS solution</li> <li>▪ Allows the lab to demonstrate data-in-transit workflow control</li> </ul>	N/A



Component/ Capability	Product	Function	NIST Cybersecurity Framework Subcategories
	DVTk Modality Emulator	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Open source utility used to demonstrate clinical workflow and interaction with medical imaging devices</li> <li>▪ Allows the lab to demonstrate data-in-transit workflow between clinical systems and medical devices</li> </ul>	N/A
	DVTk RIS Emulator	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Open source utility used to demonstrate clinical workflow and interaction with medical imaging devices</li> <li>▪ Allows the lab to demonstrate data-in-transit workflow between clinical systems and medical devices</li> </ul>	N/A
Asset Management	Virta Labs BlueFlow Version 2.6.4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Provides discovery, categorization, grouping, tagging, and identification of medical devices</li> <li>▪ Provides flexible user-defined risk assessment and scoring</li> <li>▪ Provides vulnerability management capabilities</li> <li>▪ Provides reporting on risk and security properties for groups of assets</li> <li>▪ Provides threat feed for known medical devices</li> </ul>	ID.AM-1 ID.AM-2 ID.AM-4 ID.AM-5 ID.RA-1 ID.RA-5 PR.IP-1
	Clearwater Information Risk Management Analysis	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Provides asset inventory management</li> <li>▪ Provides risk assessment and compliance</li> </ul>	ID.AM-1 ID.AM-2 ID.AM-4 ID.AM-5
	Tripwire Enterprise Version 8.7	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Provides security configuration management</li> <li>▪ Provides file integrity monitoring</li> <li>▪ Provides patch management</li> </ul>	ID.RA-1 ID.RA-5 PR.DS-6 PR.IP-1

Component/ Capability	Product	Function	NIST Cybersecurity Framework Subcategories
			PR.IP-3 PR.PT-3
Enterprise Domain and Identity Management	Active Directory	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Provides authentication and authorization for users and computers in the domain</li> <li>▪ Provides authentication and authorization to multiple applications within the environment</li> </ul>	PR.AC-1 PR.AC-4 PR.AC-7 PR.PT-3
	DigiCert PKI Platform	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Provides SSL/TLS certificates for secure communication between devices</li> <li>▪ Enables devices to perform data-in-transit encryption</li> <li>▪ Provides certificate management</li> </ul>	PR.AC-1 PR.AC-4 PR.AC-7 PR.DS-2
	Symantec Validation and ID Protection Version 9.8.4 Windows	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Integrates with TDi ConsoleWorks using RADIUS</li> <li>▪ Provides multifactor authentication for remote access</li> </ul>	PR.AC-1 PR.AC-3 PR.AC-7
Network Control and Security	Cisco Firepower Management Center (FMC) 6.3.0	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Provides console management for Firepower Threat Defense</li> <li>▪ Provides centralized control over network and communication</li> <li>▪ Provides network visibility</li> </ul>	PR.AC-5 PR.PT-4
	Cisco Firepower Threat Defense (FTD) 6.3.0	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Provides intrusion prevention</li> <li>▪ Provides network segmentation</li> <li>▪ Provides policy-based network protection</li> </ul>	PR.AC-5 PR.PT-4
	Tempered Networks Identity Defined Networking (IDN) Conductor and HIPswitch Version 2.1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Provides network segmentation</li> <li>▪ Provides end-to-end encryption for device traffic</li> </ul>	PR.AC-5 PR.DS-2 PR.PT-4

Component/ Capability	Product	Function	NIST Cybersecurity Framework Subcategories
	Zingbox IoT Guardian	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Provides passive device discovery and classification</li> <li>▪ Provides behavioral modeling to identify suspicious behavior</li> <li>▪ Provides vulnerability assessment</li> </ul>	ID.AM-3 ID.RA-1 ID.RA-5 DE.AE-1 DE.AE-2 DE.AE-3 DE.AE-5 DE.CM-1 DE.CM-7
	Forescout CounterACT 8	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Provides passive device discovery and profiling</li> <li>▪ Provides network access control</li> </ul>	PR.AC-4 PR.AC-7 PR.PT-4 DE.AE-1 DE.AE-3 DE.CM-1 DE.CM-7
	Symantec Endpoint Detection and Response (EDR) Version 4.1.0	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Provides centralized management of threats across endpoint, network, and web traffic</li> </ul>	DE.CM-1 DE.CM-4
	Cisco Stealthwatch Version 7.0.0	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Provides insight into who and what is on the network</li> <li>▪ Provides network analysis through machine learning and global threat intelligence</li> <li>▪ Provides malware detection for encrypted traffic</li> </ul>	ID.AM-3 DE.AE-1 DE.AE-2 DE.AE-3 DE.AE-5 DE.CM-1 DE.CM-3 DE.CM-7
Secure Remote Access	TDi Technologies ConsoleWorks Version 5.1-0u1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Provides remote access for external collaborators</li> <li>▪ Provides logging and monitoring of remote access activities</li> </ul>	PR.AC-3 PR.AC-7

Component/ Capability	Product	Function	NIST Cybersecurity Framework Subcategories
Endpoint Protection and Security	Symantec Data Center Security: Server Advanced (DCS:SA) Version 6.7	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Provides protection for physical and virtual servers</li> <li>▪ Provides intrusion detection and prevention</li> <li>▪ Provides file integrity monitoring</li> </ul>	PR.DS-6 PR.IP-3
	Symantec Endpoint Protection (SEP 14) Version 14.2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Provides centralized management of assets through agent-based protection</li> <li>▪ Provides advanced machine learning and behavioral analysis techniques to identify known and unknown threats</li> <li>▪ Provides anti-virus (AV) capabilities</li> </ul>	DE.CM-4 DE.CM-8

## 634 4 Architecture

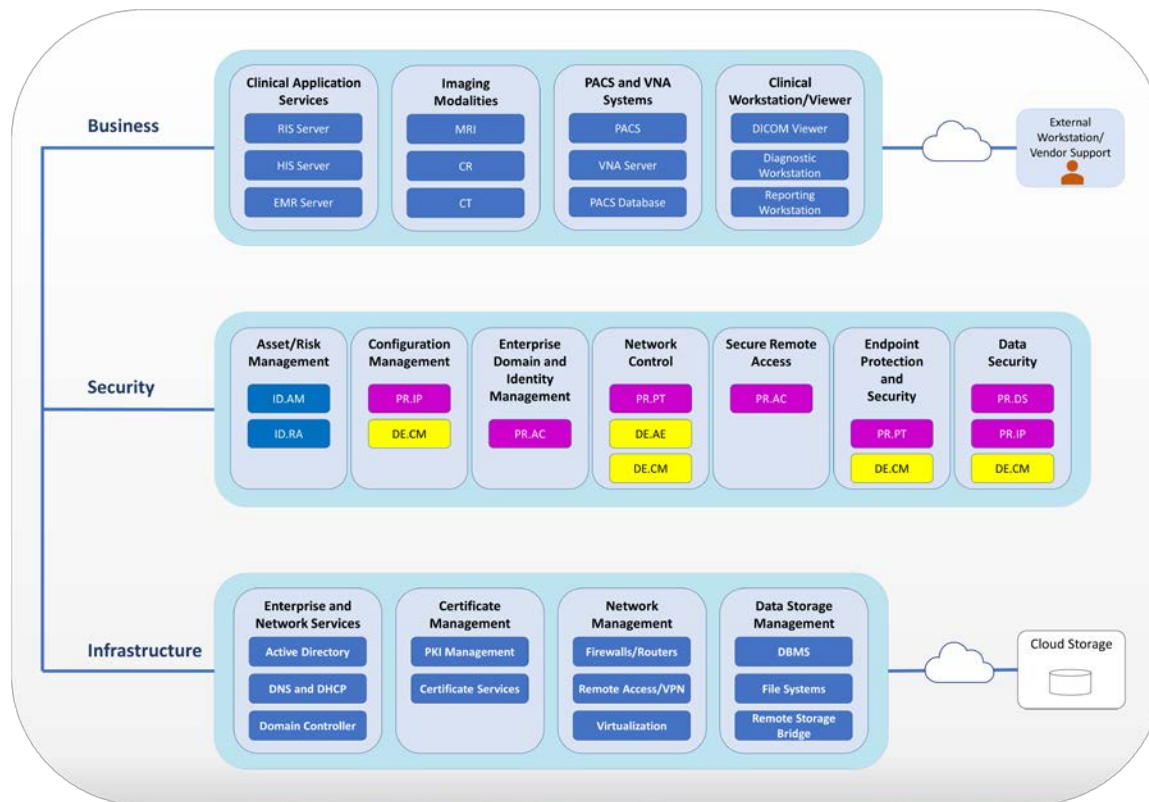
635 This practice guide looks at the reference architecture holistically. Food and Drug Administration (FDA)  
636 guidance looks at “medical devices that provide functions related to the management of medical images  
637 after acquisition, including communication, storage, processing and display (generally known as Picture  
638 Archiving and Communications Systems [PACS])” [19]. In addition to the PACS, this project also uses VNA  
639 solutions that meet the FDA’s definition of PACS but have other features that HDOs may use to enhance  
640 their overall image management ecosystem. This guide understands that healthcare systems  
641 interoperate with one another and that the reference architecture needs to accommodate a broad view  
642 of the medical imaging ecosystem.

### 643 4.1 Architecture Description

644 Our project’s architecture looks at components from three primary layers:

- 645 ▪ business, where we deployed our core medical imaging components
- 646 ▪ security, where we implemented security tools
- 647 ▪ infrastructure, which represents our network

648 Figure 4-1 illustrates the project’s high-level architecture.

649 **Figure 4-1 High-Level PACS Architecture**

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651 The PACS ecosystem includes components that address data in transit, data at rest, and data processing  
 652 and provides applications allowing authorized individuals to review and interact with data stored in their  
 653 respective systems. Also included in our architecture are clinical systems, including imaging modalities  
 654 and applications such as the RIS that each play business process roles that interact with the PACS and  
 655 VNA. Medical imaging generally uses standard protocols, including DICOM.

656 DICOM is an international standard specific to storing, retrieving, printing, processing, and displaying  
 657 medical information. The DICOM standard assures medical image information operability and provides a  
 658 common standard, allowing different medical imaging product vendors to integrate their solutions into  
 659 the medical imaging ecosystem [2], [3].

660 In addition to the DICOM standard, PACS uses the HL7 protocol for clinical documentation and image  
 661 reporting. HL7 defines a markup standard for exchange of health information in a structured format by  
 662 using a Clinical Document Architecture (CDA) [20].

663 This document examines standard technology components in addition to the protocols noted above.  
 664 Central to PACS are storage media, the network infrastructure, supporting operating systems, as well as  
 665 application servers to support information exchange (e.g., HL7, DICOM, and web servers).

666 The architecture described for this project implements several zones consisting of:

667 **Clinical Application Services** consist of systems such as the EHR, order entry, health information  
668 systems, and others used by patient care teams in recording information during treatment of patients.

669 **Clinical Workstations** are segregated from the standard production network. Clinical workstations are  
670 special-purpose devices used to interact with clinical systems. Those devices may use vendor-specified  
671 operating systems, applications, and configurations that vary from the HDO standard build.  
672 Configuration and patch management may be asynchronous with how the HDO manages its productivity  
673 or standard build systems.

674 **Enterprise Network Services** are systems used to ensure enterprise operations are segregated into the  
675 enterprise network services zone. Services consist of email communications, Active Directory, DNS, and  
676 security services such as certificate management.

677 **Modalities:** Departments using imaging equipment, generally termed as modalities, would connect  
678 those imaging devices to the modalities zone. These devices are medical devices using operating  
679 systems that are not consistent with an HDO's baseline. Configuration and patch management are likely  
680 asynchronous with how the HDO manages its productivity or standard build systems. For purposes of  
681 this project, this zone includes emulated modalities. Images themselves are generated using simulation  
682 software.

683 **PACS and VNA Systems:** PACS and VNA applications are segregated from clinical applications, general  
684 workstations, and storage media. This zone provides the higher-level application functionality to interact  
685 with aggregated medical images.

686 **Storage:** Large scale storage, such as storage area networks (SANs) or network-attached storage (NAS)  
687 devices, would reside in a segregated zone. Data found in this zone may be unstructured, large files and  
688 consist of sensitive, personal, or protected health information. Depicted below is the storage zone,  
689 which also includes cloud storage, delineated as a separate zone.

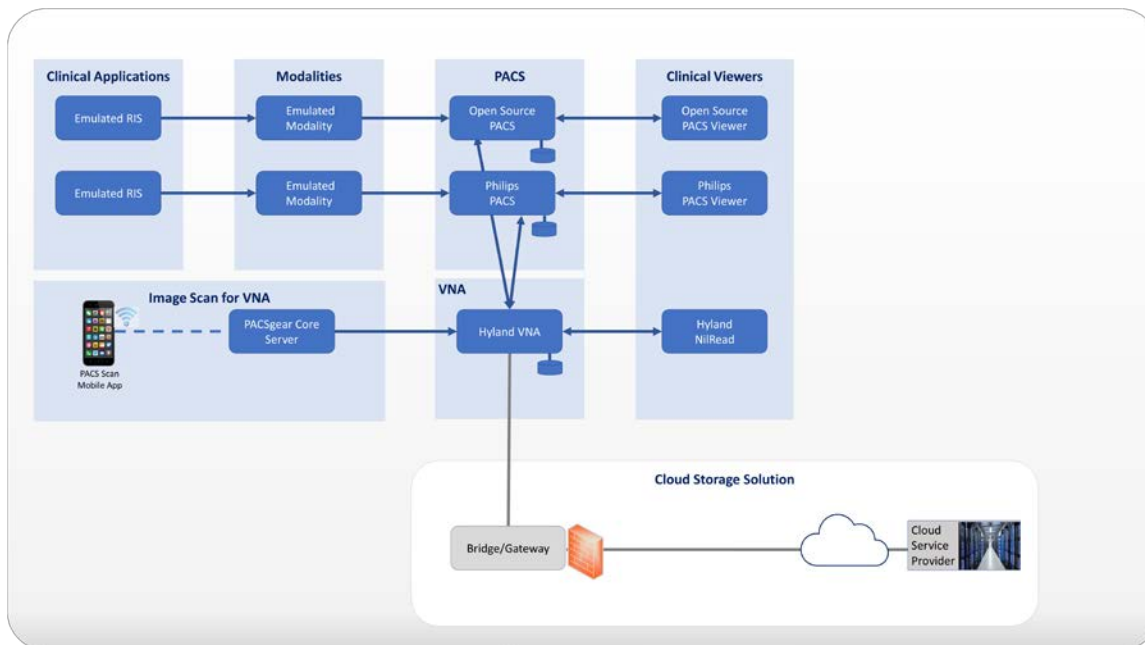
690 **Vendor Net** supports remote connectivity, e.g., remote vendor support. This zone segregates external  
691 network traffic used when vendors may need to perform maintenance on systems or other equipment  
692 while the support engineer is off premises.

#### 693 4.1.1 PACS Ecosystem Components

694 The PACS ecosystem includes those components that support the clinical processes associated with  
695 supporting medical imaging acquisition, review, annotation, and storage. Image acquisition worklists are  
696 generated by clinical applications, such as RIS, and applied to associated modalities. Modalities retrieve  
697 worklists from the RIS. This practice guide also includes a mobile device used to scan documents and  
698 images, and this guide treats this device as a modality. Images are stored and managed by PACS and  
699 VNA systems, and images are reviewed and annotated through image viewer applications installed on

700 clinical workstations. In building the lab environment, this practice guide emulated some of the  
 701 components rather than obtaining full scale solutions. This guide implemented emulated modalities and  
 702 an emulated RIS. A smartphone device is used for document scanning. The lab environment includes  
 703 two distinct PACS and a VNA. Also, workstations are deployed that include image viewing software that  
 704 was provided by the PACS and VNA solutions respectively. Figure 4-2 depicts a high-level view of these  
 705 components and how we approached implementing them in the lab environment.

706 **Figure 4-2 PACS Ecosystem Components**



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708 In the lab, this project deployed emulated medical imaging modalities as well as an emulated RIS using  
 709 an open source tool from DVTK (<https://www.dvtk.org>). The project deployed two instances of the RIS  
 710 Emulator into the *clinical application services* zone. The DVTK RIS Emulators associate the modalities  
 711 with separate PACS and provide worklists for those modalities associated with two respective PACS,  
 712 reflective of an HDO that may operate multiple PACS. The project used Philips IntelliSpace PACS and  
 713 DCM4CHEE (<https://www.dcm4che.org/>), an open source PACS, to support this premise. Hyland Acuo  
 714 VNA was deployed to model HDOs using this technology.

715 The modalities were deployed to a modalities network zone. Using emulated modalities allowed the  
 716 project team to simulate DICOM image acquisition, interaction with the RIS, and transferring images  
 717 from the modality device to the PACS and VNA for storage and management. An iPhone was used to  
 718 operate the PACS Scan Mobile app provided by Hyland, connecting to a PACSgear Core Server. The

719 iPhone device was treated as a modality, with the app facilitating document scanning and, through the  
720 PACSgear server, transferring mobile acquired images to the VNA.

#### 721 4.1.2 Data and Process Flow

722 For this project, we examined data and process flows as described in [Section 3.4.1](#), Establishing the Risk  
723 Context, that include the following scenarios:

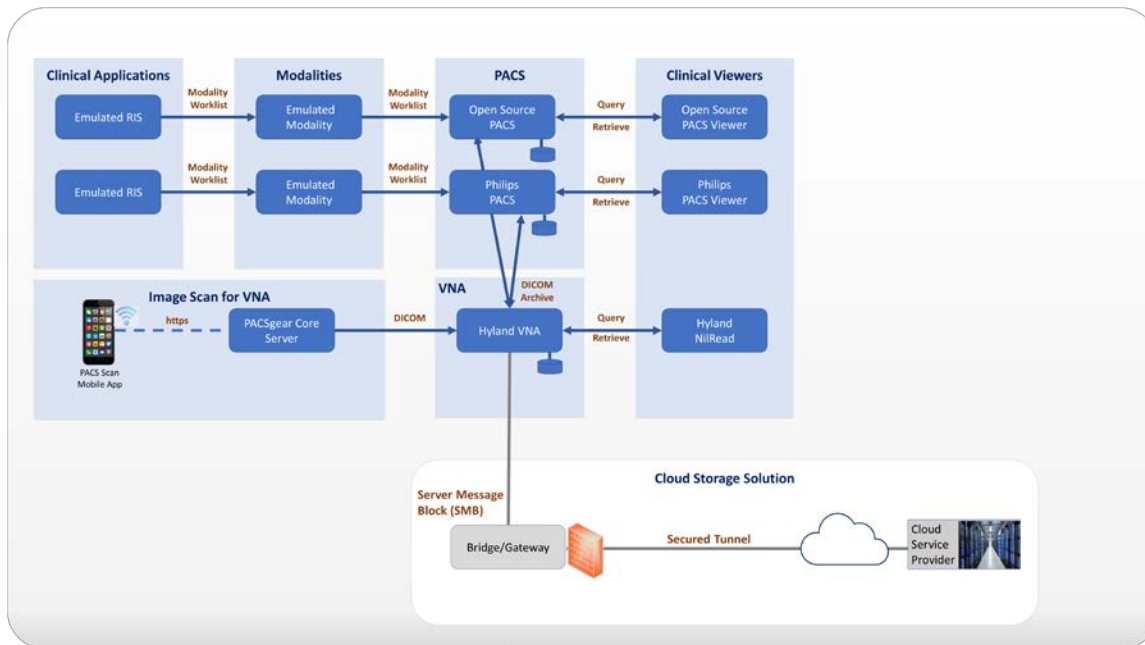
- 724     ▪ sample radiology practice flows
- 725     ▪ access to aggregations and collections of different types of images
- 726     ▪ accessing monitoring and auditing
- 727     ▪ image object change management
- 728     ▪ remote access

729 The scenarios identify those processes involved when a medical image is acquired, starting with  
730 scheduling the patient for a procedure, and follows the life cycle through when the patient interacts  
731 with an imaging device to when a medical imaging specialist processes and forwards the annotated  
732 image to a clinician for interpretation and diagnosis. Scenarios also examine processes after direct  
733 patient interaction, such as when images may be accessed for later review or if images need to be  
734 updated.

735 Figure 4-3 shows a simplified data communication flow in the PACS ecosystem.



736 Figure 4-3 PACS Ecosystem Data Communication Flow



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738 A typical radiology department workflow may begin with patient registration and admissions, followed  
 739 by a physician ordering an imaging procedure. The order is entered into a RIS to create a worklist. A  
 740 medical imaging technologist attends to a patient and performs the image capture procedure. The  
 741 medical imaging technologist may make annotations for a physician's review. That information is then  
 742 forwarded to a PACS or VNA. A physician retrieves the images from the PACS or VNA and uses an image  
 743 viewing station to review the images and document findings and diagnoses. On completion, the  
 744 physician transfers the information back to the PACS. Results may cross reference with the EHR system.

### 745 4.1.3 Security Capabilities

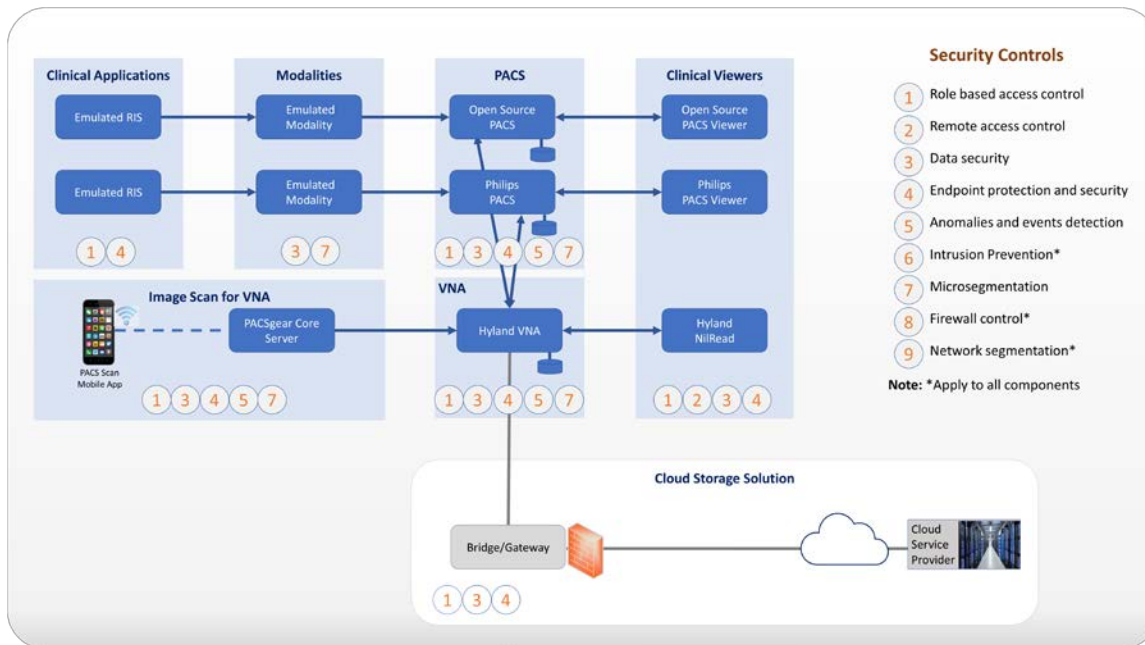
746 For this project, we build upon the zoned network architecture described in NIST SP 1800-8, *Securing*  
 747 *Wireless Infusion Pumps in Healthcare Delivery Organizations* [21]. We used the zoning approach as a  
 748 baseline upon which we could deploy the medical imaging ecosystem infrastructure. On top of the  
 749 baseline, we selected the following security capabilities that were determined to be relevant to securing  
 750 our project environment:

- 751     ▪ asset and risk management
- 752     ▪ enterprise domain and identity management
- 753         • access control
- 754         ○ privileged access controls

- 755           ○ user authentication
- 756           ○ device and system authentication
- 757           ○ data access control
- 758        ■ network control and security
  - 759           • network segmentation and virtual local area networks (VLANs)
  - 760           • firewall and control policies
  - 761           • microsegmentation
  - 762           • anomalies and events detection (behavioral analytics)
  - 763           • intrusion detection and prevention systems
- 764        ■ end-point protection and security
  - 765           • device hardening and configuration
  - 766           • malware detection
- 767        ■ data security
  - 768           • data encryption (at-rest)
  - 769           • data encryption (in-transit)
- 770        ■ secure remote access

771 While the project takes a holistic approach when evaluating the medical imaging environment, the  
772 controls scope noted in this practice guide are bound to those elements that are inherent or highly  
773 supportive of acquiring, interpreting, or storing medical images. An HDO's infrastructure is larger in  
774 scope than that used to support the medical imaging environment. An HDO may and should implement  
775 additional pervasive controls to secure the overall environment. This document references pervasive  
776 controls that were not implemented during the project and assumes an organization would implement  
777 appropriate controls to address its broader risk profiles. Refer to [Appendix C](#) for details. Figure 4-4  
778 below depicts contextual controls deployed in the project's test build.

779 **Figure 4-4 Base Controls on Test Build Components**



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781 **4.1.4 Asset and Risk Management**

782 Asset management is a critical control that aligns with the Function known as Identify in the NIST  
 783 Cybersecurity Framework [8]. For this project, IT general assets are assumed to be controlled through a  
 784 pervasive control such as a governance, risk, and compliance (GRC) solution, e.g., the Clearwater  
 785 Information Risk Management Analysis tool, addressing the core infrastructure. Medical imaging devices  
 786 may fall outside the scope of IT general assets for many HDOs. As such, this project implements Virta  
 787 Labs BlueFlow for asset and inventory management for medical imaging devices. BlueFlow captures  
 788 inventory, configuration, and patch management information [16], [22], [23].

789 **4.1.5 Enterprise Domain and Identity Management**

790 This project looks at identity management controls as including several concepts that encompass  
 791 identity proofing, credentialing, and providing a means to authenticate devices and systems. Human  
 792 actors (clinical, IT administrative, and general HDO staff), medical devices, and systems may have  
 793 identities established within the HDO. An identity is a broader concept than credentials or user  
 794 accounts. This project assumes that HDOs perform adequate identity proofing and provisioning. This  
 795 involves processes that allow HDOs to verify that an individual is who they claim to be, also ensuring  
 796 that the individual has appropriate credentials to interact with clinical systems and medical imaging  
 797 information. Regarding provisioning, this project assumes that following identity proofing, the

798 organization can create and securely deliver credentials (e.g., user accounts in which the individual can  
799 select and update passwords or challenge responses known only to that individual).

800 Identities may include multiple user accounts or access mechanisms that may be applied. For example,  
801 an individual may have a job function as an IT administrator. As a member of the HDO workforce, they  
802 may be credentialed to access certain systems such as email or productivity software. They may also  
803 have access to separate privileged accounts to be used when they perform IT administrative duties.  
804 Having separate credentials established based on functionality or role is a common practice in  
805 healthcare and provides a form of separation of duties.

806 Medical devices and systems may also have identities, where authentication is performed using digital  
807 certificates or other unique identifiers such as host identifiers or MAC addresses.

#### 808 *4.1.5.1 Access Control*

809 Access control is applied contextually, based on the identity type. This project implements access  
810 control for privileged users, clinical users, devices, and systems. Subsections below provide more detail  
811 on the project's approach.

##### 812 *4.1.5.1.1 Privileged Access Management*

813 Privileged access includes those credentials that have permissions to systems that are greater than  
814 standard users. Privileged access accounts often allow greater visibility of resources stored on systems  
815 and may allow modifying configuration settings or permitting installation of software components. One  
816 measure that this guide implemented was segregating privileged access accounts. These accounts were  
817 unique and distinct from those accounts we created that were able to access information via DICOM  
818 viewer applications. When privileged access was required, access to the environment was routed  
819 through our TDi ConsoleWorks environment, which enforced the project's multifactor authentication  
820 solution.

821 For further guidance on privileged account management, HDOs should reference NIST SP 1800-18,  
822 *Privileged Account Management for the Financial Services Sector* [24]. While the document identifies  
823 solutions for financial services, the underlying technology solution is applicable to healthcare and other  
824 sectors.

##### 825 *4.1.5.1.2 User Authentication*

826 User authentication involves the use of different factors. Factors are characteristics by which a user may  
827 be able to assert their identity. In many cases, users are authenticated using a single factor (e.g., a  
828 username and password combination). One means to strengthen single factor authentication is to use  
829 pass phrases rather than passwords. This approach reduces the possibility that a malicious actor may be  
830 able to brute force attack the credential [25].

831 Another consideration that HDOs may consider is to implement multifactor authentication where  
832 appropriate or feasible. Multifactor authentication includes a need to pass two or more factors that

833 represent something a user knows, has, or is. Memorized passwords or pass phrases represent factors a  
834 user knows. Including other factors, such as something a user has, which may represent a physical  
835 token; or something a user is, such as biometrics that include fingerprints, retinal, or facial scans, would  
836 provide greater assurance that the user is who they claim to be. Multifactor authentication may not be  
837 implementable in all cases, and HDOs may need to determine their risk tolerance and implementation  
838 practicality when considering enhancing their authentication models [26].

#### 839 4.1.5.1.3 Device and System Authentication

840 For this project, we emulated medical imaging devices and implemented the HIP. Emulated modality  
841 devices authenticated to a HIPswitch, routing modality traffic across a HIP-secured software defined  
842 network. For further information, refer to the discussion on [Section 4.1.6.3](#), Microsegmentation.

843 For systems authentication, this project used digital certificates. Digital certificates were deployed to the  
844 PACS and VNA servers as well as to a mobile device where we installed software used to scan  
845 documents and images that would be added to our medical imaging store.

#### 846 4.1.5.1.4 Data Access Control

847 PACS and VNA solutions often support a “multi-tenant” concept to allow for different departments,  
848 clinics, or hospitals within a larger healthcare system. These applications may implement or integrate  
849 with directory services that allow solutions administrators to provide access based on role or business  
850 function. This project used role-based access control capabilities found in the Philips IntelliSpace and  
851 Hyland Acuo systems.

### 852 4.1.6 Network Control and Security

853 This project continues with concepts established in NIST SP 1800-8, implements network zoning and  
854 segmentation with VLANs, and builds on the concept by implementing several tools to advance  
855 protective and detective capabilities. As examples of these enhancements, this project deploys a next-  
856 generation firewall, introduces microsegmentation, and implements behavioral analytics in its network  
857 control and security in its approach. Subsections below provide additional information on these topics.

#### 858 4.1.6.1 Network Segmentation and VLANs

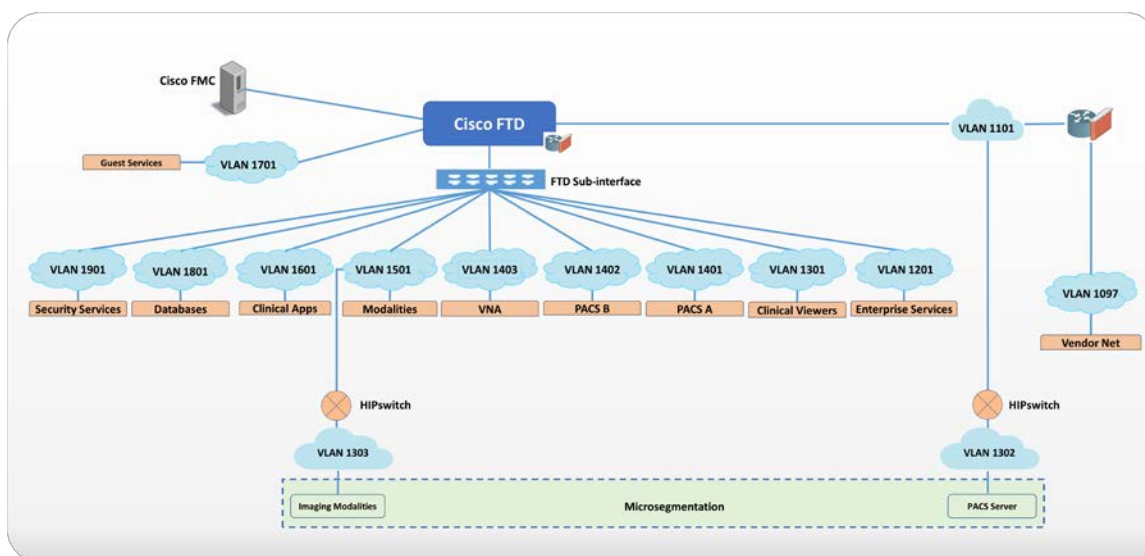
859 The PACS ecosystem is made up of a variety of different devices with independent requirements to  
860 ensure proper functionality. While some devices may require network access to remote services, others  
861 may operate effectively with limited connectivity outside their subnet. To meet these needs, we  
862 implemented VLAN to segment the PACS network based on devices of similar needs and functionalities.  
863 This complies with the concept of “network zoning” introduced in NIST SP 1800-8 [21]. With this  
864 approach, we eliminate inherent trust between VLANs. Devices are allowed to communicate with only  
865 trusted devices based on carefully crafted network policies.

866 In total, the PACS project implemented the architecture described in [Section 4.1](#) by constructing a  
 867 network that was segmented into VLANs. The project implementation was limited to the main  
 868 components necessary for the PACS ecosystem. The project segmented the network into the following  
 869 VLANs:

- 870     ▪ vendor net
- 871     ▪ enterprise services
- 872     ▪ clinical viewers
- 873     ▪ PACS A
- 874     ▪ PACS B
- 875     ▪ modalities
- 876     ▪ clinical applications
- 877     ▪ guest services
- 878     ▪ databases
- 879     ▪ remote storage
- 880     ▪ security services

881 For this project, segmentation is established through virtualization, with separate subnets implemented  
 882 for each VLAN listed above. Each VLAN is placed behind a router/firewall that implements policies  
 883 defined by VLAN's purpose. Figure 4-5 below depicts the network architecture.

884 **Figure 4-5 NCCoE Lab Environment Network Architecture**



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#### 886 *4.1.6.2 Firewall and Control Policies*

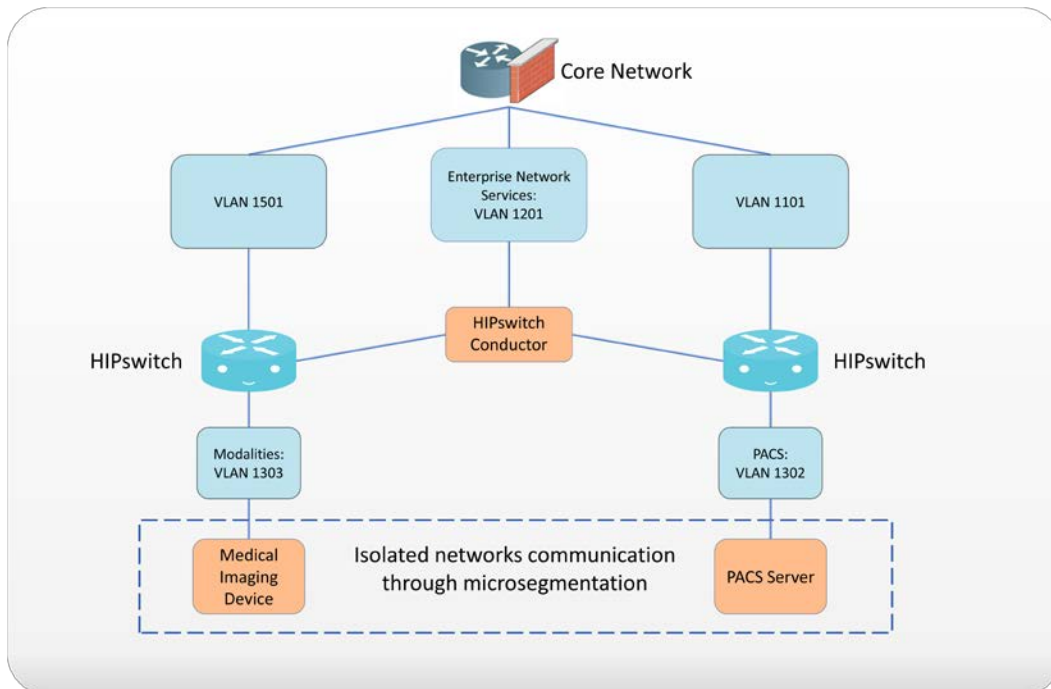
887 This project uses Cisco's Firepower Next Generation Firewall (NGFW). The NGFW provides several  
888 features that combine features previously found in separate perimeter security products such as  
889 intrusion prevention systems, application firewalls, proxy servers, and traditional packet inspection. The  
890 NGFW allows integration of other tools to defend the network against malicious activity.

891 As network and application attacks become more advanced, network controls should be enhanced  
892 beyond stateful traffic filtering. NGFW goes beyond ports, protocols, and IP addresses, providing  
893 standard policy-based protection, while including more advanced tools such as intrusion prevention  
894 systems, application filtering, URL filtering, and geo-location blocking. The PACS ecosystem faces a  
895 variety of threats from different sources, and a comprehensive approach to network security is vital. The  
896 lab implemented network zoning using policy and configuration settings through Firepower. This  
897 allowed the project to implement network zoning and proactive network traffic filtering.

#### 898 *4.1.6.3 Microsegmentation*

899 Microsegmentation uses software defined networking (SDN) to create a virtual overlay network over the  
900 pre-existing network infrastructure. Devices may be grouped based on usage, with developed policies  
901 that establish granular degrees of trust. For our project, the SDN overlay is implemented using HIP over  
902 the existing network infrastructure and offers in-transit network encryption. This project uses  
903 microsegmentation to establish network control for modalities. Modalities represent medical imaging  
904 devices. These end-point devices may contain exploitable vulnerabilities and may not have practical  
905 means to mitigate compromise beyond network protection. While VLAN-defined network zoning may  
906 afford network protection, this guide implements microsegmentation for these medical devices to  
907 reduce VLAN management complexity and provide more robust network segregation for medical  
908 devices. A microsegmentation approach may offer a solution that requires less impact to network  
909 configuration, while limiting adverse interaction with the modalities.

910 Our project implemented microsegmentation through Tempered Networks' HIP solution that includes  
911 HIPswitches, implementing HIP, as described in Internet Engineering Task Force Request for Comments  
912 (RFC) 4423 [27]. HIP provides a cryptographically defined host identifier bound to endpoints rather than  
913 IP addresses. Network traffic between HIP-enabled endpoints traverses a series of HIPswitches deployed  
914 in the lab network infrastructure, creating a cloaked network that operates on top of the physical  
915 network. The cloaked network uses advanced encryption standard (AES)-256 encryption to secure data  
916 in transit and uses secure hash algorithm (SHA)-256 to authenticate data packets from HIP-enabled  
917 endpoints [28], [29], [30]. Figure 4-6 below depicts the microsegmentation architecture deployed in the  
918 project's test build.

919 **Figure 4-6 Microsegmentation Architecture**

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921 While VLAN segmentation can help reduce unwanted lateral movement within a network, it does not  
 922 restrict lateral movement within that zone. For some devices and workloads, it may be necessary to  
 923 isolate their operations and allow only a select few interactions with other devices. The project team  
 924 determined that microsegmentation would be an appropriate control to protect medical imaging  
 925 devices that may operate embedded operating systems or firmware where patch release cycles may be  
 926 different from current commercial off the shelf operating systems. Microsegmentation provides this  
 927 fine-grained approach to isolation and can be implemented within a pre-existing network.

928 Within the PACS ecosystem, we identified an area where microsegmentation would improve operational  
 929 security. This guide implements microsegmentation through a solution based on HIP. HIP uses  
 930 cryptographic host identifiers rather than IP addresses to address and authenticate endpoints and to  
 931 create secure tunnels. This guide uses this concept to abstract IP addressing away from the modalities,  
 932 using identity-defined perimeters where endpoint devices are authenticated to HIPswitches and allow  
 933 secure tunnel communications to other HIPswitches [27].

934 For this project's architecture, it was important to secure this line of communication and ensure these  
 935 devices were properly protected from potential threats. To accomplish this, the project established two  
 936 identity-defined perimeters on two separate VLANs. The project then placed a modality behind one  
 937 perimeter and a PACS behind the other. These perimeters were configured to allow only authorized  
 938 traffic between them, meaning the modality was allowed to communicate only with the PACS and vice



939 versa. Additionally, all traffic between the two perimeters was encrypted, ensuring the data were secure  
940 in-transit.

#### 941 *4.1.6.4 Anomalies and Events Detection (Behavioral Analytics)*

942 Medical devices often operate within strict requirements and limited resources. This makes certain tasks  
943 like vulnerability assessment difficult to manage, as they often require obtrusive operations such as a  
944 host-installed agent. Network-based behavioral analytics can perform the same assessments, identifying  
945 suspicious operations without affecting medical device function or performance. Behavioral analytics is  
946 an automated feature that collects and analyzes network traffic flow and compares the results to a pre-  
947 established baseline to determine whether devices are operating abnormally.

948 For the PACS architecture, the project identified network flows, primarily among PACS, VNA, and  
949 modalities, where it is important to monitor for abnormal behavior. With a baseline established, the  
950 project can identify when endpoints attempt to conduct network operations outside their normal  
951 profile. With this information, we can verify and remediate the threat. The project implemented the  
952 Zingbox IoT Guardian solution.

#### 953 *4.1.6.5 Intrusion Detection and Prevention Systems*

954 Components managed through an HDO's IT operations team would implement traditional mechanisms  
955 to perform malware detection, vulnerability scanning, and remediation. This project involved several  
956 workstations (e.g., image viewing devices), as well as servers that may operate traditional operating  
957 systems. Host-based agents are deployed, as appropriate, to permit the IT team to perform regular  
958 vulnerability scanning for those non-modality systems. This project implemented Symantec Endpoint  
959 Protection on image viewing workstations. Also, the project implemented the Cisco Firepower NGFW  
960 that included a network-based intrusion prevention mechanism [31].

### 961 *4.1.7 Endpoint Protection and Security*

962 This project addressed endpoint protection and security through device hardening and configuration  
963 controls and by monitoring for malware. Solutions were deployed to server and workstation endpoints.  
964 The project also used a tool to monitor server configurations to assure that only authorized changes  
965 were made, therefore maintaining server configuration integrity.

#### 966 *4.1.7.1 Device Hardening and Configuration*

967 Tripwire Enterprise was deployed on server components (e.g., the Hyland Acuo server and the Philips  
968 IntelliSpace server) to address device hardening and configuration management, as well as  
969 implementing whitelisting.

970 To protect servers performing critical functions in the HDO, a host intrusion prevention system (HIPS)  
971 was deployed. The HIPS tool was designed to prevent the internals of an operating system from

972 performing unintended or malicious activity. This mechanism can provide further protection from  
973 attackers attempting to compromise the system, by preventing installation or execution of malicious  
974 software. This tool provides support for policy-based rules for monitoring file system changes of critical  
975 operating system application and system file directories. This allows the tool to monitor critical settings  
976 of the operating system, such as Windows registry keys. In our environment we used these tools to  
977 ensure new executables were not installed, thus reducing the attack surface of critical systems.

978 In conjunction with HIPS, critical servers in the reference architecture are protected with a file integrity  
979 monitoring (FIM) system. This system monitors file system changes, looking for suspicious changes. The  
980 FIM system is also used to do policy compliance evaluation to ensure compliance of the critical servers  
981 with the HDO policies.

#### 982 *4.1.7.2 Malware Detection*

983 An endpoint-based malware detection system commonly referred to as antivirus software is used to  
984 prevent, detect, and remove malicious software from systems. This function is critical to protecting the  
985 systems that healthcare professionals use to interact with the PACS, such as the imaging workstations.  
986 The antivirus software implemented in our reference architecture builds upon the traditional role that  
987 antivirus software performs by analyzing software for suspicious behavior, performing firewall functions,  
988 and allowing custom policy-based enforcement. These added functions enhance the ability for HDOs to  
989 respond to the threat of malicious software on healthcare systems. Our project deployed the Symantec  
990 Endpoint Protection solution on workstations hosting our DICOM image viewers.

991 A network-based malware detection system, commonly referred to as an intrusion detection system  
992 (IDS), is designed to detect malicious activity over the network. In our reference architecture, the IDS is  
993 designed to interface directly with the manager of the endpoint-based malware detection system. This  
994 gives the IDS the ability to use data collected from the endpoint to better detect malicious activity on  
995 the network [31].

#### 996 *4.1.8 Data Security*

997 This project considered challenges associated with data loss and data alteration. A noted challenge in  
998 looking at the medical imaging ecosystem is the diversity of data types that may be prone to varying  
999 threat types, with compromise resulting in different adverse outcomes. This project examined data  
1000 flows between the implemented components and identified a need to secure data in-transit and data at-  
1001 rest.

##### 1002 *4.1.8.1 Data Encryption (at-rest and in-transit)*

1003 No specific storage solution was implemented for this project, however, the need for data-at-rest  
1004 protection was identified. This practice guide recommends referring to NIST SP 1800-11, *Data Integrity:  
1005 Recovering from Ransomware and Other Destructive Events* [32], for measures that address backup and

1006 recovery. The PACS and VNA solutions used in this project were implemented on Windows servers, and  
1007 this practice guide recommends implementing secure server message block (SMB) best practices, e.g., as  
1008 provided by Department of Homeland Security Cyber Infrastructure Security Agency (CISA) [33].

1009 Examining the communications traffic flow, the project team determined that relevant data are sensitive  
1010 in nature. Medical images and accompanying clinical notes and diagnoses are PHI and have  
1011 requirements that align with confidentiality, integrity, and availability.

1012 Modalities communicating to the PACS and VNA are authenticated using HIP, which also provides for  
1013 network encryption. HIP employs AES-256 encryption [28], [29], [30] to secure network sessions. By  
1014 deploying HIP, this project sought to defend against network-borne attacks, including man in the middle  
1015 attacks where data may be altered in transit.

1016 When multiple PACS data are aggregated into the VNA, the project enabled TLS tunneling. TLS uses  
1017 DigiCert TLS certificates to implement AES-256 network encryption [29], [30], [34]

1018 Image viewers, as well as mobile devices using Hyland's PACSgear scanning tool, use https/TLS when  
1019 connecting and communicating to the VNA or PACS respectively [34].

#### 1020 4.1.9 Remote Access

1021 Both healthcare and IT systems require access by vendor support technicians for remote configuration,  
1022 maintenance, patching, and updates to software and firmware. In our environment, a remote access  
1023 network segment was designed to provide these external privileged users with privileged access to  
1024 these components that reside within our reference architecture. A virtual private network (VPN)  
1025 solution provides a secure way in which an organization can extend its private network across the  
1026 internet, ensuring that only properly authenticated users can access their organization's private  
1027 network. The NCCoE VPN in our environment was configured and managed using vendor-recommended  
1028 practices [35]. This project implemented TDi ConsoleWorks as a remote access mechanism into the  
1029 infrastructure.

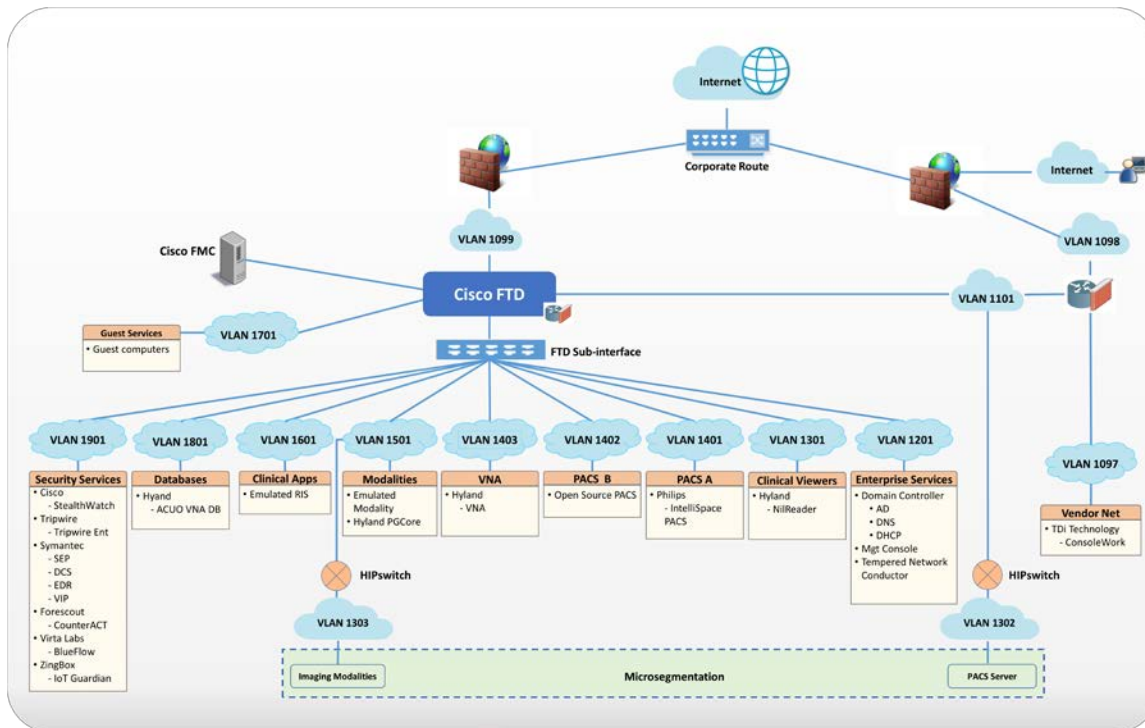
1030 To further secure access to remote resources, the team implemented a privileged access management  
1031 (PAM) solution [24]. The PAM solution provides two-factor authentication (2FA), fine grained access  
1032 control, and monitoring of user access to remote resources. 2FA is provided via domain-based username  
1033 and password and an app-based security token available on the user's mobile device. 2FA was  
1034 implemented in the test build using Symantec Validation and ID Protection (VIP) solution. Symantec VIP  
1035 was integrated into the ConsoleWorks authentication mechanism, allowing the project to enforce  
1036 username password plus onetime passcode to make up the two factors.

#### 1037 4.2 Final Architecture

1038 The target architecture, depicted in Figure 4-7, demonstrates control measures such as  
1039 microsegmentation and network segmentation as described by this practice guide. The architecture

1040 depicts network zones using VLANs, with the modalities zone implemented using microsegmentation.  
 1041 The target architecture also includes using cloud storage for long term archiving and serves to enhance  
 1042 resiliency and recoverability should the HDO be subject to an adverse event.

1043 **Figure 4-7 PACS Final Architecture**



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## 5 Security Characteristic Analysis

1046 The purpose of the security characteristic analysis is to understand the extent to which the project  
 1047 meets its objective of demonstrating the security capabilities described in the reference architecture in  
 1048 [Section 4](#). This evaluation focuses on the security of the reference design itself. In addition, it seeks to  
 1049 understand the security benefits and drawbacks of the example solution.

### 5.1 Assumptions and Limitations

1051 The security characteristic analysis has the following limitations:

- 1052  It is neither a comprehensive test of all security components nor a red-team exercise.
- 1053  It cannot identify all weaknesses.

- 1054       ▪ It does not include the lab infrastructure. It is assumed that devices are hardened. Testing these  
1055       devices would reveal only weaknesses in implementation that would not be relevant to those  
1056       adopting this reference architecture.

## 1057   **5.2 Scenarios and Findings**

1058   One aspect of our security evaluation involved assessing how well the reference design addresses the  
1059   security characteristics it was intended to support. The Cybersecurity Framework Subcategories were  
1060   used to provide structure to the security assessment by consulting the specific sections of each standard  
1061   cited in reference to a Subcategory. The cited sections provide validation points that the example  
1062   solution would be expected to exhibit. Using the Cybersecurity Framework Subcategories as a basis for  
1063   organizing our analysis allowed us to systematically consider how well the reference design supports the  
1064   intended security characteristics.

## 1065   **5.3 Analysis of the Reference Design’s Support for Cybersecurity 1066    Framework Subcategories**

1067   Using the NIST Cybersecurity Framework Subcategories to organize our analysis also provided additional  
1068   confidence that the reference design addresses our use case security objectives. The remainder of this  
1069   subsection discusses how the reference design supports each of the identified Cybersecurity Framework  
1070   Subcategories [8].

1071   Table 3-5 lists the reference design functions and the security characteristics, along with products that  
1072   we used to instantiate each capability. The focus of the security evaluation is not on these specific  
1073   products but on the Cybersecurity Framework Subcategories. There may be other commercially  
1074   available products that meet the objectives found in the NIST Cybersecurity Framework. These other  
1075   products could be substituted to provided comparable security control within the reference design.

### 1076   **5.3.1 Asset Management (ID.AM)**

1077   For our project, we considered ID.AM-1, ID.AM-2, ID.AM-4, and ID.AM-5 to address asset management.

1078   The project implemented ID.AM-1 using Virta Labs BlueFlow to address modality asset management.  
1079   Establishing an asset inventory is a fundamental component in determining appropriate controls for the  
1080   environment. The ID.AM-1 Subcategory specifies, “[p]hysical devices and systems within the  
1081   organization are inventoried,” and ID.AM-2 specifies, “[s]oftware platforms and applications within the  
1082   organization are inventoried.” For purposes of this document, the ID.AM-1 and ID.AM-2 Subcategories  
1083   are grouped together, and these Subcategories identify tools to achieve these objectives. Physical  
1084   devices include workstation, server, and storage components, whereas software assets include those  
1085   applications that run on the physical components.

1086 The project emulates HDOs in that HDOs often have separate biomedical engineering teams, distinct  
1087 from central IT operations. The implication is that IT general assets and medical devices may have  
1088 distinct asset tracking mechanisms. BlueFlow captures inventory, configuration, and patch management  
1089 information.

1090 ID.AM-4 specifies, “[e]xternal information systems are catalogued.” Cloud services would be tracked by  
1091 the Clearwater Information Risk Management Analysis tool as part of the IT asset inventory.

1092 Medical device asset tracking may be distinct from what is maintained in a general IT asset database. For  
1093 this project, the team maintained simulated medical imaging devices and implemented the Virta Labs  
1094 BlueFlow tool for asset tracking and configuration management.

1095 ID.AM-5 specifies, “[r]esources (e.g., hardware, devices, data, time, personnel, and software) are  
1096 prioritized based on their classification, criticality, and business value.” To address ID.AM-5, this project  
1097 implemented solutions to identify communication and data flows between IT and biomedical  
1098 engineering assets. The project implemented the Zingbox IoT Guardian and Cisco Stealthwatch solution  
1099 to analyze NetFlow traffic across the laboratory infrastructure. In capturing NetFlow patterns, the  
1100 project provided two primary benefits: 1) a baseline of communication flows between medical imaging  
1101 devices, workstations, and PACS/VNA systems, and 2) an ability to determine when communication  
1102 patterns were anomalous. This latter point is described later in this document.

### 1103 5.3.2 Risk Assessment (ID.RA)

1104 This project selected ID.RA-1 and ID.RA-5 to address the Function known as Risk Assessment. ID.RA-1  
1105 specifies, “[a]sset vulnerabilities are identified and documented,” and ID.RA-5 specifies “[t]hreats,  
1106 vulnerabilities, likelihoods, and impacts are used to determine risk.” The project identified and deployed  
1107 tools to address these control requirements.

1108 This project used Symantec’s Endpoint Protection solution to address threats to image viewer  
1109 workstations. The project used Tripwire Enterprise for server assets. Virta Labs BlueFlow was applied for  
1110 medical imaging devices. The project also used Zingbox IoT Guardian to perform NetFlow analysis.  
1111 Information from these tools can be used when needed to determine risk profile of the HDO  
1112 environment.

### 1113 5.3.3 Identity Management and Access Control (PR.AC)

1114 To implement identity management and access control, the project team focused on PR.AC-1, PR.AC-4,  
1115 and PR.AC-7 Subcategories. PR.AC-1 specifies, “[i]dentities and credentials are issued, managed, verified,  
1116 revoked, and audited for authorized devices, users and processes.” PR.AC-4 specifies, “[a]ccess  
1117 permissions and authorizations are managed, incorporating the principles of least privilege and  
1118 separation of duties.” PR-AC7 specifies, “[u]sers, devices, and other assets are authenticated  
1119 commensurate with the risk of the transaction.”

### 1120 *5.3.3.1 Identity Management*

1121 Human user access to workstations and systems was provisioned by creating accounts in Microsoft  
 1122 Active Directory. This project implemented the Symantec VIP. The Symantec VIP tool gave the project  
 1123 multifactor authentication capability. Table 5-1 describes how different user types are managed and  
 1124 describes some general characteristics of that user type.

1125 **Table 5-1 Identity Management Characteristics**

User Type	Identity	Tool	Characteristics
Human Users	Active Directory	Active Directory	Human user authentication method dependent on interaction type
Medical Imaging Devices	Host Identifier	Tempered Networks IDN	Imaging devices abstracted from the production network over a cloaked network implementing HIP.
System to System	Certificate	DigiCert Managed PKI	Automated interactions between systems authenticated

1126 Medical imaging devices are emulated in this project. They authenticate using HIP, implemented in  
 1127 Tempered Networks' microsegmentation capability. The Tempered Networks solution, IDN, uses the  
 1128 HIP, which incorporates a key exchange capability between endpoint devices and gateways, or  
 1129 HIPswitches.

1130 The project included a document scan utility installed on a mobile device. To enable device  
 1131 authentication in this case, the project used DigiCert Managed PKI, providing certificate-based  
 1132 authentication.

1133 The project augmented device authorization management by limiting PACS accessibility based on  
 1134 workstation zone provisioning. Multifactor authentication was implemented for certain devices through  
 1135 Symantec VIP. Network sessions were secured by TLS using DigiCert issued certificates [34].

### 1136 *5.3.3.2 Access Control*

1137 To implement PR.AC-4, this project used role-based access control (RBAC) features built into the PACS  
 1138 and VNA systems. Philips IntelliSpace and Hyland Acuo VNA implement RBAC, allowing least privilege  
 1139 access enforcement.

1140 This project also took advantage of the network zoning concept and limited access based on firewall  
 1141 policies that restrict traffic between different zones. Image viewer workstation network traffic to the  
 1142 PACS and VNA for image retrieval and interaction are limited to specified network zones.

1143 Administrative functions are restricted and are performed through TDi ConsoleWorks sessions that  
1144 enforce multifactor authentication.

1145 The project implemented PR.AC-3 using TDi Technologies ConsoleWorks to provide remote access to the  
1146 lab network. The ConsoleWorks environment provided a solution for vendor remote access as well as  
1147 general user remote VPN, including access by third-party medical imaging services that may need access  
1148 to patient images [35].

1149 To implement PR.AC-5, the project made significant use of network segmentation through VLANs  
1150 implemented with Cisco Firepower NGFW and through microsegmentation implemented using  
1151 Tempered Networks IDN. IDN implements an SDN that this project uses to secure communications  
1152 between the simulated medical imaging devices and the PACS/VNA environment.

### 1153 5.3.4 Data Security (PR.DS)

1154 For this project, the team identified PR.DS-1, “[d]ata-at-rest is protected;” PR.DS-2, “[d]ata-in-transit is  
1155 protected;” PR.DS-6, “[i]ntegrity checking mechanisms are used to verify software, firmware, and  
1156 information integrity” Subcategories to address data security.

1157 No specific solution was used for storage. This practice guide recommends HDOs to evaluate NIST SP  
1158 1800-11, *Data Integrity: Recovering from Ransomware and Other Destructive Events* [32], for general  
1159 guidance for at-rest protection. Further, the PACS and VNA solutions were implemented on a Windows  
1160 server environment, and therefore it is recommended to review and implement *SMB Security Best  
1161 Practices* [33], as noted by CISA.

1162 Workstations in this project are protected using Symantec Encryption Platform.

1163 Data in-transit protection is implemented using TLS and HIP. Image viewing workstations connecting to  
1164 the PACS/VNA environments use TLS encryption to ensure data-in-transit protection [28], [29], [34]. This  
1165 project also implements microsegmentation with Tempered Networks and ensures data-in-transit  
1166 protection by HIP-managed encryption between emulated medical imaging devices and the PACS/VNA  
1167 environment.

1168 The project uses Tripwire Enterprise and Symantec DCS:SA to provide integrity monitoring of system  
1169 software files. Integrity of system and application software is monitored.

1170 PR.DS-6 includes a control objective to additionally manage firmware; however, the lab used emulated  
1171 medical imaging devices for its modalities, operating as virtual machines. These emulated devices did  
1172 not include a firmware component.

### 1173 5.3.5 Information Protection and Procedures (PR.IP)

1174 This project selected PR.IP-1, PR.IP-3, and PR.IP-4 to implement the Information Protection and  
1175 Procedures Category. PR.IP-1 specifies, “[a] baseline configuration of information technology/industrial



1176 control systems is created and maintained incorporating security principles (e.g. concept of least  
1177 functionality).” PR.IP-3 specifies, “[c]onfiguration change control processes are in place;” and PR.IP-4  
1178 specifies, “[b]ackups of information are conducted, maintained, and tested.”

1179 Servers supporting the PACS and VNA systems were built using guidance received from Philips and  
1180 Hyland respectively. These configurations were regarded as baseline configurations and determined to  
1181 be based on application functionality requirements. Tripwire Enterprise monitors modifications.

1182 Virta Labs BlueFlow is used to manage medical imaging device configurations. The medical imaging  
1183 devices deployed in the lab were emulated and do not involve firmware.

### 1184 5.3.6 Protective Technology (PR.PT)

1185 To implement Protective Technology, this project selected PR.PT-1, PR.PT-3, and PR.PT-4. PR.PT-1  
1186 specifies, “[a]udit/log records are determined, documented, implemented, and reviewed in accordance  
1187 with policy.” PR.PT-3 specifies, “[t]he principle of least functionality is incorporated by configuring  
1188 systems to provide only essential capabilities;” and PR.PT-4 specifies, “[c]ommunications and control  
1189 networks are protected.”

1190 To address PR.PT-1, the Hyland Acuo VNA, Hyland NilRead Enterprise, Hyland PACSgear, Phillips  
1191 Enterprise Imaging IntelliSpace PACS, and Phillips Enterprise Imaging Universal Data Manager  
1192 components provided the capability to create audit log records.

1193 Another method this project implemented to ensure traffic was regularly reviewed was implementing  
1194 the Zingbox IoT Guardian solution. The tool aggregated NetFlow traffic across the lab environment and  
1195 performed behavioral analytics. HDOs should also consider using a security incident event management  
1196 (SIEM) system that would aggregate logs from different operating systems, applications, and component  
1197 types. SIEM tools often can support scripts that may trigger alerting to incident response teams.

1198 To address PR.PT-3, this project implemented operating systems that were configured with the  
1199 minimum functionality necessary to support PACS and VNA operations, based on guidance from Hyland  
1200 and Philips respectively. Configuration recommendations from our vendor partners were treated as  
1201 baseline settings. The project then used Tripwire Enterprise to monitor this baseline.

1202 This project implements PR.PT-4 through constructing network zones with VLANs and use of the  
1203 Tempered Networks microsegmentation solution. VLANs were used to establish a base set of network  
1204 zones, and the Tempered Networks IDN created a means to control network traffic between the  
1205 simulated medical imaging devices and the PACS/VNA leveraging the HIP, which protects data on  
1206 networks via data encryption.

1207 The project used the Cisco Firepower NGFW to protect the infrastructure from malicious activity.

1208 External connections were protected using TLS and internet protocol security (IPsec) tunneling where  
1209 appropriate [34], [35].

### 1210 5.3.7 Anomalies and Events (DE.AE ) and Security Continuous Monitoring (DE.CM)

1211 This project grouped together the Functions DE.AE Anomalies and Events and DE.CM Security  
1212 Continuous Monitoring. The project then selected DE.AE-1, DE.AE-2, DE.AE-3, DE.AE-5, DE.CM-1, DE.CM-  
1213 3, and DE.CM-7 to address these control areas.

1214 Selected controls for DE.AE Anomalies and Events include DE.AE-1: “[a] baseline of network operations  
1215 and expected data flows for users and systems is established and managed”; DE.AE-2: “[d]etected  
1216 events are analyzed to understand attack targets and methods”; DE.AE-3: “[e]vent data are collected  
1217 and correlated from multiple sources and sensors”; and DE.AE-5: “[i]ncident alert thresholds are  
1218 established.” This project implemented Zingbox IoT Guardian and Cisco Stealthwatch to achieve these  
1219 objectives through implementing behavioral analytics. Zingbox was configured for continuous  
1220 monitoring by directing NetFlow traffic to its cloud-hosted backend where it performed analysis.  
1221 Stealthwatch was configured for monitoring and analysis on premises.

1222 DE.CM-1 specifies, “[t]he network is monitored to detect potential cybersecurity events”; DE.CM-3:  
1223 “[p]ersonnel activity is monitored to detect potential cybersecurity events”; and DE.CM-7: “[m]onitoring  
1224 for unauthorized personnel, connections, devices, and software is performed.” The project addresses  
1225 DE.CM-1 through the Zingbox and Stealthwatch implementations. The solutions perform network  
1226 monitoring and cybersecurity event detection by analyzing NetFlow traffic. Additional network  
1227 monitoring is performed through the Cisco Firepower Next Generation Firewall deployment.

1228 DE.CM-4 specifies, “[m]alicious code is detected”; and DE.CM-7 specifies, “[m]onitoring for  
1229 unauthorized personnel, connection, devices, and software is performed.” This project implemented  
1230 Symantec Endpoint Protection to address DE.CM-4 and DE.CM-7. The Cisco Firepower Next Generation  
1231 Firewall was used to implement intrusion prevention. Symantec Endpoint Protection was deployed on  
1232 workstations, including image viewer workstations.

## 1233 5.4 Security Analysis Summary

1234 Our reference design’s implementation of security surrounding the PACS/VNA ecosystem helps reduce  
1235 risk from the PACS/VNA system, even if a vulnerability is identified in a PACS or VNA system, by creating  
1236 a more secure environment for the medical devices. The key feature is the multi-layered security  
1237 capabilities defined in [Section 4.1.3](#). Supporting those security capabilities, our project build follows  
1238 vendor recommended practices to harden devices and systems; monitor traffic; limit access to only  
1239 authorized users, devices, and systems; and ensure the data security across the ecosystem. Any  
1240 organization following this guide must conduct its own analysis of how to employ the elements  
1241 discussed here, in their own environment. It is essential that organizations follow security best practices  
1242 to address potential vulnerabilities and to minimize any risk to the operational network.

## 1243 6 Functional Evaluation

1244 We conducted a functional evaluation of our example implementation to verify that several common  
1245 provisioning functions used in our laboratory test worked as expected. We also needed to ensure the  
1246 example solution would not alter normal PACS and VNA functions.

1247 In developing a test plan, this project identified implemented cybersecurity controls and identified a  
1248 method to demonstrate control functionality. Also, this project identified five IHE use case scenarios  
1249 where multiple cybersecurity controls were implemented to augment business process functionality.  
1250 The identified scenarios found in [Section 3.4.3](#) served as the basis of a functional test plan to  
1251 demonstrate overall security control efficacy.

1252 [Section 6.1](#) describes the format and components of the functional test cases. Each functional test case  
1253 is designed to assess the security capabilities of the example implementation, to perform the functions  
1254 listed in [Section 4.1.3](#).

### 1255 6.1 PACS Functional Test Plan

1256 Each test case consists of multiple fields that collectively identify the goal of the test, the specifics  
1257 required to implement the test, and how to assess the results of the test. Table 6-1 describes each field  
1258 in the test case.

1259 **Table 6-1 Test Case Fields**

Test Case Field	Description
Parent Requirement	Identifies the top-level requirement or the series of top-level requirements leading to the testable requirement
Testable Requirement	Drives the definition of the remainder of the test case fields and specifies the capability to be evaluated
Associated Cybersecurity Framework Subcategories	Lists the NIST Cybersecurity Framework Subcategories addressed by the test case
Description	Describes the objective of the test case
Associated Test Cases	In some instances, a test case may be based on the outcome of another test case(s). For example, analysis-based test cases produce a result that is verifiable through various means (e.g., log entries, reports, and alerts).
Preconditions	The starting state of the test case. Preconditions indicate various starting state items, such as a specific capability configuration required or specific protocol and content.
Procedure	The step-by-step actions required to implement the test case. A procedure may consist of a single sequence of steps or multiple

Test Case Field	Description
	sequences of steps (with delineation) to indicate variations in the test procedure.
Expected Results	The expected results for each variation in the test procedure
Actual Results	The observed results

### 1260 6.1.1 PACS Functional Evaluation Requirements

1261 Table 6-2 identifies the PACS functional evaluation requirements addressed in the test plan and  
 1262 associated test cases. The evaluations are aligned with the basic architecture design and capability  
 1263 requirements from [Section 4](#), Architecture.

1264 **Table 6-2 Functional Evaluation Requirements**

Capability Requirement (CR) ID	Parent Requirement	Subrequirement	Test Case
CR-1	Business workflows that support image acquisition and transfer to archival (e.g., PACS and VNA) are performed.	Simple Radiology Practice Workflows	PACS-1
CR-2	Asset and Inventory Management		PACS-2
CR-3	Enterprise Domain and Identity Management–Access Control		
CR-3.a		Privileged Access Management	PACS-3 PACS-10
CR-3.b		User Authentication	PACS-3 PACS-4 PACS-5 PACS-10
CR-3.c		Device and System Authentication	PACS-3 PACS-4 PACS-5
CR-3.d		Data Access Control	PACS-3 PACS-5
CR-4	Network Control and Security		

Capability Requirement (CR) ID	Parent Requirement	Subrequirement	Test Case
CR-4.a		Network Segmentation and VLANs	PACS-7
CR-4.b		Firewall and Control Policies	PACS-7
CR-4.c		Microsegmentation	PACS-4
CR-4.d		Anomalies and Events Detection (Behavioral Analytics)	PACS-8
CR-4.e		Intrusion Detection and Prevention	PACS-9
CR-5	Endpoint Protection and Security		
CR-5.a		Device Hardening and Configuration	PACS-9
CR-5.b		Malware Detection and Prevention	PACS-9
CR-6	Data Security		
CR-6.a		In-Transit Encryption	PACS-4 PACS-5
CR-7	Remote Access	Remote Access	PACS-10

1265 **6.1.2 Test Case: PACS-1**

<b>Parent Requirement</b>	(CR-1) Business workflows that support image acquisition and transfer to archival (e.g., PACS and VNA) are performed.
<b>Testable Requirement</b>	(CR-1) Simple Radiology Practice Workflows
<b>Description</b>	Demonstrate that the installed PACS system can be used to acquire images from a simulated modality, store those images based on department, and view those images by using a DICOM viewer.
<b>Associated Test Case</b>	N/A
<b>Associated Cybersecurity Framework Subcategories</b>	N/A

Preconditions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Implement PACS architecture and test that network connections are operational.</li> <li>▪ Configure DICOM communication between DVTK RIS Emulator and DVTK Modality Emulator.</li> <li>▪ Load patient studies into the RIS.</li> <li>▪ Configure DICOM communication between DVTK Modality Emulator and PACS.</li> <li>▪ Configure the DICOM viewer to connect to the PACS archiving system.</li> <li>▪ Provision and give proper permissions to user accounts.</li> </ul>
Procedure	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Start the DVTK RIS simulator.</li> <li>2. Start the Modality Emulator.</li> <li>3. Click the <b>Request Worklist</b> button on the Modality to display the RIS' preinstalled patient studies.</li> <li>4. Select one of the Patient Names from the given list.</li> <li>5. Click the enabled <b>Store Image</b> button to send the images for the selected patient to the connected PACS server.</li> <li>6. To verify the archived images stored in the Philips PACS server, run Explorer as a Manager.</li> <li>7. Log in to the client web by using the URL <i>https://192.168.140.131/clientweb</i>. (Alternatively, use a thin client "Philips IntelliSpace PACS Enterprise" to verify the archived images.)</li> <li>8. From the Folder <b>List &gt; Exam Lookup</b> press <b>Search</b> button to list the patient studies. The image for the patient selected in this test should be listed in the exam lookup view table.</li> </ol>
Expected Results	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ The user should be able to display the image by using the Philips Client Web or the Philips PACS Enterprise client.</li> </ul> <p>Note: If you need to repeat the same procedure using the same samples, clear the stored image from the Philips PACS. The cleared image stored in the <b>Default</b> folder will be moved to the <b>Exceptions Lookup</b> folder. Clear the image from the <b>Exceptions Lookup</b> folder as well.</p>
Actual Results	<p>The implemented PACS environment successfully scheduled images by using the RIS, sent and stored the images in the PACS using the Modality, and viewed the stored images using a web client.</p>

## 1266 6.1.3 Test Case: PACS-2

Parent Requirement	<b>(CR-2) Asset and Inventory Management</b>
Testable Requirement	(CR-2) Asset and Inventory Management
Description	Demonstrate how to identify and manage medical assets
Associated Test Case	N/A
Associated Cybersecurity Framework Subcategories	ID.AM-1, ID.AM-2, ID.AM-4, ID.AM-5, ID.RA-1, ID.RA-5, PR.IP-1
Preconditions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ PACS network infrastructure is operational.</li> <li>▪ Virta Labs BlueFlow is deployed in the <b>Security Services</b> VLAN.</li> <li>▪ Network groups are created in the BlueFlow interface to allow automatic organization of discovered devices.</li> </ul>
Procedure	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Open a web browser and navigate to the <b>Virta Labs BlueFlow</b> web portal URL and authenticate to the portal.</li> <li>2. Navigate to <b>Connectors &gt; Discovery</b>.</li> <li>3. Enter a <b>subnet range</b> (192.168.0.0/16) from which <b>BlueFlow</b> will discover devices.</li> <li>4. Click <b>Run</b> and allow the discovery process to populate a network group.</li> <li>5. Navigate to <b>Inventory</b>. Under <b>Networks</b>, click on a network object and display a list of discovered devices.</li> <li>6. Click on a device name and navigate to the <b>Tools</b> tab and click on <b>Fingerprint</b>.</li> <li>7. Verify the populated information and click <b>Run</b> to perform a scan.</li> <li>8. Once the scan is complete, navigate back to the device's information page and verify that the <b>fingerprint</b> tool has accurately identified information about the device such as Operating System and <b>Open TCP Ports</b>.</li> <li>9. Manually fill in other information about the device if needed.</li> </ol>
Expected Results	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Devices are discovered within the specified subnets and appear as devices in the network group.</li> <li>▪ The fingerprint tool identifies device Operating System and open TCP ports.</li> <li>▪ Device information can be modified manually.</li> </ul>

Actual Results	20+ new devices were discovered within the PACS VLANs. These new devices were automatically placed into predefined network segments, and devices that did not fit into a predefined network segment were placed into an Other Assets category. The fingerprint tool populated descriptive information for several discovered devices while all other necessary information was filled in manually.
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## 1267 6.1.4 Test Case: PACS-3

Parent Requirement	<b>(CR-3) Enterprise Domain and Identity Management–Access Control</b>
Testable Requirement	(CR-3.a) Privileged Access Management, (CR-3.b) User Authentication, (CR-3.c) Device and System Authentication, (CR-3.d) Data Access Control
Description	Demonstrate the capability authentication to PACS application by using enterprise Active Directory
Associated Test Case	N/A
Associated Cybersecurity Framework Subcategories	PR.AC-1, PR.AC-4, PR.AC-7
Preconditions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Domain controller has been deployed and configured in the <b>Enterprise Services</b> VLAN.</li> <li>▪ Philips PACS has been configured to incorporate the enterprise AD with a display name of <b>AD PACS</b>.</li> <li>▪ Domain groups have been created and assigned proper policies and roles.</li> <li>▪ A test user with username pacs-user has been set up in the test <b>AD PACS</b>.</li> </ul>
Procedure	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Launch the IntelliSpace PACS application on the IntelliSpace PACS Enterprise server.</li> <li>2. To set the authentication source, select <b>AD PACS</b> from the <b>Log on to</b> dropdown list.</li> <li>3. Enter the username and password, and then click on the login button to login.</li> </ol>
Expected Results	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Authentication via <b>AD PACS</b> is successful.</li> <li>▪ Access to patient data is based on group policy settings.</li> </ul>
Actual Results	A user, <i>pacs-user</i> , who is in the Active Directory, was used to test the access setup. After entering the username and the correct password to the Philips IntelliSpace PACS Enterprise login page by using the AD PACS as the authentication source, the login was



	<p>successful. The <i>pacs-user</i> account was validated to assure that appropriate access control settings were applied.</p> <p><i>Pacs-user</i> authentication was further tested, first by entering an incorrect password and next by incorrectly spelling the username. These attempts failed.</p>
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1268 **6.1.5 Test Case: PACS-4**

<b>Parent Requirement</b>	(CR-4) Network Control and Security (CR-6) Data Security
<b>Testable Requirement</b>	(CR-4.c) Microsegmentation, (CR-6.a) In-Transit Encryption
<b>Description</b>	Demonstrate secure transfer of medical images from modalities to archive systems by using microsegmentation.
<b>Associated Test Case</b>	PACS-3
<b>Associated Cybersecurity Framework Subcategories</b>	PR.DS-2, PR.PT-1, PR.PT-3, PR.PT-4
<b>Preconditions</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Deploy and configure microsegmentation into the network infrastructure.</li> <li>▪ Install, configure, and deploy modalities.</li> <li>▪ Configure network connections between RIS and modalities to establish a DICOM connection.</li> <li>▪ Configure network connections between modalities and PACS to establish a DICOM connection.</li> <li>▪ Populate RIS with simulated patient studies.</li> <li>▪ Install and configure a network traffic analyzer.</li> </ul>
<b>Procedure</b>	<p><u>To schedule Radiology patient studies with the DVTK Modality Emulator</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Launch the RIS Emulator desktop application and click the <b>Start button</b> to open a DICOM connection with the Modality Emulator</li> <li>2. Using the Modality Emulator, click the <b>Request Worklist</b> button to display a list of requested patient studies being sent from the RIS.</li> <li>3. Select a requested patient study from the list to send to Philips PACS server.</li> </ol>

	<p><u>To store patient studies on the Philips PACS server by using DVTK Modality Emulator</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Click the <b>Store Images</b> button to send the selected patient study to Philips PACS.</li> </ol> <p><u>To verify that data are encrypted between the modality and PACS</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Start a packet capture with Cisco Firepower between the HIPswitches associated with the modality and PACS respectively. A new window will appear with attribute text boxes. For the <b>Source Host</b>, provide the IP address of the modality’s HIPswitch. For the <b>Destination Host</b>, provide the IP address of the PACS HIPswitch.</li> <li>2. Export the produced packet captures to a packet capture (PCAP) file.</li> <li>3. Import the PCAP file into Wireshark, and try to read the data captured.</li> </ol>
<p><b>Expected Results</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ RIS establishes a DICOM connection with the modality to schedule patient studies.</li> <li>▪ DICOM communications channel established between modalities and PACS.</li> <li>▪ Modality Emulator can send patient studies to PACS.</li> <li>▪ In-transit data are encrypted.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Actual Results</b></p>	<p>The RIS, Modality, and PACS succeeded in establishing DICOM connections after microsegmentation was implemented. Data being transferred from Modality to PACS was encrypted through the secured connection.</p>

1269 **6.1.6 Test Case: PACS-5**

<p><b>Parent Requirement</b></p>	<p><b>(CR-3) Enterprise Domain and Identity Management–Access Control</b> <b>(CR-6) Data Security</b></p>
<p><b>Testable Requirement</b></p>	<p>(CR-3.b) User Authentication, (CR-3.c) Device and System Authentication, (CR-3.d) Data Access Control, (CR-6.a) In-Transit Encryption</p>
<p><b>Description</b></p>	<p>Show how clinical departments have access to only their department’s medical images, and show that an encrypted connection is used when clinical departments are accessing medical images.</p>

Associated Test Case	PACS-3
Associated Cybersecurity Framework Subcategories	PR.AC-1, PR.AC-4, PR.AC-7, PR.DS-2, PR.PT-1, PR.PT-3, PR.PT-4
Preconditions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Define different clinical departments (e.g., Radiology, Cardiology, and Dermatology).</li> <li>▪ Create role-based access control by assigning user accounts to clinical departments.</li> <li>▪ Configure and enable TLS connections on PACS and VNA.</li> <li>▪ Patient records for multiple departments are stored on the VNA.</li> </ul>
Procedure	<p><u>To transfer patient studies from Philips PACS server to the Radiology user group on the Hyland VNA server</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Log in to the Philips PACS to view stored patient records.</li> <li>2. Select a patient study to send to Hyland VNA to be stored in the Radiology department.</li> <li>3. Export the selected patient study to the Radiology department on the Hyland VNA.</li> </ol> <p><u>To confirm that Hyland VNA user accounts can access only approved departments</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Log in to the Hyland VNA by using credentials with access to the Radiology department's patient records.</li> <li>2. Verify that the patient study sent in the steps above is shown.</li> </ol> <p><u>To evaluate TLS connection from Philips PACS to Hyland VNA</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Start a packet capture on Cisco Firepower on the PACS-A interface. A new window will appear with attribute text boxes. For the <b>Source Host</b>, provide the IP address of the PACS. For the <b>Destination Host</b>, provide the IP address of the VNA.</li> <li>2. Export the produced packet captures to a PCAP file.</li> <li>3. Import the PCAP file into Wireshark, and try to read the data captured.</li> </ol>
Expected Results	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ The PACS transfers patient studies to a specific department group on an archiving system</li> <li>▪ User accounts on the archiving system are restricted to view records to assigned department</li> <li>▪ Data transfers from the PACS to the VNA are encrypted through TLS communication</li> </ul>
Actual Results	PACS was able to securely transfer patient studies by using TLS encryption to the Radiology group on the archiving system. User

	accounts with access to view Radiology patient studies were able to access only studies linked to the Radiology department.
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## 1270 6.1.7 Test Case: PACS-6

Parent Requirement	<b>(CR-3) Enterprise Domain and Identity Management–Access Control</b> <b>(CR-6) Data Security</b>
Testable Requirement	(CR-3.b) User Authentication, (CR-3.c) Device and System Authentication, (CR-6.a) In-Transit Encryption
Description	Show how to securely review archived medical images.
Associated Test Case	PACS-3
Associated Cybersecurity Framework Subcategories	PR.AC-1, PR.AC-4, PR.AC-7, PR.DS-2, PR.PT-1, PR.PT-3, PR.PT-4
Preconditions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Enable https connections on a web server and outside web browser</li> <li>▪ Configure DICOM image web viewer to connect to outside web browser</li> <li>▪ Define different clinical departments (e.g., Radiology, Cardiology, and Dermatology), and create user accounts to correspond to clinicians who may work in those departments</li> <li>▪ Create role-based access-control by assigning user accounts to clinical departments</li> </ul>
Procedure	<p><u>To authenticate as a Radiology user and securely view patient studies for Radiology department on the VNA</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Access Hyland NilRead on a web browser by using https (<i>https://&lt;ip address of NilRead Viewer&gt;</i>).</li> <li>2. Log in to the viewer as a Radiology user.</li> <li>3. Click on the <b>patient study</b> record stored from Test Case 4, and verify that the viewer is using https when displaying patient images.</li> </ol> <p><u>To evaluate encrypted data transfers from Hyland VNA to Hyland NilRead Viewer</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Start a packet capture on Cisco Firepower on the Clinical Viewers interface. A new window will appear with attribute text boxes. For the <b>Source Host</b>, provide the IP address of the web viewer. For the <b>Destination Host</b>, provide the IP address of the</li> </ol>

	<p>client computer accessing the PACS viewer through a web browser.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>2. Export the produced packet captures to a PCAP file.</li> <li>3. Import the PCAP file into Wireshark, and try to read the data captured.</li> </ol>
Expected Results	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ DICOM image web viewer should be accessible and display patient images using https.</li> <li>▪ Data sent from an archiving server to the DICOM image web viewer should be encrypted.</li> </ul>
Actual Results	Web viewer securely connected to the archiving server and transmitted patient images to a client computer over https.

## 1271 6.1.8 Test Case: PACS-7

Parent Requirement	<b>(CR-4) Network Control and Security</b>
Testable Requirement	(CR-4.a) Network Segmentation and VLANs, (CR-4.b) Firewall, and Control Policies
Description	Demonstrate network segmentation and routing between VLANs within the PACS architecture by restricting guest network access
Associated Test Case	N/A
Associated Cybersecurity Framework Subcategories	PR.AC-5, PR.PT-1, PR.PT-3, PR.PT-4
Preconditions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Domain controller is deployed and configured in the <b>Enterprise Services</b> VLAN.</li> <li>▪ Windows computer is deployed to the guest network.</li> <li>▪ Cisco Firepower Threat Defense interfaces are configured.</li> <li>▪ Cisco Firepower access control policy, with a default action of <b>Block All Traffic</b>, is created and applied to the Cisco Firepower Threat Defense Appliance.</li> <li>▪ Cisco Firepower access control policy is configured with the following access control rules: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Allow <b>DHCP</b> traffic from <b>Guest</b> network to <b>Domain Controller</b>.</li> <li>• Allow <b>DNS</b> traffic from <b>Guest</b> network to <b>Domain Controller</b>.</li> <li>• Allow <b>http</b> and <b>https</b> traffic from <b>Guest</b> network to wide area network (<b>WAN</b>) interface.</li> </ul> </li> <li>▪ DHCP relay is configured on the <b>Guest</b> network interface through Firepower Management Center.</li> </ul>

Procedure	<p><u>To test that DHCP services are available for Guest network</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Power on Windows computer on the Guest network and log in.</li> <li>2. Right-click on <b>Windows Start button</b> and select <b>Network Connections</b>.</li> <li>3. Right-click on the <b>network interface</b> connected to the Guest network and select <b>Properties</b>.</li> <li>4. Click on <b>Internet Protocol Version 4 (TCP/IPv4)</b> and click <b>Properties</b> and select <b>Obtain an IP address automatically</b>, then click <b>OK</b>.</li> <li>5. Run the <b>Command Prompt</b> from the <b>Windows Start button</b>.</li> <li>6. At the <b>command line</b> type <code>ipconfig /all</code></li> <li>7. Ensure <b>DHCP Enabled</b> is set to <b>Yes</b>.</li> <li>8. Ensure <b>IPv4 Address, Subnet Mask, Default Gateway, and DHCP Server</b> are populated according to your DHCP settings.</li> </ol> <p><u>To test that DNS services are available for Guest network</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Right-click on <b>Windows Start button</b> and select <b>Network Connections</b>.</li> <li>2. Right-click on the <b>network interface</b> connected to the Guest network and select <b>Properties</b>.</li> <li>3. Click on <b>Internet Protocol Version 4 (TCP/IPv4)</b> and click <b>Properties</b>. Select <b>Obtain DNS server address automatically</b> and click <b>OK</b>.</li> <li>4. Run the <b>Command Prompt</b> from the <b>Windows Start button</b>.</li> <li>5. At the <b>command line</b> type <code>ipconfig /all</code></li> <li>6. Ensure <b>DNS Servers</b> is populated according to your DHCP settings.</li> <li>7. At the <b>command line</b> type <code>nslookup</code></li> <li>8. Verify that the <b>Default Address</b> and <b>Address</b> are populated with the correct <b>DNS server</b>.</li> <li>9. At the prompt, type a URL (<code>nist.gov</code>) and ensure an IP address (<code>129.6.13.49</code>) is returned by the DNS server.</li> </ol> <p><u>To test that traffic from Guest network to internal VLANs is blocked</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Open a web browser from the Windows computer connected to the Guest network.</li> <li>2. Type an IP address (<code>192.168.140.131</code>) that corresponds to a PACS web server from one of the internal PACS VLANs into the</li> </ol>
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	<p>address bar. The web browser should not be able to retrieve the web page.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>3. Right-click on <b>Windows Start button</b> and select <b>Command Prompt</b>. At the <b>command</b> line, attempt to ping the VNA server from one of the internal PACS VLANs by typing <code>ping 192.168.130.120</code></li> <li>4. Ensure command prompt returns <code>Request timed out</code> and no packets are received.</li> </ol> <p><u>To test that only web traffic from Guest network to the WAN is allowed</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Open a web browser from the Windows computer connected to the Guest network.</li> <li>2. Type a <b>URL</b> (<a href="https://www.nist.gov/">https://www.nist.gov/</a>) into the <b>address bar</b>.</li> <li>3. Wait for website to load properly.</li> <li>4. Right-click on <b>Windows Start button</b> and select <b>Command Prompt</b>.</li> <li>5. At the <b>command line</b>, attempt to ping an external web server by typing <code>ping nist.gov</code></li> <li>6. Ensure command prompt returns <code>Request timed out</code> and no packets are received.</li> </ol>
<p><b>Expected Results</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Computers with interfaces connected to Guest network will automatically be provisioned an IPv4 address.</li> <li>▪ Computers with interfaces connected to the Guest network will automatically be provisioned a DNS server address.</li> <li>▪ All traffic, excluding the exceptions for DNS and DHCP, originating from the Guest network and destined for any internal PACS VLAN will be blocked.</li> <li>▪ http and https traffic originating from the Guest network and destined for the WAN interface will be allowed.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Actual Results</b></p>	<p>Upon booting up for the first time, the Windows computer on the Guest network was allocated an IPv4 address within the DHCP scope address pool and provisioned a DNS server address and was successfully able to resolve the IP address of a provided URL. The computer was not able to communicate with other devices in the internal PACS VLANs (192.168.140.131 and 192.168.130.120) using different network protocols (https and internet control message protocol [ICMP]) but was able to communicate with external web servers through a web browser using http and https.</p>

## 1272 6.1.9 Test Case: PACS-8

Parent Requirement	<b>(CR-4) Network Control and Security</b>
Testable Requirement	(CR-4.d) Anomalies and Events Detection (Behavioral Analytics)
Description	Demonstrate capability to detect abnormal network traffic across the PACS architecture.
Associated Test Case	PACS-7
Associated Cybersecurity Framework Subcategories	DE.AE-1, DE.AE-2, DE.AE-3, DE.AE-5, DE.CM-1, DE.CM-3, and DE.CM-7
Preconditions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ PACS architecture is implemented and network connections have been tested and are operational.</li> <li>▪ Zingbox Inspector is deployed and configured in the <b>Security Services VLAN</b>.</li> <li>▪ Virta Labs BlueFlow is deployed and configured in the <b>Security Services VLAN</b>.</li> </ul>
Procedure	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Open a web browser and navigate to the web portal of <b>Virta Labs BlueFlow</b>.</li> <li>2. Enter <b>credentials</b> and log in.</li> <li>3. Navigate to <b>Connectors &gt; Discovery</b>.</li> <li>4. Enter a <b>subnet range</b> (192.168.0.0/16) on which BlueFlow will run an IP scan.</li> <li>5. Click <b>Run</b> and wait for discovery process to finish.</li> <li>6. Open a web browser and navigate to the web portal of <b>Zingbox Cloud</b>.</li> <li>7. Enter <b>credentials</b> and log in.</li> <li>8. Navigate to <b>Alerts &gt; Security Alerts</b>.</li> <li>9. Under <b>Alerts</b>, look for an alert named <b>Suspicious internal IP scans</b> and an <b>alert type</b> of <b>scanner</b>.</li> <li>10. Expand the alert, hover over a subsection, and click on <b>View Details</b>.</li> <li>11. On the <b>Alert Details</b> page, verify that the <b>client IP</b> that the IP scans originated from corresponds to the <b>BlueFlow</b> device.</li> </ol>
Expected Results	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Zingbox correctly identifies BlueFlow's IP scan and creates a security alert for suspicious activity.</li> </ul>
Actual Results	Zingbox identified BlueFlow's IP scan as suspicious activity and created a security alert. Zingbox also created a security alert the second time a BlueFlow IP scan was run but stopped creating alerts



	for subsequent IP scans from the BlueFlow device. While the BlueFlow scan was approved and not malicious, this type of scanning can be performed by malicious devices attempting to discover devices on the network.
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## 1273 6.1.10 Test Case: PACS-9

Parent Requirement	<b>(CR-4) Network Control and Security</b> <b>(CR-5) Endpoint Protection and Security</b>
Testable Requirement	(CR-4.e) Intrusion Detection and Prevention, (CR-5.a) Device Hardening and Configuration, (CR-5.b) Malware Detection and Prevention
Description	Demonstrate capability to detect threats affecting PACS servers and related endpoints. This test also demonstrates an intrusion detection capability.
Associated Test Case	N/A
Associated Cybersecurity Framework Subcategories	DE.CM-1, DE.CM-4, PR.PT-1, PR.PT-3, PR.PT-4
Preconditions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ PACS architecture is implemented and network connections have been tested and are operational.</li> <li>▪ Symantec Endpoint Protection appliance is deployed and configured in the <b>Security Services</b> VLAN.</li> <li>▪ Symantec Endpoint Protection agent is installed on an endpoint.</li> <li>▪ The endpoint agent is connected to the Symantec Endpoint Protection Manager.</li> </ul>
Procedure	<p><u>To verify that the endpoint agent is connected to the SEP management server</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Log in to the SEP management console (<a href="https://192.168.190.172:8443/console/apps/sepm">https://192.168.190.172:8443/console/apps/sepm</a>), click <b>Clients</b>, and select the <b>target group</b> (e.g., PACS).</li> <li>2. Click the <b>Client</b> tab in the PACS group to list the client information in a table.</li> <li>3. The endpoint is listed under the <b>Name</b> column with a <b>Health State</b> of online</li> <li>4. To verify that the endpoint receives the current policy updates</li> <li>5. Navigate to the <b>Client</b> tab in the SEP management console.</li> </ol>

	<p>6. The policy serial number should match the serial number of the endpoint found at <b>Help &gt; Troubleshooting</b> in the endpoint agent.</p> <p><u>To verify that the proper protections are enforced on the endpoint</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Navigate to the <b>Client</b> tab in the SEP management console.</li> <li>2. In the <b>PACS</b> group, change the drop-down list selection to <b>Protection Technology</b> and review the protection categories status (enabled or disabled).</li> </ol> <p><u>To add a System Lockdown policy to prevent unwanted applications from running</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Enable the System Lockdown policy from the parent group of PACS.</li> <li>2. Select the Blacklist Mode, add a test application (e.g., <i>7zFM.exe</i>) to the list, and save the policy.</li> <li>3. From the endpoint, click on the Symantec shield icon and click Update Policy.</li> </ol> <p><u>To verify that the virus and spyware protection policy works</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Use a browser on the endpoint to download an antivirus test file from the EICAR website (<a href="https://www.eicar.org/">https://www.eicar.org/</a>).</li> <li>2. Click the image labeled <b>DOWNLOAD ANTI MALWARE TESTFILE</b>.</li> <li>3. Click the eicar.com link under <b>Download area using the secure, SSL enabled protocol https</b>.</li> <li>4. A Symantec notification will appear, informing you that a risk is found.</li> </ol>
<p><b>Expected Results</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Files added to the Blacklist are not allowed to be run.</li> <li>▪ Linking to the test virus file will lead to a warning, and the threat should be locked.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Actual Results</b></p>	<p>Prior to the lockdown policy enforcement, the <i>7zFM.exe</i> file and 7zFM file manager console were able to run on the endpoint. After the lockdown policy enforcement, the <i>7zFM.exe</i> file was not able to run, and a warning message appeared stating, "Windows cannot access the specified device, path, or file. You may not have the appropriate permissions to access the item."</p> <p>When accessing the malware test file, the following message appeared: "Symantec Endpoint Protection [SID:24461] Diagnostic: EICAR Standard Anti-Virus Test File detected, Symantec Service Framework."</p>

## 1274 6.1.11 Test Case: PACS-10

Parent Requirement	<b>(CR-3) Enterprise Domain and Identity Management–Access Control</b> <b>(CR-7) Remote Access</b>
Testable Requirement	(CR-3.a) Privileged Access Management, (CR-3.b) User Authentication
Description	Demonstrate capability to provide controlled remote access to PACS systems using the two-factor authentication.
Associated Test Case	PACS-3
Associated Cybersecurity Framework Subcategories	PR.AC-3
Preconditions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ TDi Technology ConsoleWorks is installed and configured to use Active Directory for username and password authentication.</li> <li>▪ Proper access control rules, tags, and profiles are defined to allow access to necessary resources.</li> <li>▪ User accounts for remote access are set up and linked to profiles set for each remote user who needs to access the PACS servers.</li> <li>▪ Symantec VIP Enterprise Gateway is installed and integrated with ConsoleWorks by using the RADIUS connection.</li> <li>▪ To supplement standard username/password logins on a variety of servers and services, the VIP Access smartphone application is installed, and a credential ID has been acquired from Symantec for receiving time sensitive tokens.</li> <li>▪ Test user credentials are registered in the VIP manager and associated to the account.</li> </ul>
Procedure	<p><u>To verify that username/password are not sufficient to log in</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Use a web browser to connect to the TDi console (<a href="https://192.168.1.4:5176">https://192.168.1.4:5176</a>) and log in with username/password.</li> <li>2. Verify that the login is unsuccessful.</li> </ol> <p><u>To verify the two-factor authentication using username/password with a VIP token</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Use a browser to connect to the TDi console: (<a href="https://192.168.1.4:5176">https://192.168.1.4:5176</a>).</li> <li>2. Open the VIP Access smartphone application. It should display a security code with a valid time duration.</li> <li>3. Log in to the TDi console with username/password followed by the VIP security token found in the smartphone application.</li> </ol>

	<p><u>To verify that the user can access only the granted resources</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Select the <b>Graphical</b> menu to open a <b>Graphical View</b>.</li> <li>2. Check the list of graphical connections to ensure that only allowed connections are visible.</li> <li>3. Check each of the graphical connections by clicking on <b>Connect</b> and verifying that the console properly connects.</li> </ol>
<p><b>Expected Results</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Logging in to the TDi console with a valid username/password without a 2FA token should fail with the message “Invalid User Credentials.”</li> <li>▪ Logging in to the TDi console with a valid username/password with valid 2FA token should be successful.</li> <li>▪ Authenticated user should have access to list of approved graphical connections and should be able to connect to these servers.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Actual Results</b></p>	<p>Using a pre-created Hyland user as an example, the first attempt to log in to the TDi console with only a username and password failed. The second attempt to log in, this time with a 2FA token, was successful. From the dashboard, the Graphical View menu was opened, and only approved graphical connections were visible to the Hyland user (e.g., Hyland VNA, Hyland Database). The user was able to connect to these remote servers and authenticate with a Hyland service account.</p>

1275 **7 Future Build Considerations**

1276 During this project and development of this practice guide, we did not implement several components;  
 1277 however, these omitted components should be considered. We did not implement an EHR system, and  
 1278 we used simulated medical imaging devices rather than physically deploying them.

1279 Another topic that this practice guide does not implement is the storage tier. An approach to address  
 1280 storage is to examine cloud solutions. Medical images require robust storage media scalability and  
 1281 protection, including data encryption, key management, access control, detection when data are  
 1282 accessed or transported, and recoverability. As HDOs consider using cloud storage providers,  
 1283 organizations need to consider several factors to ensure appropriate information safeguards. Addressing  
 1284 cloud storage for healthcare has data security implications that exceed safeguarding medical images. An  
 1285 update to this practice guide will better address cyber risks associated with cloud storage solutions.

## Appendix A List of Acronyms

<b>2FA</b>	Two-Factor Authentication
<b>AES</b>	Advanced Encryption Standard
<b>ARP</b>	Address Resolution Protocol
<b>AV</b>	Anti-Virus
<b>CDA</b>	Clinical Document Architecture
<b>CIA</b>	Confidentiality, Integrity, and Availability
<b>CIS</b>	Clinical Information System
<b>CISA</b>	Cyber Infrastructure Security Agency
<b>CPOE</b>	Computerized Physician Order Entry
<b>CT</b>	Computed Tomography
<b>DICOM</b>	Digital Imaging and Communications in Medicine
<b>DNS</b>	Domain Name Service
<b>DoS</b>	Denial of Service
<b>EHR</b>	Electronic Health Record
<b>FDA</b>	Food and Drug Administration
<b>FIM</b>	File Integrity Monitoring
<b>FMC</b>	Firepower Management Center
<b>FTD</b>	Firepower Threat Defense
<b>GRC</b>	Governance, Risk, and Compliance
<b>IETF</b>	Internet Engineering Task Force
<b>HDO</b>	Healthcare Delivery Organization
<b>HIP</b>	Host Identity Protocol
<b>HIPPA</b>	Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act
<b>HIPS</b>	Host Intrusion Prevention System

<b>HIS</b>	Health Information System
<b>HL7</b>	Health Level 7
<b>HTM</b>	Healthcare Technology Management
<b>http</b>	Hypertext Transfer Protocol
<b>https</b>	Hyper Text Transfer Protocol Secure
<b>IDN</b>	Identity Defined Networking
<b>IEC</b>	International Electrotechnical Commission
<b>IDS</b>	Intrusion Detection System
<b>IHE</b>	Integrating Health Enterprise
<b>IoT</b>	Internet of Things
<b>IPSec</b>	Internet Protocol Security
<b>IT</b>	Information Technology
<b>MAC</b>	Media Access Control
<b>MRI</b>	Magnetic Resonance Imaging
<b>NCCoE</b>	National Cybersecurity Center of Excellence
<b>NGFW</b>	Next Generation Firewall
<b>NIST</b>	National Institute of Standards and Technology
<b>PACS</b>	Picture Archiving and Communication System
<b>PAM</b>	Privileged Access Management
<b>PCAP</b>	Packet Capture
<b>PET</b>	Positron Emission Tomography
<b>PHI</b>	Protected Health Information
<b>PKI</b>	Public Key Infrastructure
<b>RBAC</b>	Role Based Access Control
<b>RFC</b>	Request for Comments
<b>RIS</b>	Radiology Information System

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<b>RMF</b>	Risk Management Framework
<b>SAN</b>	Storage Area Network
<b>SDN</b>	Software Defined Networking
<b>SHA</b>	Secure Hash Algorithm
<b>SMB</b>	Server Message Block
<b>SP</b>	Special Publication
<b>SSE</b>	Systems Security Engineering
<b>SSL/TLS</b>	Secure Socket Layer/Transport Layer Security
<b>TCP/IP</b>	Transmission Control Protocol/Internet Protocol
<b>URL</b>	Uniform Resource Locator
<b>VIP</b>	Validation and ID Protection
<b>VLAN</b>	Virtual Local Area Network
<b>VNA</b>	Vendor Neutral Archive
<b>VPN</b>	Virtual Private Network

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## Appendix C Pervasive Versus Contextual Controls

This practice guide limits its scope to a defined boundary regarding the scheduling, acquisition, use, and storage of medical imaging and associated information for those images. Conceptually, this is bound in a medical imaging ecosystem and applies contextual controls to that ecosystem. Healthcare delivery organization (HDO) environments, however, feature greater complexity than this practice guide may address. That is, the medical imaging ecosystem resides within an enterprise infrastructure that should implement a pervasive set of controls. The project assumes that an HDO implements pervasive controls that may have material impact on mitigating the HDO's overall cybersecurity risk profile but are not implemented in the lab build. Pervasive controls may be inherited by systems that operate within the HDO infrastructure, but coverage may not be absolute. As such, contextual controls may be implemented to address gaps or to augment pervasive control capabilities. Pervasive controls tend to be organizational in scope, although they may also apply to specific systems and network components within the organization. Pervasive controls may be technical or procedural in nature. The pervasive control concept is borrowed from auditing frameworks that discuss the use of entity controls that have varying degrees of effects that are pervasive or have a widespread effect across an entity or organization [36].

Understanding the pervasive control concept can be done through an analogy. An individual may live in a house or apartment, which exists in a neighborhood. That neighborhood may then be part of a town or a city. The town or city may include a number of services, such as police, fire, and rescue. Utilities, such as water or electricity, may be provided to the community through the town or city or through a third-party rendering service. Pervasive controls are those that, while available to the house or apartment, are not implemented by the occupant. The house or apartment may have locks, alarms, or fire suppressant devices that the occupant installed or has direct control over. Those controls are contextual to the house or apartment. In this analogy, the medical imaging ecosystem is the house that resides in an HDO town or city.

Pervasive control examples within HDOs include governance, risk, and compliance (GRC) systems that address a diverse range of functions needed to operate a cybersecurity strategy, including performance and management of enterprise risk, tracking information technology (IT) assets, incident response processes, IT disaster recovery and business continuity, and data loss prevention (DLP), which would be used to prevent data exfiltration by using tools that are outside the picture archiving and communication system (PACS) and medical imaging ecosystem. This project implemented contextual controls pertinent to the medical imaging ecosystem and assumes implementation of pervasive controls across the enterprise. For purposes of this project, pervasive controls that we feel are material but are

not implemented in the medical imaging ecosystem context pertinent to the immediate control environment of the laboratory’s PACS environment are noted in [Table C-1](#) below.

**Table C-1 Pervasive Security Controls**

Cybersecurity Framework Subcategory	Description	Potential Implementation
ID.AM-1, ID.AM-2	<p>ID.AM-1: Physical devices and systems within the organization are inventoried.</p> <p>ID.AM-2: Software platforms and applications within the organization are inventoried.</p>	<p>GRC suite that includes an asset management module. A potential tool that may address may be Clearwater Compliance IRM Analysis tool.</p> <p>The application of such tools would address IT general assets such as servers, workstations, and other components that may interact with the PACS environment but do not fall within the control environment established for this project.</p> <p>IT general assets may be managed by a centralized IT organization that is not directly involved in supporting or maintaining the PACS environment or medical imaging devices.</p>
ID.RA-4 , ID.RA-6	<p>ID.RA-4: Potential business impacts and likelihoods are identified.</p> <p>ID-RA6: Risk responses are identified and periodized.</p>	<p>These two controls address enterprise risk management. ID.RA-4 may be addressed through implementing business impact assessments or enterprise risk assessments.</p> <p>ID.RA-6 considers the case where enterprise risk has been identified or where the HDO has determined that existing controls need to be enhanced or added. Those determinations are often documented in a Plan of Action and Milestones that describes tasks needing to be addressed,</p>

Cybersecurity Framework Subcategory	Description	Potential Implementation
		<p>resources required, and milestone dates for realization of tasks.</p> <p>Typical control implementation to address ID.RA-4 and ID.RA-6 would include a GRC suite with an enterprise risk management module.</p> <p>The Clearwater Compliance IRM Analysis tool may be relevant as well.</p>
PR.AC-2	PR.AC-2: Physical access to assets is managed and protected.	Server assets may be hosted in a data center with appropriate physical security and environmental controls.
PR.DS-5	PR.DS-5: Protections against data leaks are implemented.	<p>This control addresses the possibility of data exfiltration and may consider options wherein clinical or other sensitive data are migrated outside the HDO perimeter by using email or web services.</p> <p>Typical controls to be deployed at the internet border may include DLP tools. An example tool may be the Symantec DLP solution.</p>
PR.IP-6	PR.IP-6: Data is destroyed according to policy.	<p>This control addresses the need to destroy data as appropriate should that data reach end of life. PACS and VNA control mechanisms would address objects within their purview, but HDOs should look at pervasive mechanisms to address when data may reside on workstations, endpoint devices, or removable media. In addressing appropriate data destruction measures, HDOs should consult National Institute</p>

Cybersecurity Framework Subcategory	Description	Potential Implementation
		of Standards and Technology Special Publication 800-88 rev. 1, <i>Guidelines for Media Sanitation</i> .
PR.IP-9 PR.IP-10	PR.IP-9: Response plans (Incident Response and Business Continuity) and recovery plans (Incident Recovery and Disaster Recovery) are in place and managed. PR.IP-10: Response and recovery plans are tested.	<p>These controls pertain to enterprise response and recovery planning, including disaster recovery, and assurance that the plans are regularly tested.</p> <p>Incident response planning may be addressed in several different ways that include establishing an incident response team, capturing data regarding reported or detected security events, and remediation. Inclusive of establishing incident response procedures, organizations may consider developing “play books” that could consist of established procedures based on determining certain threat types that may require courses of action different from standard incident handling.</p> <p>Recovery plans, which may consist of business continuity plans, and disaster recovery plans should be established. Organizations may consider maintaining these plans, including establishing “play books,” as maintained out of band, e.g., in physical format or in mechanisms that provide assurance that the plans themselves are inaccessible in case of a security event.</p>

Cybersecurity Framework Subcategory	Description	Potential Implementation
		Management of such plans may be maintained in GRC suites that include modules designed to house such plans and establish regular testing schedules.
RS.RP-1	Response plan is executed during or after an event.	Response plans may be managed through a GRC solution. Physical copies of response plans should be maintained to allow for potential system outages.
RC.RP-1	Recovery plan is executed during or after a cybersecurity incident.	Recovery plans may be managed through a GRC solution. Physical copies of recovery plans should be maintained to allow for potential system outages.



## Appendix D Aligning Controls Based on Threats

C/I/A	Threat Event	National Institute of Standards and Technology Cybersecurity Framework Mitigating Control
C	Abuse of credentials or insider threat	<p><u>PROTECT (PR)</u> Access Control User Identification and Authentication</p> <p><u>DETECT (DE)</u> Anomalies and Events Detection Security Continuous Monitoring</p>
C	Credential compromise	<p><u>PROTECT (PR)</u> Access Control User Identification and Authentication</p> <p><u>DETECT (DE)</u> Anomalies and Events Detection Security Continuous Monitoring</p>
C	Data exfiltration	<p><u>PROTECT (PR)</u> Data Security and Privacy Information Protection Processes and Procedures Protective Technology</p> <p><u>DETECT (DE)</u> Anomalies and Events Detection Security Continuous Monitoring</p>
I	Data in-transit disruption	<p><u>PROTECT (PR)</u> Data Security and Privacy Communications and Network Security</p> <p><u>DETECT (DE)</u> Anomalies and Events Detection Security Continuous Monitoring</p>
I	Data alteration	<p><u>PROTECT (PR)</u> Access Control Data Security and Privacy</p>

C/I/A	Threat Event	National Institute of Standards and Technology Cybersecurity Framework Mitigating Control
		<u>DETECT (DE)</u> Anomalies and Events Detection Security Continuous Monitoring
I	Time synchronization	<u>PROTECT (PR)</u> Data Security and Privacy Maintenance Communications and Network Security  <u>DETECT (DE)</u> Anomalies and Events Detection Security Continuous Monitoring
I	Introduction of malicious software	<u>PROTECT (PR)</u> Protective Technology  <u>DETECT (DE)</u> Anomalies and Events Detection Security Continuous Monitoring
I	Unintended use of service	<u>IDENTIFY (ID)</u> ID.AM-2: Software platforms and applications within the organization are inventoried.  <u>PROTECT (PR)</u> PR.PT-3: The principle of least functionality is incorporated by configuring systems to provide only essential capabilities.  <u>DETECT (DE)</u> Security Continuous Monitoring
A	Data storage disruption	<u>IDENTIFY (ID)</u> ID.BE-5: Resilience requirements to support delivery of critical services are established for all operating states (e.g., under duress/attack, during recovery, during normal operations).

C/I/A	Threat Event	National Institute of Standards and Technology Cybersecurity Framework Mitigating Control
		<u>PROTECT (PR)</u> Data Security and Privacy Information Protection Processes and Procedures Communications and Network Security PR.PT-5: Mechanisms (e.g., failsafe, load balancing, hot swap) are implemented to achieve resilience requirements in normal and adverse situations.
A	Network disruption	<u>PROTECT (PR)</u> Data Security and Privacy Communications and Network Security  <u>DETECT (DE)</u> Anomalies and Events Detection Security Continuous Monitoring
A	Backup/recovery disruption	<u>PROTECT (PR)</u> Information Protection Processes and Procedures  <u>RECOVER (RC)</u> Recovery and Restoration
A	Supply chain compromise	<u>IDENTIFY (ID)</u> ID.SC-5: Response and recovery planning and testing are conducted with suppliers and third-party providers.