





## CUSTOMER PROFILE

# Beaumont Hospitals efficiently screen candidates with HealthcareSource®

## Quality care in a challenging environment

Beaumont Hospitals has grown from a single 238-bed hospital - opened in 1955 to serve a small community in Royal Oak, Michigan - into a three-hospital regional medical center with over 20,000 employees representing more than 91 medical and surgical specialties. Beaumont is a high volume healthcare provider - its hospitals rank among the highest in the country in inpatient admissions, community hospital beds, and number of surgeries. Michigan's poor economy and high unemployment rate are affecting Beaumont, as patients are postponing or simply not having diagnostic tests or other elective procedures because of insurance or financial considerations. But these challenges do not get in the way of Beaumont's focus on the quality of care. Beaumont is singled out by diverse and respected organizations and institutions for its strong performance - including U.S. News and World Report "America's Best Hospitals", Magnet status, AHA Quest for Quality and HealthGrades® "America's 50 Best Hospitals."

How does Beaumont achieve such strong performance in such a challenging environment? "We hire people who have a strong quality and customer service orientation," said Linda Kruso, Director of Workforce Planning for Beaumont.

# Finding the right employees doesn't happen by accident

In 2007, Beaumont invested in technology from the leading healthcare talent management software vendor-HealthcareSource® "We have over 75,000 job applications per year, 22 recruiters, and approximately 1,000 hiring managers – it is just too big an operation to not be efficient. By automating processes, we can focus our efforts on quality hiring, not on pushing paper." They selected HealthcareSource Position Manager® for their applicant tracking, and HealthcareSource Staff Assessment<sup>sM</sup>, formerly known as TestSource HSI for their behavioralbased pre-employment assessment.

"We were on an older applicant tracking solution that was just not user friendly. Our hiring managers had no access or visibility, our recruiters could neither rank nor sort candidates, and there was no onboarding capability. Position Manager solved all of that and more," said Kruso. "Recruiters love Position Manager – it's easy to use. Hiring managers love it too – the turnaround time is so much quicker. And we've really improved the whole candidate experience."

"We also wanted to do a better job on improving fit and quality of our hires. With the efficiency of Position Manager, we can use the time savings to have our recruiters drill down on a candidate's customer service and quality orientation. We wanted to quickly identify who were the best candidates,



#### **About Beaumont Hospitals**

**Location:** Macomb, Oakland and Wayne Counties in Michigan

Specialties: Regional health provider

**Mission:** To provide the highest quality health care services to all of our patients regardless of where they live or their financial circumstances.

Employees: Over 20,000 Number of annual hires: Approximately 2,500 hires

**Solutions:** HealthcareSource Position Manager®, HRIS Integration, HealthcareSource Staff Assessment<sup>5M</sup>



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and focus our time on the right people. We also wanted to support the hiring managers and recruiters on candidatespecific interview questions." The solution was HealthcareSource Staff Assessment "We put a lot of change in place in a short time, and like all change, it took getting used to. But now our recruiters really love it. They get much better insight into the candidates, ask better questions and hire better people. The recruiters feel that they are doing a better job supporting the hiring managers. And most important, we really believe we are hiring better fit employees, and that our retention rates will improve over time as a result," commented Kruso.

#### **Easy implementation and integration**

"We had a vision for how we wanted to do things, and we dove right in. We implemented both Position Manager and Staff Assessment and integrated the systems. I was pleasantly surprised at how easy the integration was. There really wasn't anything for us to do. HealthcareSource did it all behind the scenes."

Applicants, after filling out an employment application in Position Manager, are automatically directed to Staff Assessment to complete a 15-minute survey. This ensures an easy one-step process for candidates. Recruiters can view all applicants in Position Manager and score only those that they are interested in. They score a survey by clicking on a link in that candidate's record and are brought directly into Staff Assessment. Applicant data is brought over, reducing the need

for duplicate data entry. The results provide interviewers with quantitative data along with behavioral-based interview questions.

# Fantastic support from a vendor who understands healthcare

"We knew we wanted a vendor who understood healthcare. That is what separated HealthcareSource from other vendors. But we got more than that. HealthcareSource is so customer oriented and makes things so easy. We were very aggressive in how much we wanted to do with Position Manager - we are real power users. Our implementation manager at HealthcareSource kept saying, 'It will be ok, we'll get it done, it will be fine.' And it was. He was very helpful," commented Kruso. "Their responsiveness is fantastic. They listen and react. They are so open-minded to new ideas and suggestions."

### Success is doing it right all at once

"We wanted to get full value from both systems and didn't want to risk losing momentum by not doing it all at once. It was intense, but I would do it that way again. We pushed to do it once and do it right. And we did. It was a very successful project," said Kruso. "It's wonderful. So much easier to status candidates, screen candidates, and keep track of candidates – the two tools together have streamlined processes considerably."

HealthcareSource Position Manager



How these two solutions work:

- Upon completion of the application form in Position Manager, applicant is presented a link to the survey page.
- The applicant completes the Staff Assessment survey.
- Within Position Manager, HR can see the status of the Staff Assessment survey (taken, not scored, scored).
- To score the survey, HR clicks on a link in Position Manager is taken to Staff Assessment.
- Applicant data sent from Position Manager to Staff Assessment via XML, eliminating need to double key information.
- In Position Manager, applicant record is updated to show that candidate survey has been scored.

With over 1,700 healthcare facilities as clients, HealthcareSource is the leading provider of talent management software for the healthcare industry. Through its cloud-based solutions, HealthcareSource helps healthcare organizations source, hire, assess, develop and retain the best workforce possible in order to reduce costs and to improve patient satisfaction and safety. The company's talent management software solutions include applicant tracking, onboarding, performance management, behavioral assessments, reference checking, physician recruiting, and candidate sourcing. A private corporation, HealthcareSource focuses exclusively on the healthcare industry and consistently earns high marks for client satisfaction and retention. HealthcareSource was named 2011 category leader for Talent Management by KLAS Research.

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