

Leading EMR vendors

The following vendors have been identified as leaders or visionaries for computer-based patient records by Stamford, CT-based Gartner Inc.'s Magic Quadrant.

<i>Vendor</i>	<i>Tool description</i>	<i>Gartner comment</i>
Cerner Corp.	Available as both hosted and licensed software and built on an Oracle relational database; captures a wide range of data and provides decision support	One of two next-generation (Generation 3) EMR products
Eclipsys Corp.	Integrated medical and financial electronic medical record (EMR) that connects outpatient care providers with the rest of the enterprise, yet protects the financial privacy of a physician's practice	Brings evidence-based medicine to the point of care
Epic Systems Corp.	An integrated suite of healthcare software targeted toward large healthcare organizations	The other next-generation EMR
GE Healthcare	Part of a broad portfolio of healthcare products (diagnostic devices, monitors, etc.); enables physicians and clinical staff to document patient encounters, streamline workflow and securely exchange clinical data	Broad, overall healthcare IT portfolio
McKesson Corp.	Combines EMR data collection and management that captures all patient medications	Strongest in medication administration and management
Medical Information Technology (Meditech) Inc.	Captures information from visits conducted anywhere (ambulatory centers, hospitals, physicians' offices, home health agencies, long-term care facilities and satellite laboratories); updated on a real-time basis	Biggest success in the smaller hospital segment
Siemens Medical Solutions	Partnering with NextGen Healthcare Information Systems Inc. by combining its expertise in IT systems and advanced medical imaging for the acute care and specialty areas with NextGen's ambulatory EMR and practice management software	Its workflow sets the industry standard