Adopting New Technologies to Integrated Laboratory Logistics to Support Clinical Lab 2.0 and Deliver More Value to Physicians and Patients

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TriCore Reference Laboratories

TriCore Vision

To be the leading laboratory focused on real time targeted patient intervention to improve population health in New Mexico and the Southwest region.

Services

67+ locations throughout New Mexico

24/7 courier coverage across New Mexico

45+ pathologists, scientists and clinicians

12 clinical specialties

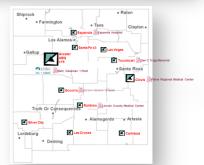
99% patient satisfaction



New Mexicans serving New Mexicans since 1998

Trusted community partner

Increased from 3 million to 10.5 million billable tests per year Increased from 500 to 1,300+ employees
Increased from 75% to 98% of tests performed in-house





TriCore Historical Logistic Confines

Handhelds

- 1. Slow took 2 minutes to upload information
- 2. Antiquated no longer supported
- 3. Routes dropping off device
- 4. Had to use 2 way radios in addition to for dispatching

Vehicles

- 1. >40
- 2. High mileage would reach 200,000 miles in 1 ½ 3 years
 - a) Large state geographically with sparse population
- 3. Leasing vehicles not cost effective

Space

- 1. Parking lot needed spaces for employee parking
- 2. Logistics area needed space for lab expansion



TriCore and MedSpeed Partnership

MedSpeed formed a relationship with TriCore in 2016 to provide 24/7 transportation services for TriCore specimens in central and northern New Mexico.

Together we continue to find value through business process integration and converting data to information.

Forward Visibility Means different things to different people

Specimen Management

- Big Picture View
- Total Counts by Hours

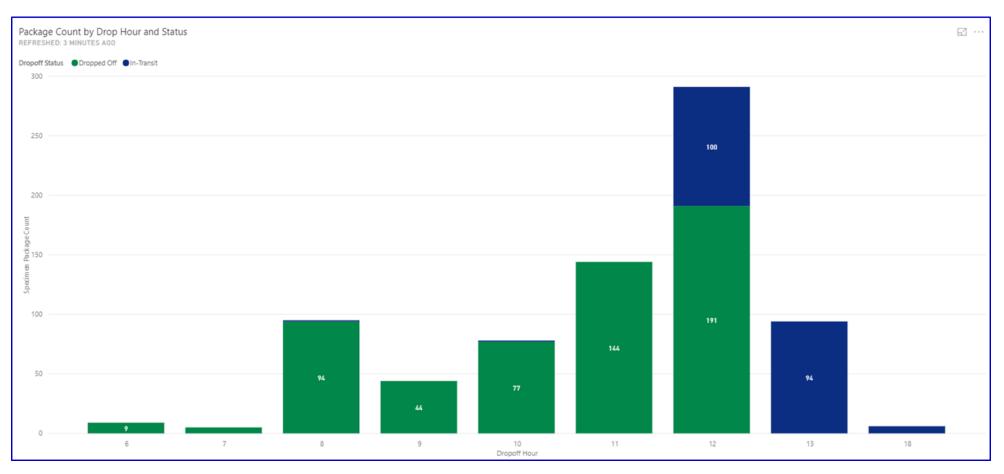
Client Engagement

- Client Level View and
- Associated Item Level View

Expose the data and allow laboratory departments to consume information which provides the best value to them. One size does not fit all.



MedSpeed: Specimen Management



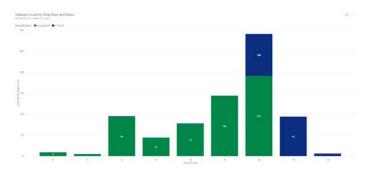
- Delivered and in-transit specimen bag counts by hour typically displayed on a large screen in specimen receiving or accessioning
- Quick visual for magnitude of specimen flow



MedSpeed: Client Engagement

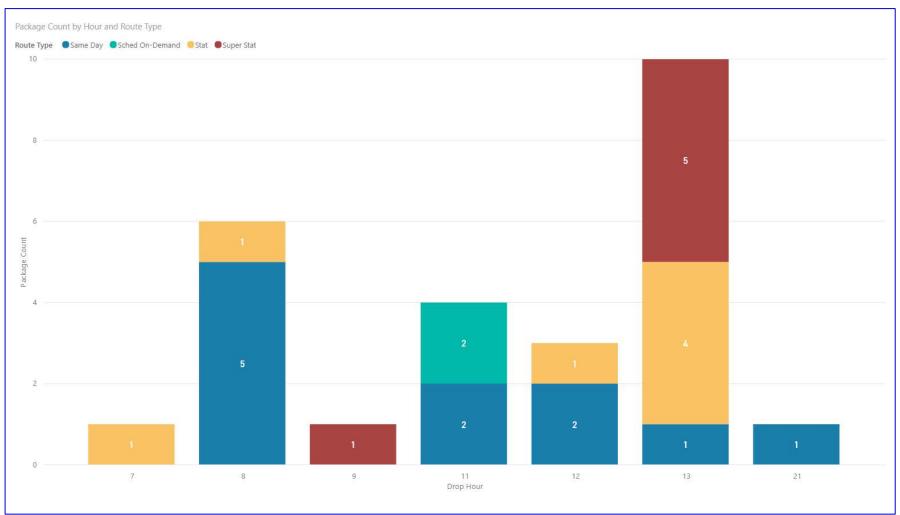
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- Detail view based on client engagement data
 - Account number
 - Location Name
- Ability to answer the question ...
 - Has the lab received my batch of specimens?





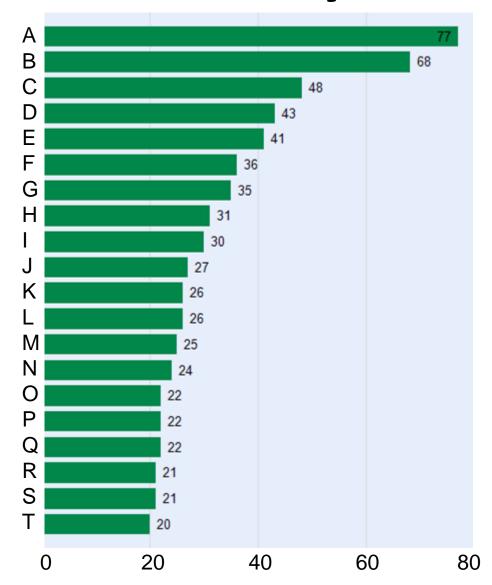
MedSpeed: STAT Activity



The on demand chart breakdown by service request



On Demand Sites by Job Count





TriCore Cost Allocation

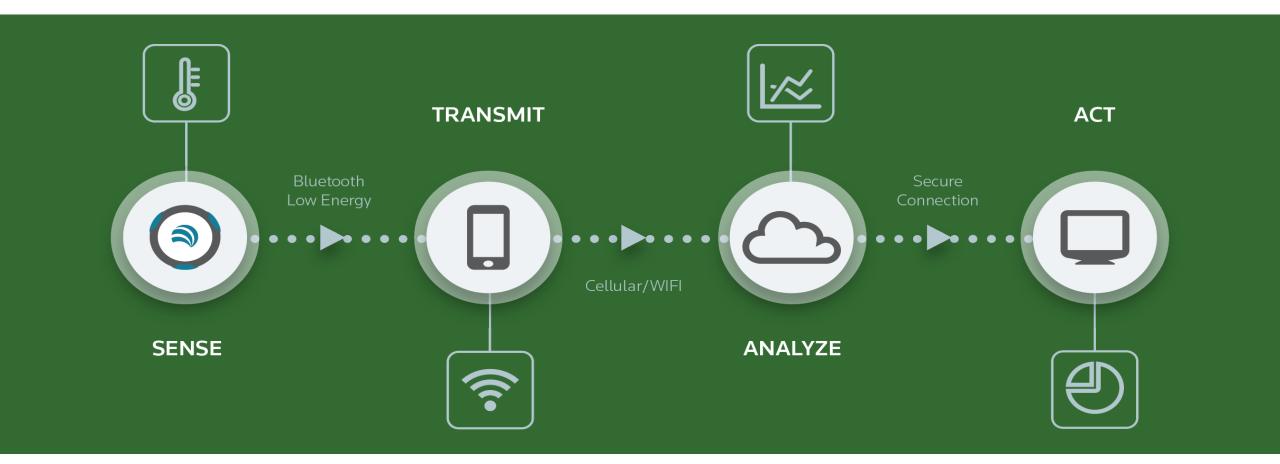
Department	Scheduled	WC/SD	SS/ST
Α	51.70%	82.25%	65.53%
В	3.73%	7.19%	16.79%
C	36.08%	7.65%	9.16%
D	8.51%	2.90%	8.19%













T-Tracks Sensors

- Totes / Coolers
 - Temperature
 - Days to weeks of data
- Vehicles
 - Temperature
 - Location Beacon
- Room Level Location
 - Beacon
- Battery Life: Up to 3 Yrs
- NIST-Traceable Calibration





T-Tracks™ Courier Solution







 Vehicle information together with tote information is sent by sensors



Collection Site

- 1. Temperature sensor in tote records and sends temperature information
- 2. Sensors in rooms send out beacon information
- 3. Phone receives and transmits information from both





5. Android/iPhone app or access point captures information and sends to Cloud.

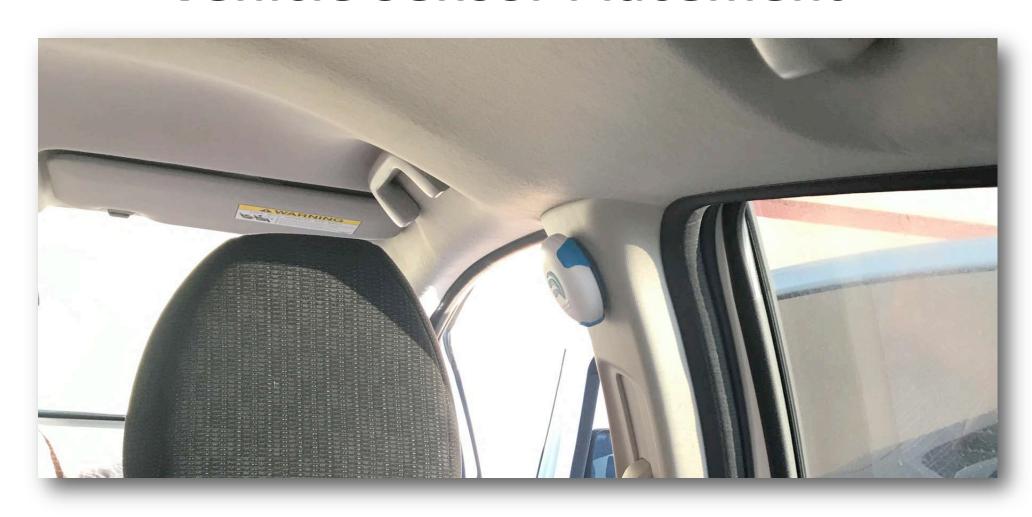




- 6. Dashboard
 - Immediate upload / feedback
 - Alerts and Remediation
 - Quick daily quality overview
 - Uses existing cellular or WiFi



Vehicle Sensor Placement





Temperature Sensor Placement

Frozen Tote



Refrigerated Tote





Location Sensor Placement





Typical Daily Baseline



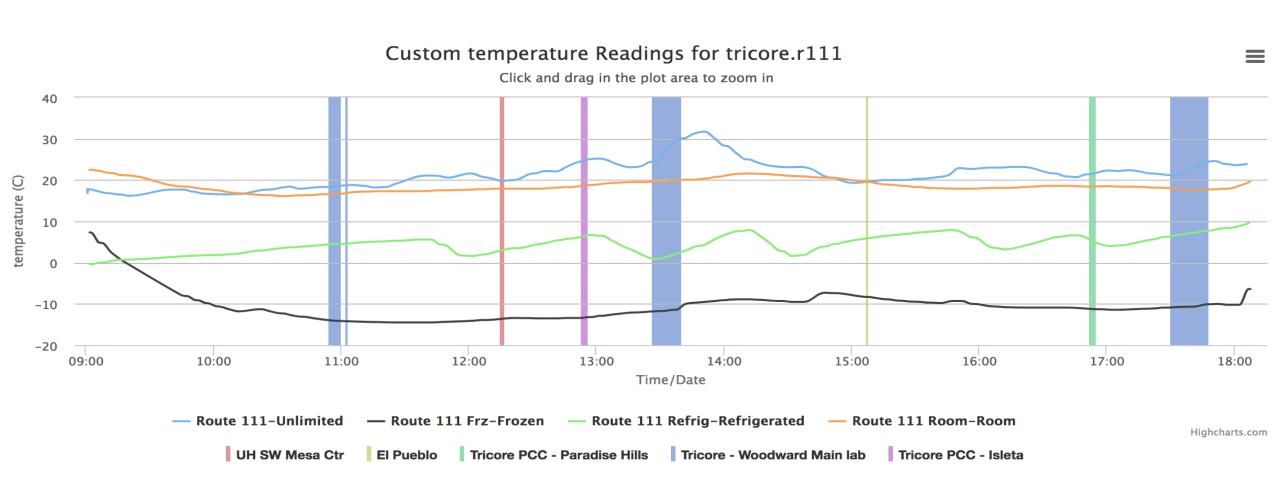


Process Changes Made

- Focus on Refrigerated Tote Temperature
- Steps to correct:
 - Keep dry ice in totes overnight (pre-cooling)
 - Remove dry ice and add gel packs prior leaving the central lab
 - Carry an extra tote of gel packs
 - With a little dry ice in the bottom
 - Recharge the totes during transit as needed



Typical Day After Correction



Future Considerations

- 1. Sample level tracking
- 2. Enhancements to MedSpeed's portal
- 3. Cost containment
- 4. Cost sharing
- 5. Alternative Transportation (ride sharing, Drones)

Q & A

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