

Digital Signatures for Healthcare

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A Digital Signature Solution for Healthcare

Physicians, nurses, health plan providers and other professionals in the healthcare industry are often buried under tons of paperwork requiring signatures. These professionals know that today's process for reviewing, approving, and archiving healthcare documentation consumes a tremendous amount of time and money. As a result, electronic documents are increasingly used in various phases of the workflow throughout the industry. But all too often, when a signature is needed on a document, a hard copy original is printed, the document is physically routed for signatures, and the document is scanned and entered into a document management system. Applying a handwritten signature to these files comes at a cost - records processing and budget, today; archiving and audit overhead, tomorrow.

CoSign® makes it easy to digitally **sign transactions, documents and records** by embedding the standard signature technology directly into mainstream business applications. CoSign produces a

signature record for every signature it captures. This Portable Signature Format (CoSign PSF™) allows anyone to seamlessly verify and retain proof of identity, intent, and document integrity without costly, complicated, or proprietary software. CoSign keeps your business running smoothly by fully automating and quickly scaling processes at a low cost and with proper controls.

How Do CoSign Digital Signatures Improve Business Processes?

Accelerate business. Because CoSign PSF is a self-contained, portable, and embedded signature record, signed documents can be easily routed through and between organizations. Documents signed with CoSign can be examined rapidly with no need for time-consuming manual routing of physical documents.

Lower costs. CoSign allows users to reduce costs associated with authorizing and signing documentation. It also reduces the costs and quality challenges associated with archiving, audits, and legal requirements. By reducing costs associated with traditional paper-based processes (i.e., paper, printing, ink, scanning, faxing, postage, and processing time), organizations realize a quick Return on Investment (ROI).

Eliminate vendor lock-in. By using a standards-based digital signature technology, CoSign transforms signed documents into portable electronic records that are maintained in a non-proprietary format. This allows third-party document recipients to easily verify signatures in commonly used applications (e.g., Microsoft® Word, Excel®, SharePoint® Outlook®, Adobe® Reader®, Acrobat®, TIFF, AutoCAD®, InfoPath®, and many more) without costly, complicated, or proprietary software.

Seamless Digital Signatures

- » **A Simple Click.** Easy to sign, retain and verify digital documents using business applications.
- » **A Faster Pace.** Accelerate the pace of doing business with a customer, partner or prospect.
- » **A Lower Cost.** Ease the cost and burden of using digital signatures in business process automation.

Digital Signatures That Keep Your Business Moving

Legal and regulatory compliance. CoSign enables organizations to comply with regulations worldwide, including: FDA Title 21 CFR Part 11, HIPAA, US E-Sign (Electronic Signatures in Global and National Commerce Act), EU Directive for Electronic Signatures, and the EU's VAT Directive.

Document integrity. CoSign seals documents digitally, verifying the document has not been altered after signing, providing proof of the signer's identity, intent, and document integrity over the life of the document record.

Seamless Digital Signatures in Workflows

A typical scenario of digital signature use within Healthcare documentation is a situation in which a document must be signed by more than one individual. The originator of the document checks-in the document and routes it to the various signers. Each signer receives an e-mail with a URL directing them to the document. The signers then check-out the document, read, and sign it. Once the document has been signed by each individual, the originator/owner of the document is notified that the signing process is complete. Digitally signed documents can be examined for proof of the signer's identity, intent, and record integrity without costly, complicated, or proprietary software.

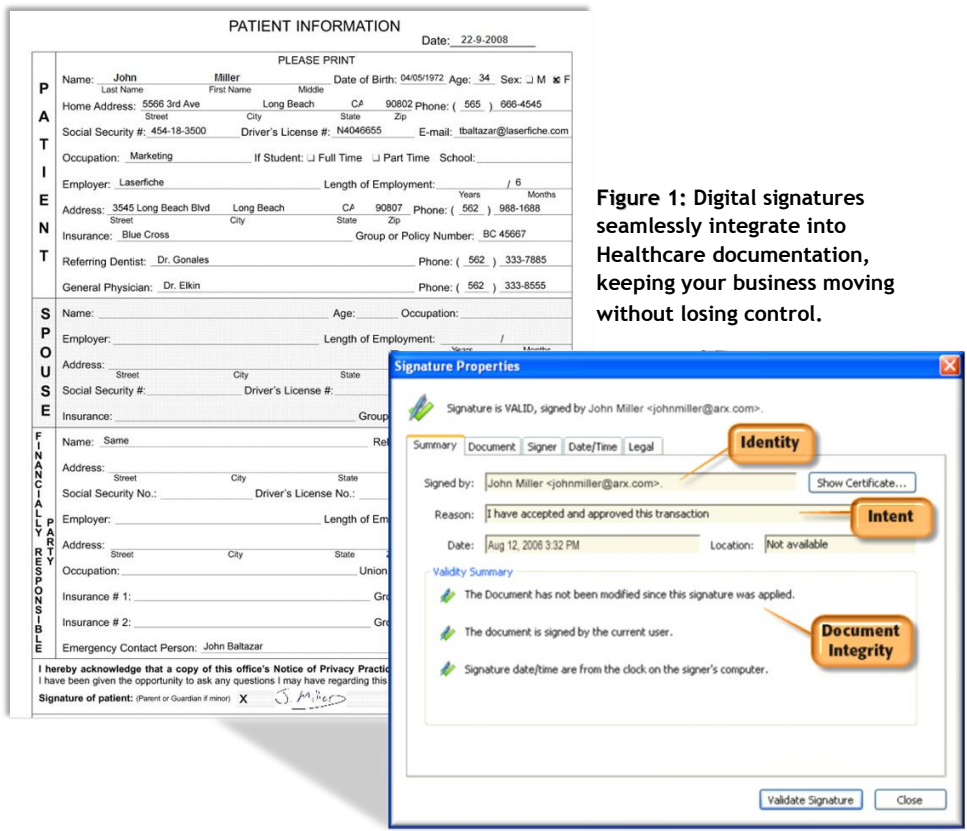


Figure 1: Digital signatures seamlessly integrate into Healthcare documentation, keeping your business moving without losing control.

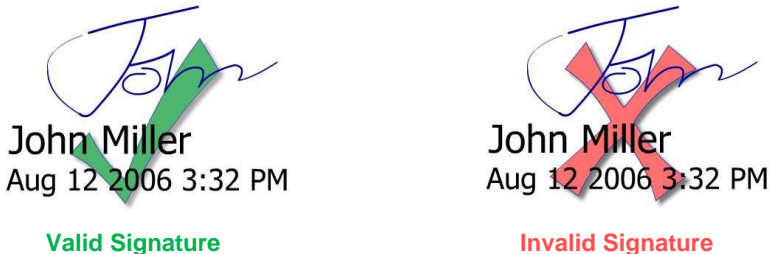


Figure 2: CoSign Digital Signatures (Standard Electronic Signatures) seamlessly verify and retain proof of identity, intent and document integrity without costly, complicated or proprietary software.