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Barnsley Hospital NHS Foundation Trust chooses Agfa's high-performing DR 600 for unique new diagnostic center in The Glass Works, Barnsley, UK

The fully automated DR 600 radiography room delivers image quality and workflow benefits that support patient care quality and reduced waiting times

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- One of the first diagnostic centers in the UK located in a retail shopping area, the new diagnostic imaging clinic aims to bring high-tech healthcare directly in the heart of the community.
- The high-performing, ceiling-suspended DR 600 maximizes productivity and throughput, with an enhanced experience for patients and operators alike.
- MUSICA® supports superior “first time right” imaging, reducing retakes and increasing patient throughput and comfort.

Barnsley Hospital NHS Foundation Trust, in Barnsley, UK, has opened a new community diagnostic center (CDC) in The Glass Works, a retail development with a convenient, central location. Offering ultrasound, X-ray, breast screening, phlebotomy and bone density scans, this CDC is one of the first of 40 such diagnostic centers being launched across England, in a range of settings from local shopping centers to football stadiums.

Easier access to key diagnostic tests

"We have had really good feedback about the Community Diagnostic Centre (CDC) from the public. The center's location in the heart of town makes it much more accessible and patients have said it takes the edge off having a medical procedure because you don't feel like you are coming to hospital. They also like how they can incorporate their visit with a shopping trip / lunch out in town. Staff also love working at the CDC, with its new, fresh and clean modern design, it provides a day away from the usual stresses onsite hospital working often

involves. You can dedicate your whole time to those patients booked on the list and are able to provide a much more patient centred care approach. Myself and colleagues love the Agfa x-ray equipment, we have all said how easy it is to use. The Radiologists are also impressed with the image quality,” says Alison Lamb, Service Manager for Medical Imaging at Barnsley Hospital NHS Foundation Trust.

“We are delighted that our top-performance DR 600 room has been chosen for this unique, state-of-the-art facility. Easier, faster and more direct access to diagnostic tests is key to enabling earlier diagnoses for patients. The DR 600 supports those goals by delivering a streamlined workflow, increased patient throughput and excellent image quality,” says Georges Espada, Global Head of Digital Radiography Business Unit of Agfa.

Image quality and smooth, efficient workflow

The DR 600 is a high-productivity, fully automatic, ceiling-suspended X-ray room. Powered by MUSICA, it streamlines workflow and increases throughput, enhancing the experience of patients and operators alike with technologies including ZeroForce™ maneuverability and EasyStitch™ full leg/full spine imaging. This makes it ideal for a state-of-the-art facility like the Barnsley CDC at The Glass Works.

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