



Hope United Survivor Network
Gaston County FJC
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Fernico Inc., a Charlotte, North Carolina based company, is the sole source in the USA for Cortexflo.

Cortexflo is a forensic camera system specifically designed for the photo documentation of victims of sexual and physical abuse. The system is currently being used in both hospitals and child advocacy centers to document the medical examinations of their patients.

The Cortexflo system has been developed by Fernico to meet the needs of SANE Nurses, Pediatricians and other medical staff working in the physical and sexual abuse field. Fernico has worked closely with these users to ensure the product meets their specific needs.

There are a number of unique features in Cortexflo which are not available in other potential solutions:

- Voice Control – Full control of camera focusing, picture taking and video recording can be achieved entirely through voice control.
- Large Touch Screen Display – The software is designed to function on a touch screen, captured photos can be enlarged and reviewed immediately after they are taken.
- Fully Automated Photo Management – Photo's and Video's captured can automatically be written to a password protected, encrypted DVD, with the user only needing to tap two buttons on the touch screen.
- Annotation for Peer Review – Users can annotate their photographs with arrows, boxes, text and clock diagrams to help identify injuries or areas of concern.
- Chain of Evidence Compliant – By utilizing secure AES 256-bit encryption, MD5 and SHA1 hashing and a structured user workflow process, Cortexflo is able to produce photographic evidence that will be credible in a court of law.

Due to the sensitive nature of the work undertaken by the hospitals, rape crisis centers and child advocacy centers using the Cortexflo system, all sales and support are managed directly by Fernico Inc.

Please get in touch with us if you have any questions or if you require additional information.

Sincerely,

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