Launch of Cashless Payment System for Medical Facilities
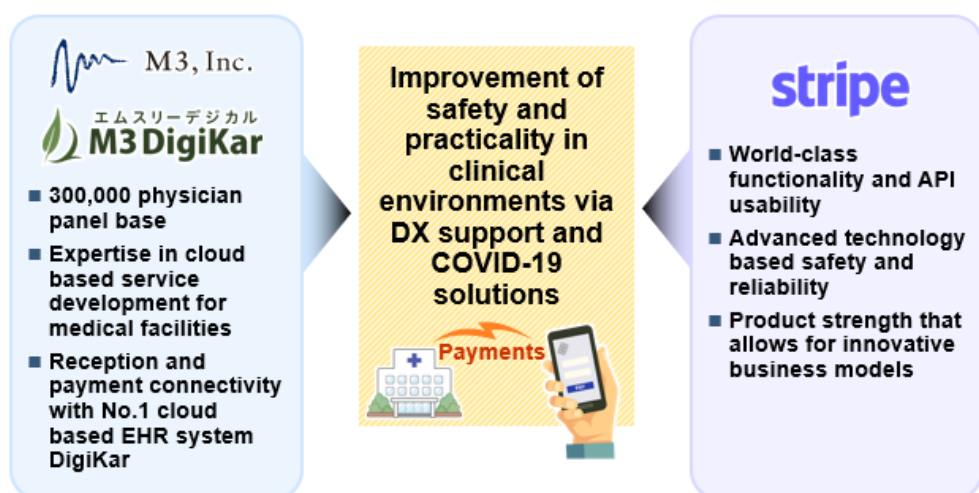~ Joint Effort Between ©Stripe and "M3 DigiKar," the No.1 Cloud Based EHR System in Japan ~

M3, Inc. (Headquarters: Tokyo, Japan; CEO: Itaru Tanimura; URL: https://corporate.m3.com/en; "M3" below) and Stripe Japan, Inc. (Headquarters: Tokyo, Japan; CEO: Daisuke Aranami; URL: https://www.stripe.com/, "Stripe" below) has announced that a cashless payment service for medical facilities, "M3 DigiKar Smart Payment," will be launched through M3 DigiKar, an M3 group company, starting May of 2021.

<Overview>

M3 operates m3.com, a specialized web portal for medical professionals that delivers healthcare related information to its 300,000 physician members in Japan, and offers abundant expertise within the medical field accumulated through its wide range of businesses. Stripe is a technology company with knowhow in building economic infrastructures for the internet, and offers software that facilitates advanced financial transactions.

As the spread of COVID-19 accelerates digital transformation within the clinical scene such as with telemedicine and treatment instructions, M3 and Stripe has joined to provide this new payment service designed for medical facilities by capitalizing on M3 DigiKar's knowhow in cloud based services developed through its EHR business, and Stripe's economic infrastructure, "Stripe Connect," highly regarded for its world-class API and functionality, security and reliability, as a product that efficiently connects various businesses to their end-users.

M3 group aims to continue to expand initiatives that improve productivity and further digital transformation across the healthcare industry. Stripe aims to expand its contribution as cornerstone platform to support the digital transformation of industries across Japan, starting with the healthcare industry which is integral to supporting the health and safety of the nation.

About "M3 DigiKar Smart Payment"

This service has pursued ease and simplicity of installation for medical facilities. End-users can complete the full process from reception to payment directly through their smartphones, and are enabled to leave the clinic immediately upon completion of their visit by utilizing the "send Rx" function to their local pharmacy. There is also no need on part of the medical facility to install any additional equipment such as card readers.

<Features>
· Services specialized for clinics and medical facilities
· COVID-19 solutions
· Connectivity to cloud based EHR "M3 DigiKar" for reception and billing system
· Simple application and approval process for medical facilities (start as soon as the next business day)

Future service expansion include support for connectivity with reservation systems, registration ticketing, and medical questionnaires.

About "M3 DigiKar"

M3 DigiKar, the No.1 seller in cloud based EHR systems in Japan, aims to simplify diagnoses at clinics through technology. AI assisted automated machine learning functions and iPad* assisted entry tools that mimic paper-like usability has gained high evaluations from doctors for ease of use. It has been adopted by over 2,600 clinics across Japan and hit the highest record of monthly new adoption on March, 2021, 162% growth compared to March 2020. Going forward, adoption pace of M3 DigiKar is expected to accelerate.

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