



Four Strategies to Manage VMware by Broadcom Risk—Without Disrupting Patient Care

Healthcare IT leaders face a narrowing window to act before October 2027

For healthcare organizations, the latest actions by VMware by Broadcom, introduce more than operational change; they raise questions of risk to clinical continuity, patient safety, and long-term budget predictability. With the mandated transition to VMware Cloud Foundation 9 (VCF 9) by **October 2027**, hospitals and health systems face increasing pressure to adapt within rigid regulatory, staffing, and financial constraints. Pricing shifts, bundled-only offerings, reduced flexibility, and emerging hardware and supply-chain concerns may lead to unplanned infrastructure decisions, putting uptime for EHRs, imaging systems, and other mission-critical clinical and business applications at risk. These changes might drive higher costs, fewer support options, and growing uncertainty, at a time when healthcare IT teams must also manage cybersecurity threats, AI adoption, and modernization demands with limited resources.

The question is no longer whether change is required, but [how to move forward with confidence](#)—without disrupting patient care.

Why VMware Change Hits Healthcare Harder

- 1 Always-on clinical applications (EHR, PACS, lab, pharmacy, patient portals)
- 2 Long budget cycles and limited tolerance for unplanned cost fluctuations
- 3 Lean IT teams supporting life-critical workloads

Infrastructure built for healthcare’s new reality must deliver:

- **Clinical-grade reliability** to support EHRs, imaging, and patient-facing systems
- **Unified operations** across on-prem, edge, and cloud—within organizational clinical or compliance risk tolerances
- **Support for legacy VMs and modern applications**, without forcing re-architecture
- **Predictable costs and licensing stability** under healthcare budget constraints
- **Resilient infrastructure** that protects patient services from hardware, supply-chain, and vendor disruption

With four key strategies, Nutanix helps healthcare organizations manage risk, modernize infrastructure, and prepare for a hybrid multicloud future—on their own terms.

1 Build for the future on a modern platform, designed to minimize disruption to clinical workflows

[This isn't just a like-for-like replacement](#). Nutanix enables healthcare organizations to modernize infrastructure as they choose and, preserving clinician workflows and patient services.

Run hyperconverged Nutanix Cloud Infrastructure, including the integrated Nutanix AHV hypervisor, while retaining existing SAN investments for legacy workloads if needed. Support new workloads such as analytics, AI, dev/test, disaster recovery, and edge deployments, while continuing to run mission-critical clinical and business applications with confidence.

2 Simplify operations by replacing legacy SANs with hyperconverged infrastructure

[Replace traditional SAN complexity](#) with the Nutanix Cloud Platform (NCP), designed to support high availability and consistent performance required for healthcare workloads.

NCP provides a cloud-like operating model optimized for business-critical applications, including EHR platforms, PACS imaging, and clinical analytics—while also supporting new AI-driven initiatives. Nutanix licenses include AHV, a full-featured enterprise hypervisor built for hybrid multicloud deployments, at no additional cost—helping control expenses while simplifying operations.

3 Rebalance on-prem and cloud on your terms

Nutanix enables healthcare organizations to [shift workloads to the public cloud](#) for disaster recovery, burst capacity, and modernization, without costly refactoring or replatforming of regulated clinical systems.

With license mobility and seamless migration to AWS, Microsoft Azure, and Google Cloud, healthcare IT teams can leverage existing cloud credits and consumption commitments while maintaining organizational control over data, compliance, and availability.

4 Maximize existing VMware and hardware investments while mitigating future risk

Nutanix integrates with existing VMware environments, enabling healthcare organizations to continue leveraging current VMware licenses while [transitioning at their own pace](#).

This approach allows IT teams to support critical healthcare systems today while reducing long-term exposure to forced licensing changes. Nutanix also works seamlessly with leading external storage vendors helping healthcare organizations maintain flexibility and resilience across on-prem, cloud, and edge environments.

Start Today—Before the VCF 9 Deadline Puts Patient Care and Budgets at Risk

With VMware by Broadcom’s mandate to move to VCF 9 by October 2027, healthcare organizations have a shrinking window to act on their own terms. Nutanix can help reduce disruption, support risk management, and improve cost predictability—before migration becomes mandatory.

Supporting more than 30,000 customers globally, Nutanix provides a proven, healthcare-ready platform backed by an industry-leading Net Promoter Score of 90+ for over a decade. Our migration tools, training, professional services, and migration blueprint can help healthcare IT teams move from VMware to Nutanix safely, simply, and at their own pace.

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What Customers Are Saying

“Traditionally, we’ve been a VMware estate for hypervisors, but due to costs, we’re moving across to Nutanix AHV because it’s efficient and it’s a cost saving. Anything we can do to improve efficiency is something we’ll look at. We’re making quite a saving not having to redo our VMware estate and it opens doors for us in terms of reduced admin and access to a new ecosystem.”

—Matt Palmer, Deputy CIO, [Mid Cheshire NHS Hospitals Foundation Trust](#)

“When VMware became part of Broadcom, Broadcom continued to execute on their business model, and a lot of people chose to sit back. For us, the timing was perfect. Nutanix took its commitment to building a better product for customers at the right time, and the company has stepped in to do battle on that field.”

—Jon Edwards, IT Director at [Legacy Health](#)