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Webmedx Reacts to Healthcare Industry Demand for Greater Quality Measures Reporting, Eases Meaningful Use Burden for Hospital CIOs

Company strengthens QualityAnalytics™ offering, further expands clinical data mining capabilities for medical transcription.

Atlanta and Nashville, TN (May 20, 2010) – [Webmedx](#), the fourth largest medical transcription service provider in the U.S. and a premier supplier of clinical documentation solutions, cites the recent endorsement by the [National Quality Forum](#) (NQF) of 70 new combined quality measures along with continued CIO pressure to achieve meaningful use of electronic health records (EHRs), as impetus for expanding their [QualityAnalytics™](#) data mining software. Initially designed to provide data for core measures reporting, the application now also delivers structured, discrete clinical data to populate EHRs thereby helping CIOs meet the quality reporting requirements of meaningful use compliance under the federal American Reinvestment and Recovery Act/Health Information Technology for Economic and Clinical Health (ARRA-HITECH).

Currently, Webmedx customers use the QualityAnalytics software to abstract clinical data for JCAHO core measure reporting, CMS's [Physician Quality Reporting Initiative](#) (PQRI), clinical documentation improvement initiatives, and RAC risk mitigation.

“Increasing the use of quality measurement as part of EHR adoption is critical to achieving meaningful use,” mentions Sean Carroll, company CEO. Hospital chief information officers (CIOs) appearing before the federal Office of the National Coordinator Standards Implementation Workgroup stated that the quality reporting requirements of meaningful use compliance are perhaps the most challenging since much of the information needed is trapped within physicians’ narrative, transcribed reports and notes.

The Webmedx solution unlocks data from medical transcription through a unique combination of natural language processing (NLP) and other database query tools. Termed Narradata™, the information is combined with data pulled from other sources, including EHRs, to meet quality reporting requirements. The result is less manual intervention, easier quality reporting, and faster achievement of meaningful use milestones.

Over 20 organizations have promulgated more than 3,000 quality measures; further taxing overworked and time constrained quality reviewers, primarily registered nurses and certified clinical coders. QualityAnalytics replaces manual review hours with discrete data mined from transcribed reports. “QualityAnalytics is another example of how Webmedx is meeting customer needs and delivering practical, proven solutions to drive more value out of existing healthcare technologies,” concludes Carroll.

About Webmedx, Inc.

Webmedx, Inc. is the 4th largest supplier of medical transcription services and clinical documentation technology for hospitals and clinics nationally. Recently named 2009 Best in KLAS for Outsourced Transcription according to the *2009 Top 20 Best in KLAS Awards: Software & Professional Services* report, December 2009, the company designs and implements customer-centric documentation solutions using the most credentialed domestic workforce in the industry and its own enterprise-class, intelligent speech recognition and clinical data mining technology platforms. For more information, go to www.webmedx.com, email sales@webmedx.com, or call 877-846-1200.

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