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ePrescribing Vendors Unite for Patient Safety

JACKSONVILLE, Fla.-- The ePrescribe Florida Collaborative released its inaugural list of registered vendor solutions today that will be featured on the organization's website and in outreach efforts to providers seeking e-prescribing solutions. Each registered vendor completed a detailed program of review and validation of its eprescribing solution's functionality against a set of electronic prescribing and patient safety criteria. These include alerting prescribers to potential drug-to-drug and drug-to-allergy interactions during the prescribing process. Each vendor satisfied the Medicare Part D ePrescribing standards for presenting patient formulary, benefit and medication history information, as recently announced by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS).

“Our goal is to give prescribers the information and independent review they need to help implement successful e-prescribing solutions,” says Walt Culbertson, Executive Director of ePrescribe Florida. “Vendor community participation in our program is critical in our mission of increasing the adoption of electronic prescribing by physicians and clinicians.”

The registered list of vendors includes:

DrFirst - Rcopia

H2H Solutions, Inc. - Digital Rx

Informed Decisions, LLC, a Gold Standard Company - eMPOWERx

InstantDx - OnCallData

iScribe – a service of CVS Caremark

MedPlus, a Quest Diagnostics Company – Care360 Physician Portal

MDI Achieve – Matrix eScribing

Misys Healthcare Systems - eScript, Misys EMR

NextGen Healthcare – NextGen EMR

RelayHealth - eScript

RxNT – EMR LITE, RxNT

SSIMED - EMRge

Zix Corporation – PocketScript

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“The vendor community has enthusiastically supported this initiative and worked very hard to complete the registration process,” notes Beth Bridges, Chair of the ePrescribe Florida vendor solutions workgroup. “While we stop short of calling our process a certification program, we have collected a lot of valuable information about solutions and options that will benefit prescribers.”

Shawn Barger, Director of Pharmacy for AvMed and Vice-Chair of the vendor solutions workgroup added, “While we completed our first round of registrations, we have learned a great deal that will strengthen the process and help us establish more vendor relationships. Not every solution is right for every doctor. Our vendor agnostic approach of providing information and choice will create successful opportunities for all.”

"This is another clear example of everybody winning," emphasizes Catherine Peper, Vice President of Health Information Technology at Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Florida and Chair of ePrescribe Florida. "Providers want vendor choice. That's why it has been so important to build relationships and learn from those who provide the technology."

To view more information about each registered solution and the criteria used in the registration process, or to request an application to register a solution, visit the ePrescribe Florida website at <http://www.ePrescribeFlorida.com>.

About ePrescribe Florida:

ePrescribe Florida a collaborative of Florida’s prescribing stakeholders including the state’s leading health plans, physician and provider associations, pharmacy retail chains and associations, health care quality improvement organizations, infrastructure and application vendors, the Agency for Health Care Administration (AHCA), and other key industry and government stakeholders.

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