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**InfraWare Joins Health Story Project**

**TERRE HAUTE, Ind.** (May 6, 2009) – InfraWare, Inc. announced the company has joined the Health Story Project (also known as CDA4CDT in the Health IT space).

“InfraWare has signed on as a promoter [the highest level of membership] of the Health Story Project because it fits the company’s strategic vision for helping transcription providers add value to the deliverable of transcribed reports”, explained CEO Nick Mahurin.

The standardized structure of the Clinical Document Architecture (CDA) provides a blueprint to help solve the interoperability gap for sharing reports among electronic medical records (EMR) systems. Today, InfraWare provides both proprietary and standards-based interfaces from the TASP to most EMR systems. Both types of interfaces are time-consuming and costly to implement and support. By converging on a single, standardized document format (CDA) that contains a rich data structure in addition to the transcribed narrative, InfraWare expects to provide customers with a low-cost, high-impact vehicle for document delivery that eventually renders those old interfaces obsolete. Transcription providers will be able to provide an EMR-ready document with extended value at a reduced cost.

In today’s climate of government pressure to adopt and extend utilization of EMRs, healthcare facilities are under significant pressure. Many EMR companies have promoted new modalities for creation of medical reports such as point-and-click templates. While these are appropriate in limited scenarios, the vast majority of physicians want to continue dictating and they can best honor their patients by doing so. The concepts of the Health Story Project empower InfraWare and others to connect the technology dots that will allow rapid adoption of EMR systems without requiring significant changes in physician behavior or sacrificing great patient care that stems from a free-form, dictated narrative.

InfraWare is currently developing to the Health Story Project vision and expects to provide solutions for the initial Common Document Types (CDT) in Q4 2009.



## About the Health Story Project

Approximately 600 million clinical documents are produced in the United States each year. Dictated and transcribed documents make up around 60% of all clinical data. These documents contain the majority of physician-attested information and are used as the primary source of information for reimbursement and proof of service. This tremendous source of clinical information is grossly underutilized in current computer-based record systems.

Health Story is an alliance of healthcare vendors, providers and associations that pooled resources over the previous two years in a rapid-development initiative called "CDA4CDT" (Clinical Document Architecture for Common Data Types) to produce data standards for the flow of information between common types of healthcare documents and electronic health records.

Four technical implementation guides are now available as HL7 draft standards for trial use. There remain important document types to be defined as well as work to support their implementation. In addition, industry must be informed about the availability of the standard and about the essential role and benefits of electronic documents. More information: <http://www.healthstory.com>

## About InfraWare, Inc.

InfraWare is one of the medical transcription industry's fastest-growing ASP software companies serving Medical Transcription Service Organizations (MTSOs). InfraWare is not owned by—nor does it compete with—MTSOs. The fast, powerful, easy-to-use InfraWare 360 ASP platform was developed with input from hundreds of MTSO customers, enabling them to quickly and accurately produce more lines of transcription with each MT and better serve the needs of their physician and hospital clients. The intuitive InfraWare platform includes flexible dictation options, back-end speech recognition, transcription processing with a built-in word expander and medical spell check dictionary, automated document delivery options, and a management console to streamline administrative and quality assurance processes. To learn more about InfraWare, please call 877-235-7239 or visit <http://www.infraware.com>

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