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Dialog Medical Announces Contract Renewal with Department of Veterans Affairs

VA will continue to use Dialog Medical's iMedConsent™ application as the backbone for its Electronic Support for Patient Decisions (ESPD) initiative

ATLANTA, October 12, 2005 — Dialog Medical, the leading provider of informed consent and patient education systems for hospitals and physician practices, today announced a one-year contract renewal for its iMedConsent application with the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA). The VA signed a national licensing agreement for iMedConsent in March 2004 and installation of the application was completed in all 162 VA hospitals last month. iMedConsent serves as the backbone for the VA's Electronic Support for Patient Decisions (ESPD) initiative—helping VA healthcare facilities establish a "standard of care" as it relates to educating patients about conditions, treatment alternatives, benefits and risks of a procedure.

iMedConsent is designed to help physicians and hospitals assure consistency in the process of obtaining the patient's informed consent to treatments and procedures. The application includes consent forms for most medical/surgical procedures; patient education documents for thousands of diagnoses and treatments; and an extensive anatomical image gallery that allows the physician to annotate images and simplify complex topics for the patient. In addition, iMedConsent automates and assures the completion of patient documentation ranging from HIPAA disclosures to advance directives, including the digital capture of signatures, paperless storage of signed documents and electronic notation in the patient's medical record.

"In their formal evaluation of the iMedConsent application, the VA recognized the potential not only for significant patient safety and quality of care improvements, but also for cost savings in the areas of document scanning, operating room efficiency and litigation costs," said Michael Burke, president of Dialog Medical. "We expect the VA to expand upon these financial benefits as we enter into the second year of this partnership and use of iMedConsent continues to expand within the VA health system."

iMedConsent is currently employed by the VA in every state, the District of Columbia and Puerto Rico.

About Dialog Medical

Dialog Medical is a leading provider of informed consent and patient education systems for hospitals and physician practices. The company's iMedConsent™ application is currently used by more than 15,000 physicians in hospitals and physician practices nationwide. For more information on Dialog Medical and its products, visit www.dialogmedical.com.

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