

Alegent Health System Automates I.V. Preparation to Enhance Patient Safety

Health system chooses ForHealth Technologies' IntelliFill i.v. robot to reduce errors and hospital costs

DAYTONA BEACH, FL – November 11, 2008 – ForHealth Technologies, Inc., a pioneer in medication error reduction and hospital pharmacy I.V. room automation, recently announced the selection of its robotic I.V. dose preparation system, IntelliFill i.v., by the Alegent Health System. The largest not-for-profit, faith-based healthcare system in Nebraska and southwestern Iowa, Alegent Health System was recently named the number one health system in the country by the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS). Alegent Health System is expected to install the IntelliFill i.v. robot in December 2008 and plans to use the system as the central component in a central fill model. The speed and accuracy with which the robot produces I.V. doses will allow for the automation of all doses for five Alegent Health hospitals located in Nebraska and southwestern Iowa.

IntelliFill i.v. automates the preparation and labeling of intravenous doses. It dramatically reduces I.V. dose errors through advanced robotics and barcode verification, and has already demonstrated its effectiveness in the preparation of over 23 million patient doses.

With its investment in IntelliFill i.v., Alegent Health System joins a rapidly expanding community of leading US hospitals making medication safety a priority. In recent months, ForHealth has seen an increase in hospital investments in technology to reduce or eliminate errors made in hospital pharmacy I.V. rooms.

"We evaluated all available technologies and found the IntelliFill i.v. to be the only solution which would both increase patient safety and reduce operational expenses, all the while meeting our uncompromising demand for speed and accuracy," said Angela Ward, RPh, Quality & Ancillary Services Executive, Alegent Health. "ForHealth Technologies' proven track record allows us to provide another level of security to our patients, while simultaneously streamlining processes within our I.V. room."

Alegent Health System has nine acute care hospitals, more than 100 sites of service, over 1,300 physicians on its medical staff and roughly 9,000 employees. IntelliFill i.v. is housed at Alegent Health System's newest location, Lakeside Hospital, located in Omaha, NE. In addition to providing automated I.V. doses to Lakeside Hospital, IntelliFill i.v. will also fill orders for Alegent Health System's other area hospitals, including

Immanuel Medical Center, Bergan Mercy Medical Center, Mercy Hospital, and Midlands Hospital.

About ForHealth

Founded in 1998, ForHealth Technologies delivers 21st century technology combined with professional support to uniquely enable hospital pharmacies to stay ahead of the growing challenges faced in preparing injectable medications. ForHealth Technologies solutions deliver quantum-leap improvements in key I.V. room performance metrics: accuracy, patient safety, clinician safety, speed, cost reduction, and regulatory compliance. More information is available at www.fhtinc.com. ForHealth Technologies: *Innovating for Your I.V. Room's Future™*

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