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Indiana Improves Health Care Quality and Emergency Preparedness through Statewide Deployment of Decision Support Software

53 Indiana health facilities install VisualDx software to aid in diagnostic accuracy

INDIANAPOLIS, IN – December 3, 2007 – The Indiana State Department of Health has launched a statewide deployment of a visual clinical decision support software system called VisualDx. The pilot program includes the installation of the software in 42 hospitals and 11 local health departments and clinics across the state. VisualDx will aid clinicians at these facilities in developing a more accurate, patient-centric diagnosis while simultaneously improving emergency preparedness.

"I have practiced tropical medicine all over the world. I am very impressed by the ability of VisualDx to generate a working differential diagnosis from a description of skin lesions and signs that is accurate and includes both the common and exotic," stated Dr. Ted Bailey, Indiana State Health Assistant Commissioner, Response Operators and Chief Medical Officer.

VisualDx is a unique technology that merges thousands of medical images with clinical information to give the clinician specialist knowledge right at the point-of-care. The VisualDx software system provides an innovative, dual-use approach for early detection, disease reporting, and will improve frontline clinicians' response to emerging infectious disease, conditions potentially caused by acts of terrorism, and other public health incidents which may be less recognizable. VisualDx meets HRSA-ASPR / CDC bioterrorism preparedness requirements.

"We are thrilled about the deployment of VisualDx throughout the state of Indiana. I am confident the response across the state will be positive as clinicians realize the quality and convenience of the information provided. I believe patients will value the presence of an additional resource for their doctors as well," said Dr. Art Papier, Chief Scientific Officer of Logical Images, the company that produces VisualDx.

The placement of the VisualDx software at the 53 pilot sites was funded by Indiana State Department of Health's Center for Disease Control preparedness funds. In addition to the initial pilot sites, individual health centers have also purchased the software independently with the common goal of increasing health care quality and preparedness levels throughout the state.

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Based in Rochester, NY, Logical Images develops visual health care tools to elevate diagnostic accuracy, enhance medical education, and heighten patient knowledge. Logical Images is a company of digital imaging experts, leaders in computer-based design and knowledge management, skilled image archivists, and practicing physicians. The company's products include VisualDx, visual clinical decision support software, and VisualDxHealth, online consumer wellness and health care resources located at <http://www.visualdxhealth.com>. Logical Images has developed the most comprehensive digital medical image library with over 50,000 images including all age ranges and skin types. This extensive collection is the foundation for both the VisualDx professional tool and the VisualDxHealth consumer tool - designed to speed disease recognition for faster, more accurate decision making and patient understanding. <http://www.logicalimages.com>

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