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AMKAI SOLUTIONS' AMKAI CHARTS™ RECEIVES AMBULATORY USE CERTIFICATION AND ENTRY INTO CHPL

Armonk, NY AmkaiSolutions announced today that AmkaiCharts™ version 3.0 has received ambulatory Meaningful Use certification and has been posted on the Office of the National Coordinator Certified HIT Product List (ONC-CHPL) website. AmkaiCharts, the company's electronic medical record (EMR) solution, is noted for its ease of use, OR efficiency, speed and accuracy of data capture at the point of care, and was built with more than five years of input from nurses, physicians, and a healthcare-experienced team of product managers and developers.

"Receiving meaningful use certification is very important for our clients who are physicians and clinics, as it qualifies them for vital federal stimulus funding, and allows them to easily demonstrate compliance," says Joe Macies, AmkaiSolutions president and CEO.

AmkaiCharts has already received Meaningful Use inpatient certification, a significant benefit for surgical hospitals, which stand to benefit greatly from compliance.

Meeting Health and Human Services (HHS) criteria for meaningful use enables eligible providers and institutions to qualify for incentive payments through Medicare and Medicaid EHR Incentive Programs under the Health Information Technology for Economic and Clinical Health (HITECH) Act. In order to meet the statutory requirement for Certified EHR Technology, qualifying institutions are required to use Complete EHRs and/ or EHR Modules that have been tested by an ONC-Authorized Testing and Certification Body (ATCB).

While it is not currently mandatory for ambulatory surgery centers (ASCs) to be certified that they meet meaningful use criteria, AmkaiSolutions has invested resources to meet certification requirements for ASCs. "We constantly try to anticipate our clients' needs. We believe that ASCs may ultimately be required to adhere to certification criteria, and we want our solutions to be ready so that our clients can take full advantage when they do," says Macies.

AmkaiCharts was tested and certified by ICSA Labs, an Authorized Testing and Certification Body (ATCB) authorized to perform both complete EHR and EHR module testing and certification. ICSA Labs has provided vendor-neutral testing and certification for hundreds of products and solutions for many of the world's top product developers and service providers.

The Health Information Technology for Economic and Clinical Health (HITECH) Act allows HHS to establish programs to improve health care quality, safety, and efficiency through the adoption of health information technology, including electronic health records (EHRs) and private and secure electronic health information exchange. Eligible hospitals can qualify for Medicare and Medicaid incentive payments when they adopt certified EHR technology and use it to achieve specified objectives for improving care. Altogether, more than \$27 billion in incentive payments is available to eligible providers and hospitals that meet these “meaningful use” objectives. A Federal regulation defining the first stage of meaningful use objectives was released in 2010.

AmkaiCharts v. 3.0 is 2011/2012 compliant and has been certified by an ONC-ATCB in accordance with the applicable certification criteria adopted by the Secretary of Health and Human Services. This certification does not represent an endorsement by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services or guarantee the receipt of incentive payments. Amkai Charts v. 3.0 was certified on June 3, 2011, Certification ID number **EHRX-AMKAISOLUT-2011**.

AmkaiCharts v. 3.0 has been certified for the following Meaningful Use criteria: 170.302(c), 170.302(f), 170.302(g), 170.302(e), 170.302(j), 170.302(d), 170.304(a), 170.302(m), 170.302(o), 170.302(t), 170.302(q), 170.302(p), 170.302(s), 170.302(u), 170.302(v), 170.302(r), 170.306(b), 170.306(a), 170.306(c), 170.306(e), 170.306(h), 170.304(a), 170.304(c)

About AmkaiSolutions

AmkaiSolutions is a trusted industry leader, providing innovative electronic solutions to Surgical Hospitals, Ambulatory Surgery Centers and Practice and Clinics. AmkaiCharts, the #1* rated EMR solution, provides users with critical patient information at their fingertips, along with powerful data mining and reporting capabilities, and accreditation at all levels. AmkaiCharts fully integrates with AmkaiOffice, the company’s next generation administrative and management system. AmkaiOffice allows users to maximize revenues, reduce supply costs and ensure timely completion of tasks, while providing detailed profitability reporting of case costing, and corporate/facility financial reporting and modeling.

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