VitalWorks to Demonstrate Flagship Products at HIMSS 2004


RIDGEFIELD, Conn., Feb. 22 /PRNewswire-FirstCall/ -- VitalWorks Inc., a leading provider of healthcare information and image management technology, will be demonstrating its flagship products at the 2004 Annual HIMSS Conference & Exhibition. The HIMSS (Healthcare Information Management Systems Society) conference, one of the biggest conferences in the healthcare I.T. industry, is expected to attract over 20,000 healthcare professionals, and is being held at the Orange County Convention Center in Orlando, FL. The conference starts Monday, February 23, 2004, and will run through Thursday, February 26, 2004.

In addition, AMICAS Inc, a wholly-owned subsidiary of VitalWorks, will be hosting the first annual CIO PACS Expo at HIMSS 2004. This is a special series of seminars focused on PACS (picture archiving and communication systems) education. The seminars will feature industry experts as guest speakers, and will include discussions on Web-based PACS, vendor selection, imaging center PACS, and PACS implementation. Sessions will be held throughout each day of the meeting, at the AMICAS booth.

In addition to its AMICAS Vision Series PACS, the company's Web-based system which was rated as the number-one PACS in the recent User Perception Report published by KLAS Enterprises (http://www.healthcomputing.com/), VitalWorks will be demonstrating its latest radiology information system, along with its emergency department information system, and its latest practice management and electronic medical records offerings.

RadConnect RIS is the company's flagship radiology information system. Operating on a Web and Java-based platform, RadConnect RIS is among the most advanced products of its kind, and is a core component of the company's integrated RIS, PACS, and radiology billing system. VitalWorks is one of the leading providers of radiology data and image management systems for radiology practices and imaging centers, and works with one of the largest client bases in this space.

VitalWorks' emergency department information system features a comprehensive emergency department patient tracking, as well as the company's "best of breed" emergency medicine electronic medical records system. VitalWorks has been providing solutions for this unique specialty for over ten years, and has one of the largest emergency medicine client bases in the industry.

Ingenuity EMR, the company's next-generation electronic medical records system, will be making its HIMSS debut this week. Currently in beta testing and designed to handle the EMR needs of enterprise-level healthcare organizations, Ingenuity EMR operates on an advanced Web and Java-based platform similar to RadConnect RIS.

VitalWorks' Intuition product line provides a complete suite of integrated data management products for small to medium-sized group practices. Based on a Microsoft Windows client-server platform, the product suite features the Intuition PM and Intuition EMR practice management and electronic medical records systems, and also includes wireless charge capture, Palm handheld integration, Web-based patient services, and comprehensive EDI services.

"We're extremely pleased to be an active participant in this year's annual HIMSS conference," said Joseph Walsh, VitalWorks' president and CEO. "We currently boast the strongest product line-up in our company's history, and, in fact, one of the strongest in our industry. Our entire staff is very excited to share our latest products and technologies with healthcare I.T. professionals and providers from across the country at this important meeting," Mr. Walsh added.

At the HIMSS conference, VitalWorks can be found at island # 2211, and its subsidiary AMICAS will be located at island # 6546.

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VitalWorks Inc. is a leading provider of information management technology and services targeted to healthcare practices and organizations throughout the United States. The company provides IT-based solutions for radiology practices including hospital radiology departments and ambulatory imaging centers, and medical practices such as anesthesiology, ophthalmology, emergency medicine, plastic surgery, dermatology and general medicine. The company’s range of software solutions, which include workflow features related to patient encounters, automate the administrative, financial, and clinical information management functions for large and small physician groups and other healthcare providers. VitalWorks provides its clients with ongoing software support, implementation, training, electronic data interchange, or EDI, services for patient billing and claims processing, and a variety of Web-based services. Visit the company at http://www.vitalworks.com/.

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