



## NEWS RELEASE

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### **COMPANIES COLLABORATE TO DEMONSTRATE SECURE MEDICAL RECORD INTEROPERABILITY**

**Sudbury, MA** – February 13, 2006 – MedCommons and Records for Living, Inc. announced today that they will collaborate on a live demonstration of secure health record exchange using the Commons eXchange Protocol (CXP) and the Continuity of Care Record (CCR) industry standard for interoperability.

The demonstration will show the exchange of sample patient records using the MedCommons medical record transport service, The Commons, and Records for Living's HealthFrame™ personal health record (PHR). The demonstration can be viewed live at the HIMSS '06 Annual Conference & Exhibition held at the San Diego Convention Center from February 12-16, 2006. MedCommons will be hosting the demonstration at Booth # 7411.

#### **Continuity of Care Record (CCR)**

The Continuity of Care Record (CCR) standard is an international standard designed to organize and make transportable a set of basic information about a patient's health care in a manner that is accessible to both clinicians and patients. Developed by American Society for Testing and Materials International (ASTM), one of the largest voluntary standards development organizations in the world, the CCR incorporates the most relevant administrative, demographic, and clinical information facts about a patient's health.

According to Dr. David Kibbe, Director for the Center for Health Information Technology of the American Academy of Family Physicians (AAFP), "... using the CCR standard could create basic interoperability among PHRs and EHRs and other HIS systems across the country in a very short time, leading to greater convenience for patients and consumers who would no longer have to hand-write administrative and clinical information into the 'clipboard' at every new doctor's or hospital visit."

#### **Commons eXchange Protocol (CXP)**

The Commons eXchange Protocol (CXP) is an Internet-based public domain transfer protocol for connecting any patient to any health care provider.

“The ability to create and access an authoritative personal health record is important in both emergency and chronic disease situations,” says Adrian Gropper MD, Chief Science Officer for MedCommons. “Increasing copayments and enhanced mobility are driving a new generation of powerful PHRs such as HealthFrame. CXP connects PHRs to the patient portals of health care providers such as hospitals, physician offices, laboratories, and diagnostic imaging centers.”

### **Interoperability Demonstration**

The Commons, produced by MedCommons, is a private and secure way for patients to transfer, for free, specific portions of their personal health record to any health care provider with access to the Internet, using open and standardized digital documents that are readily accessible to both patients and physicians. MedCommons is currently in beta and will be available for general release in Q2 2006.

HealthFrame™, a market leading personal health record software tool, is designed to provide consumers with healthcare decision support and record tracking. The newest version of HealthFrame™, to be released in early spring 2006, will utilize CCR and CXP to provide seamless electronic record exchange with healthcare providers and will add advanced decision support tools consumers need to make better informed healthcare decisions.

By interfacing the HealthFrame™ and MedCommons technologies, the demonstration will illustrate interoperability and the participating systems’ ability to interpret the exchanged information and adding value to their target users’ experience.

“HealthFrame™ and MedCommons will demonstrate the exchange of child immunization records, a patient’s medication history, and treatment records, among many other usages,” says Simone Pringle, President of Records for Living. “The demonstration will illustrate the ease and practicality of the electronic transmission of personal health information between patients and their healthcare providers, using CCR and CXP.”

### **About Records For Living, Inc.**

Records For Living, Inc. is a pioneer in the personal health information management industry. Records For Living, Inc. has released HealthFrame™ as an innovative solution to personal health management. Records For Living, Inc. also provides professional services to our health care provider partners to support the improved exchange of medical record information between providers and patients.

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### **About MedCommons**

MedCommons develops, markets and sells a national network for sharing authoritative patient medical information amongst doctors, hospitals and their patients MedCommons

medical record transport service, The Commons, is the first standards- based patient and physician-accessible network connecting Personal Health Records (PHR), Electronic Health Record (EHR) and national healthcare IT systems. To facilitate enterprise integration, MedCommons also supports Liberty Alliance standard single-sign-on protocols and DICOM standard radiology images.

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