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P & P Data Systems Gain ISO 13485 Certification

Major Step Forward for P & P Data - First EMR Vendor To Successfully Become ISO 13485 Certified



TORONTO, CANADA - (March 27, 2009) - P & P Data Systems (www.p-pdata.com), a leading developer of paperless solutions for the medical industry, today announced its successful ISO 13485 certification. This makes P & P Data Systems the industry's first and only organization of its kind to become ISO 13485 certified and is a major accomplishment for P & P Data Systems.

ISO 13485 is an ISO standard, published in 2003, that represents the requirements for a comprehensive management system for the design and manufacture of medical devices. There are numerous benefits that will accrue to P & P as well as its customers as a result of this certification:

ISO 13485 requires P & P establish and maintain a quality manual that details the scope of the quality management system, the documented procedures established for the QMS, and a description of the interaction between quality processes. This results in greater reliability and consistency of the company's product set. The benefits of writing a quality manual extend beyond compliance with requirements, since a manual is helpful in training personnel and as a quick reference during quality assessments.

ISO 13485 ensures P & P's continuous focus on customer requirements by ensuring top management determines and meets customer requirements. This involves a stronger focus on creating customer feedback tools and building customer input into the company's products' design, distribution and support. This benefits the company by improving its marketability and building customer loyalty.

ISO 13485 requires P & P's consistent attention to its risk management processes. The certification recognizes that risk management is a process that should be conducted throughout the product life cycle. While the standard does not go into specifics, it enables P & P to mitigate risks throughout all product realization stages. This helps the company eliminate potential product problems, identify trends, and consistently build improvements into its quality processes - managing patient care. It frees its users to focus on patient care and having immediate, paperless access to mission-critical information. In so doing it enhances best business practices in the medical community.

"We're delighted with having successfully completed our certification and having been stringently reviewed to ensure compliance," said Moshe Pinhas, President, P & P Data Systems. "As Canada's first EMR to have gained ISO 13485, it gives us a tremendous edge over our competitors. Most notably, it means that our processes have been refined time and time again resulting in unparalleled levels of customer service coupled with our ability to deliver the industry's best software."

About P & P Data Systems Inc.

Established in Toronto in 1982, P & P Data Systems Inc.'s early vision was to develop systems for physicians to improve and automate their billing processes. Today the company remains dedicated to serving the healthcare marketplace by developing systems that cater to every medical specialty. P & P provides highly skilled trainers and implementation specialists to lead clinical administrative staff into the new world of electronic record-keeping. With P & P's support, medical practices achieve their goals of enjoying cost-effective systems with advanced capabilities. These systems not only increase productivity but also deliver significant economies. For more information, please visit www.p-pdata.com