



University of California Davis Health System Selects Health Language, Inc. to Enrich Medical Informatics Applications

AURORA, CO USA – July 29, 2004 – Health Language, Inc., (HLI) the world's leading supplier of medical vocabulary and concept-based technology, today announced that University of California Davis Health System (UCD) has selected HLI's Language Engine Technology, LE™, to build and maintain the Davis Medical Terminology (DMT), a controlled medical vocabulary for use in clinical applications that supports the provision of health services, education, and research.

UCD was recently named one of the top 50 hospitals in America, according to the July 5 issue of U.S. News and World Report. Within the U.S. News rankings, UC Davis earned perfect scores for key technology-related services. Their commitment to technology underscores the importance of the selection of LE's sophisticated Lexscape modeling tool in both research and clinical application settings.

The LE technology supports improvements to patient needs assessments, enriches patient care and safety, and improves integrity of data within electronic medical records applications. The content offered, including SNOMED CT and various mappings to SNOMED CT is essential to entities such as UCD that are engaged in both research efforts and clinical applications.

"We appreciate that UCD is not only a leader in healthcare delivery, but also a leading academic institution as well and we are pleased to have LE support both their academic research programs and enable an expansion of the use of complex terminologies in their live clinical applications. Their clinicians will now be able to select SNOMED and other standardized data to improve patient safety and outcomes research," noted Dr. Brian Levy, M.D., Chief Medical Officer of HLI.

The HLI team will provide their expertise to guide UCD as they implement management of reference terminologies and UCD's extensions to populate clinical and research applications with a standardized clinical lexicon.

Evidence of the importance of these initiatives was substantiated this past week as HHS Secretary Tommy G. Thompson released the first outline of a 10-year plan to transform the delivery of health care by building a new health information infrastructure. Dr. Levy and other HLI team members participated in last week's National Health Information Infrastructure conference. According to Dr. Levy, "At this historic event, Secretary Thompson laid out a plan that will revolutionize the delivery of healthcare. Terminologies and other standards will play a critical role in the development of a national health infrastructure. Our work at HLI is aligned with implementing the NHII vision of interoperable health information expressed in the strategic plans discussed last week. HLI is committed to partnering with industry leaders to implement this vision.

George Schwend, President and CEO of HLI commented on the significance to the industry, "The explosion of medical and biological information has made it clear that innovative advances in storing, retrieving, and interpreting information are essential for health professionals. Our commitment to UCD is to support them through technology that will lead to higher data integrity along with documenting clinically useful, patient-specific information, which is key for the management of healthcare related matters."

About Health Language Inc.

Health Language, Inc. (HLI) services the worldwide healthcare industry through innovative software infrastructure technology and expertise. Effective and accurate clinical information is the objective of HLI's Language Engine™ (LE™) technology. LE enables the integrated and intelligent management of all enterprise health related terminology in a single environment, allowing local changes to be merged with periodic releases from standards bodies. HLI services the world's leading Healthcare IT vendors, clinical content providers, and national governments that have chosen the power of LE as their single terminology services solution for management and delivery of the multitude of disparate medical terminologies in use today. Health Language, Inc., is based in Aurora, Colorado, USA. Further information on Health Language, Inc is available at www.healthlanguage.com or by calling 303-307-4400.

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