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MedVirginia CEO and Wellogic CEO to Speak at 2007 AHIMA Convention and Exhibit in Philadelphia

MedVirginia Chief Executive Officer, Michael Matthews and Wellogic CEO, Sumit Nagpal have been invited to speak at **The 2007 AHIMA Convention and Exhibit** at The Philadelphia Convention Center, 1101 Arch Street, Philadelphia, PA, October 6 - 11, 2007. Their presentation: *Creative and Practical Solutions for Improving the Quality of Care through Community-Wide Health IT Adoption and Clinical Data Exchange* will be delivered Tuesday, October 09, 2007, at 4:30 p.m.

Regional health information organizations (RHIOs) such as MedVirginia are able to aggregate community-wide health information on a patient population and place a new generation of decision support and coordination tools in the hands of the care coordinator and provider. This presentation focuses on the experiences and lessons learned from the implementation of a community-wide health information exchange infrastructure in the Richmond, Virginia area. Creative yet practical solutions to health IT adoption and clinical data exchange will be explored, and attributes that make the RHIO-technology provider relationship successful will be discussed.

Focusing on change the 2007 AHIMA Convention and Exhibit presents exceptional opportunities to connect with and learn from key leaders who influence change in health information management. AHIMA is the premier association of health information management (HIM) professionals. AHIMA's 51,000 members are dedicated to the effective management of personal health information needed to deliver quality healthcare to the public. AHIMA is committed to advancing the HIM profession in an increasingly electronic and global environment through leadership in advocacy, education, certification and lifelong learning. For information about the Association go to www.ahima.org.

About MedVirginia

MedVirginia LLC, established in 2000, is a provider-owned organization based in Richmond, VA. Its organizational purpose is to improve quality, safety and efficiency through the use of health information technology. At its core is *MedVirginia SolutionSM*, a community-based health information exchange linking clinical data from physicians, hospitals, labs and pharmacies. In January 2006, MedVirginia's RHIO became operational, making it among the first "live" RHIOs in the U.S. On February 28, 2007 Governor Timothy M. Kaine announced that MedVirginia will receive funding from the Virginia Health Information Technology (HIT) Council for expansion of capabilities in central Virginia.

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