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THE VALLEY HOSPITAL SELECTS MERGE CTMS FOR ENTERPRISE CLINICAL TRIAL MANAGEMENT

Solution provides centralized study data and simplified study-build and budget analysis

Chicago, IL (September 12, 2013) Merge Healthcare Incorporated (NASDAQ: MRGE), a leading provider of clinical systems and innovations that seek to transform healthcare, today announced that The Valley Hospital selected Merge’s CTMS for Investigators solution to organize and centralize enterprise-wide clinical research operations.

“We needed a system that would allow us to centralize capture of study data for a large volume of studies,” said Sonia Kleiner-Arje, Director of Research Administration, Research Department at The Valley Hospital. “Our team specializes in oncology and cardiology studies, but the hospital is expanding to include studies across all therapeutic areas. As we evaluated the options, we selected Merge CTMS for Investigators because of the flexibility it offered to track all study types and the overall ease-of-use.”

“The system’s comprehensive budgeting features provide us with the insight needed to better negotiate with study sponsors before we decide whether to take on a study,” continued Kleiner-Arje. “Also important was the system’s flexible reporting options which allow us to quickly and easily report results to key stakeholders. We believe Merge CTMS will provide us with substantial business insight for our clinical research operations.”

“We are pleased that The Valley Hospital has selected Merge CTMS as a solution for their clinical research business and operational needs,” said Zaher El-Assi, President, eClinical at Merge. “Merge CTMS for Investigators delivers powerful results for any size research operation, and consolidates study information in one place. By implementing an enterprise-wide CTMS, The Valley Hospital is primed to streamline data collection and reporting, take control of study finances, improve the bottom line, and drive long-term site success.”
Through enhanced productivity and business management tools, Merge CTMS for Investigators allows research organizations to centralize study information, organize research activities, and improve recruitment and financial performance. Merge CTMS scales easily from one to many sites, offering a comprehensive suite of CTMS tools for independent research sites, physician networks, SMOs, hospitals, health systems and academic medical centers.

About Merge Healthcare
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About The Valley Hospital
The Valley Hospital is a fully accredited, acute care, not-for-profit hospital serving more than 440,000 people in 32 towns in Bergen County and adjoining communities. Valley is a leader in the field of cardiology services, including a full range of diagnostic and interventional cardiac treatment services, including cardiac surgery, coronary angioplasty and electrophysiology studies. Valley is also widely known for its excellence in lung cancer diagnosis and treatment, radiation oncology (including tomotherapy), chemotherapy and infusion, GYN oncology, prostate cancer care, and other clinical and support services. For more information, visit valleyhealth.com.

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