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Intercede Health Announces Partnership with St. Joseph Medical Center, Houston, TX

Intercede Health Hospitalist Program and Order Optimizer software product leveraged for quality, safety

HOUSTON TX—NOVEMBER 23 2010— Intercede Health, a privately held medical management company founded in 1996, announces the launch of their newest hospitalist program at St. Joseph Medical Center, Houston, Texas. The 10-physician group is focused on ensuring every patient receives high quality care in a safe and efficient setting.

“St. Joseph has served Houston for almost 125 years. We are excited to develop a hospitalist program that builds upon St. Joseph’s reputation of excellence while helping to prepare the facility to meet the new demands of Health Care reform,” says Intercede Health President and CEO, Gray Miller.

Hospitalists are physicians who specialize in managing the care of patients while in the hospital. Intercede Health’s hospitalist groups provide measurable improvements in clinical and financial outcomes for hospitals while offering patients and their families the benefits of accessible, coordinated care driven by evidence-based guidelines. The use of Order Optimizer software at St. Joseph’s further enhances patient safety and clinical best practices. Order Optimizer provides physicians with access to real-time medication alerts and treatment guidelines at the point of care.

“Our partnership with Intercede Health and the deployment of Order Optimizer demonstrates the Hospital’s ongoing commitment to its patients and physicians. St. Joseph is preparing for the future by implementing programs and tools that allow its physicians and employees to perform their work more efficiently so that patients receive more effective care,” says Pat Mathews, Chief Executive Officer at St. Joseph.

About Intercede Health

Intercede Health (IH) provides physicians, hospitals and health plans with innovative tools and services designed to improve the quality, safety, and efficiency of patient care. Intercede Health offers Hospitalist services, Accountable Care Organization support, Transitional Care Center and post-discharge programs, inpatient utilization review and Order Optimizer software. Visit www.intercedehealth.com for more information.

About St. Joseph Medical Center

St. Joseph Medical Center is downtown Houston’s general acute care hospital providing comprehensive health care to the community. As Houston’s first hospital and the state’s oldest teaching Hospital, St. Joseph Medical Center provides services for outpatients as well as inpatients, with a full continuum of care in surgery, cancer care, emergency care, women’s services, cardiovascular services, wound care, rehabilitation medicine, sports medicine and more. For more information on St. Joseph Medical Center, please call 713.757.1000.