



## Seattle-based Children's Hospital & Regional Medical Center Selects Isabel Diagnosis Reminder and Knowledge Mobilizing System to Improve Patient Safety

### *Leading hospital joins Isabel's growing list of global hospital customers*

Herndon, Va. (August 30, 2005) – Isabel Healthcare, Inc. today announced that Children's Hospital & Regional Medical Center (Seattle) will utilize the award-winning Isabel Diagnosis Reminder and Knowledge Mobilizing System to help improve patient safety. Through the use of the Web-based Isabel system, providers have real-time access to cutting-edge point of care resources, including a list of likely diagnoses for any given set of symptoms, signs and other clinical features. These resources help facilitate continuing education and decrease the opportunity for misdiagnosis, an important patient safety concern.

"I am impressed with the power of the Isabel system to remind physicians of a list of likely diagnoses. Isabel's ability to provide diagnosis-specific information very quickly will assist the quality of clinical decision making ", said Sidney M. Gospe, Jr., M.D., Ph.D., Head, Division of Neurology, Children's Hospital & Regional Medical Center.

Here's how the Isabel system works:

- Signs, symptoms and other clinical features are either entered by the provider through a direct Web interface with the Isabel system or extracted through a Web interface that is launched via an existing electronic medical record (EMR) system.
- The Isabel system immediately presents the provider with a list of likely diagnoses to consider. Clicking on each diagnosis gives the provider real-time access to the most up-to-date diagnosis-specific information from textbooks (Quick Consult, Detailed Consult), journal abstracts (What's New, Lessons Learned) and annotated images to help corroborate decision making at the point of care.

"Most patient safety discussions focus on prescription and delivery of care errors, but misdiagnosis, either failed or delayed diagnosis, is an equally important patient safety concern," said Joseph Britto, M.D., co-founder and CEO of Isabel Healthcare, Inc. "We applaud Children's commitment to enhancing patient safety and look forward to playing an integral role in this important initiative."

The development of Isabel's clinical decision support system was inspired by the misdiagnosis of co-founder Jason Maude's 3-year-old daughter, Isabel, at a London hospital. Isabel Maude nearly died of necrotising fasciitis as a complication of chicken pox.



### **About Children's Hospital & Regional Medical Center**

Consistently ranked as one of the best children's hospitals in the country by U.S. News & World Report and Child magazines, Children's serves as the pediatric referral center for Washington, Alaska, Montana and Idaho. Children's delivers superior patient care, advances new discoveries and treatments in pediatric research, and serves as the primary pediatric teaching site for the University of Washington School of Medicine.

### **About Isabel Healthcare, Inc.**

Isabel Healthcare's Diagnosis Reminder and Knowledge Mobilizing System helps providers improve patient safety and quality of care by reducing misdiagnosis and decision errors. The Isabel system can be delivered via a Web interface launched through an existing electronic medical record (EMR) system or Web portal, or via a direct Web interface, and is currently being used by hospitals and educational institutions in the United States and abroad. For more information about Isabel Healthcare visit [www.isabelhealthcare.com](http://www.isabelhealthcare.com).

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