



## **Cerner Millennium PowerChart/PowerWorks EMR Receives 2007 CCHIT Certification**

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Software Complies with 100 Percent of Updated 2007 Certification Criteria

KANSAS CITY, Mo.--(BUSINESS WIRE)--May 6, 2008--The Certification Commission for Healthcare Information Technology (CCHIT(R)) announced that Cerner's (NASDAQ: CERN) 2007 Cerner Millennium(R) PowerChart(R)/PowerWorks(R) solution is CCHIT Certified(R), and meets the Commission's ambulatory electronic health record (EHR) criteria for 2007. Ambulatory EHRs are designed for physician offices and clinics where most Americans get their healthcare. CCHIT - an independent, nonprofit organization - is the Recognized Certification Body in the United States for certifying health information technology (HIT) products.

This certification, along with the inpatient certification we received earlier this year, provides our clients with the opportunity to use CCHIT Certified Cerner products in both the acute and the ambulatory care venues, said Shellee Spring, senior vice president of Cerner PowerWorks. In both settings, they can be assured that the Cerner certified products have met the rigorous requirements outlined by CCHIT.

In the second year of the program's operation, the criteria and testing have been significantly enhanced. The Commission added 96 criteria to the 151 original requirements from last year. As a CCHIT Certified product, Cerner Millennium PowerChart/PowerWorks EMR has been tested and passed inspection of 100 percent of a set of updated criteria for functionality, interoperability and security.

For 2007, the Commission raised the bar from the previous year's criteria. Ambulatory EHRs now must include electronic prescribing, demonstrate an ability to receive lab results, and show enhanced patient safety, quality and security features, said Mark Leavitt, M.D., Ph.D., chair, CCHIT. Investment in 2007 certified ambulatory EHRs gives providers even more powerful tools to improve quality, safety and efficiency while protecting the privacy of health information.

The CCHIT Certified mark -- a seal of approval for EHR products -- provides the first consensus-based, government-recognized benchmark for ambulatory EHR products. By looking to products with the CCHIT Certified seal, physicians and other providers can reduce their risk in selecting an EHR product, allowing them to focus their evaluation on the special needs of their practices.

CCHIT's certification compliance criteria and its design for a certification inspection process have been thoroughly researched, taking into account the state-of-the-art of EHRs and available standards, and comparing certification processes in other industries and other countries. The inspection process is based on real-life medical scenarios designed to test products rigorously against the clinical needs of providers and the quality and safety needs of healthcare consumers and payers. One script, for example, recreates a scenario of an elderly man with poorly controlled diabetes, hypertension and other chronic conditions in order to test EHR functions such as potential adverse drug reactions, disease management and treatment plans.

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