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NEXTGEN® EHR AND ELMHURST CLINIC RECOGNIZED AS WINNERS OF MICROSOFT HUG 2009 INNOVATION AWARDS

Horsham, Pa. – April 7, 2009 – NextGen Healthcare Information Systems, Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of Quality Systems, Inc. (NASDAQ: QSII) and a leading provider of healthcare information systems and connectivity solutions for physicians and medical groups, today announced that it has been recognized as a winner of the Microsoft Healthcare Users Group (MS-HUG) 2009 Innovation Awards in the category of Clinical Care – Ambulatory Records. The award was presented jointly to Elmhurst Clinic, a multi-specialty medical group in DuPage County, Ill., for its use of NextGen EHR (Electronic Health Records) to improve patient care, streamline administrative workflow, increase productivity and collaboration, and decrease costs in an ambulatory care setting. The companies were honored yesterday at an awards ceremony held at the Healthcare Information and Management Systems Society (HIMSS) Annual Conference & Exhibition in Chicago.

Elmhurst Clinic, which is affiliated with Elmhurst Memorial Healthcare, implemented the NextGen EHR product in 2005 – along with the NextGen EPM (Enterprise Practice Management) product – to address the industry’s call to improve quality metrics and reduce the cost of healthcare. Through use of the NextGen technology, Elmhurst Clinic has realized the following quality of care benefits:

- **Interoperability:** Because NextGen EHR serves as the hub for interoperable technologies, comprehensive patient information is available to providers, resulting in well-informed decision making. A lab interface produces rapid results – at times providers have called a patient on their cell phones with results before he or she even reached home. Links between the hospital and ambulatory systems allow providers to pull information up on their computer screens, document approval electronically and append data to the patient record.
- **Disease Management:** Providers have access to extensive clinical information from a multitude of sources at their fingertips during a patient encounter. They are able to review recent lab and radiology reports, for example, and easily identify services that are overdue (e.g., retinal exams, cancer screening). Elmhurst’s outreach technology interfaces directly with NextGen EHR, extracting care management information according to established protocols. During the last quarter of 2008, Elmhurst booked 1,650 appointments directly resulting from automated outreach.



In addition, Elmhurst Clinic has achieved extensive quantifiable benefits through its use of NextGen technology, including:

- Increasing the number of providers by 44 percent and charges by more than 38 percent. At the same time, the group held total accounts receivables steady, and reduced insurance aging older than 120 days by 49 percent and patient aging balance older than 120 days by 78 percent.
- Increasing monthly charges by \$1.3 million, while increasing total non-clinical support staff by only eight full-time equivalents.
- Reducing the number of chart pulls to fewer than 70 per day (from 2,000), totaling more than 400,000 annually. Related HIM staff cost per provider dropped by 60 percent.
- Converting 2,700 square feet from paper storage to revenue-producing office space - the equivalent of eight exam rooms.

"We are proud to partner with NextGen and utilize the Microsoft platform," said Mary Stull, vice president of the physician practice division for Elmhurst Memorial Healthcare and chief operating officer of the Elmhurst Clinic. "The interconnected technologies are resulting in improvement across all metrics, patient satisfaction, financial performance and physician recruitment to mention just a few."

"In today's challenging economic times, health providers are doing whatever they can to drive better operational outcomes, while still improving the overall quality of care," said Chris Sullivan, U.S. health providers industry solutions director, Microsoft Corp. "NextGen's work at Elmhurst Clinic is a great example of how technology built on the Microsoft software platform can not only create efficiencies through the seamless integration of data, but also ultimately improve patient satisfaction and overall care."

Now in their 12th year, the MS-HUG Annual Awards reward excellence in healthcare technology and showcase organizations that promote breakthroughs by enhancing the quality of patient care, reducing costs, streamlining clinical and business processes, driving interoperability, improving productivity and workflow, and enabling informed decisions, as well as independent software vendor (ISV) solutions that demonstrate the best use of Microsoft technology to drive results in the healthcare industry. Award contestants are evaluated on how they provide significant business benefits to healthcare organizations and improve patient care.



About NextGen Healthcare

NextGen Healthcare Information Systems, Inc. a wholly owned subsidiary of Quality Systems, Inc. (NASDAQ: QSII), provides integrated electronic health record and practice management systems, connectivity solutions, and billing services for hospitals and ambulatory practices of all sizes and specialties. For more information about NextGen, please visit www.nextgen.com and www.qsii.com.

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