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## **NextGen® EMR Receives 2008 CCHIT Certification**

*NextGen EMR version 5.5.27 complies with enhanced interoperability requirements*

Horsham, Pa. – October 1, 2008 – NextGen Healthcare Information Systems, Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of Quality Systems, Inc. (NASDAQ: QSII) and a leading provider of ambulatory healthcare information systems and connectivity solutions, today announced the Certification Commission for Healthcare Information Technology (CCHIT®) has approved NextGen EMR version 5.5.27, as a CCHIT Certified® 08 Ambulatory EHR. According to CCHIT, NextGen Healthcare's product meets the Certification Commission's electronic health record (EHR) criteria for office-based use. The Commission – a private, nonprofit organization – is the Recognized Certification Body in the United States for certifying health information technology products.

In the third year of the program's operation, the criteria and testing have been significantly updated again to provide physicians with more assurance that certified products will meet their needs. The Commission also added 19 criteria to the 200 required in 2007. Those changes were focused on the ability to exchange patient information with other systems. A CCHIT Certified 08 Ambulatory EHR ensures:

- Additional electronic prescribing features (access to the patient's medication history, formulary, and eligibility).
- Safer medication dosing, adjusted for patient weight and other factors.
- Better ability to prevent adverse reactions due to drug interactions or allergies.
- Use of standard formats to exchange basic patient information for continuity of care.
- Enhanced ability to view x-rays and other diagnostic images.
- Better management of patient consents and authorizations.
- Increased use of standard formats when receiving and storing laboratory results.

As a 2008 CCHIT Certified product, NextGen EMR has been tested and passed inspection of 100 percent of these new criteria.

Also, in addition to the standard Ambulatory EHR certification, the Commission added two additional levels of certification – Child Health and Cardiovascular. NextGen Healthcare is



currently one of only two vendors that have completed both the Child Health certification and the Cardiovascular Health certification.

"Two key new areas of interoperability are required to achieve 2008 certification," said Mark Leavitt, M.D., Ph.D., chair, CCHIT. "First, ambulatory EHRs must be capable of advanced electronic prescribing functions so physicians can qualify for bonuses under Medicare's new incentive program. Second, EHRs must be able to send and receive an electronic patient summary. These and other new criteria will ensure that certified health IT products help improve quality, safety and efficiency while protecting the privacy of health information."

"We work hard to make sure that our NextGen EMR product possesses the innovative functionality needed to pass rigorous, industry-accepted testing, and receiving CCHIT certification for the third year in a row is certainly acknowledgement of that work," said Patrick Cline, president of NextGen Healthcare. "It is our belief that health care providers and organizations should insist that their product of choice meets or exceeds the elevated standards presented in CCHIT's 2008 criteria."

The CCHIT Certified "seal of approval" for EHR products provides a 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.

#### **About NextGen Healthcare**

NextGen Healthcare Information Systems, Inc. a wholly owned subsidiary of Quality Systems, Inc. (NASDAQ: QSII), develops and markets computer-based practice management and electronic medical records systems for medical group practices and Healthcare Systems. For more information about NextGen, please visit [www.nextgen.com](http://www.nextgen.com) and [www.qsii.com](http://www.qsii.com).

#### **About CCHIT**

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