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Infinity HomeCare Selected to Participate in Yale Patient Experience Hackathon

Infinity HomeCare, L.L.C., is excited to announce its participation in the Spring 2015 **Patient Experience Hackathon: Improving Recovery and Reducing Readmissions**, to be held at Yale University from March 27th to 29th. This event will bring together patients, providers, payers, engineers, data scientists and entrepreneurs. This weekend-long event will serve as a foundation for disruptive ideas that can positively shape the patient experience and reduce readmission rates for the future.

“We are pleased to have been invited to this event, as the sole representative of the home care industry,” said Shannon Abbott, Infinity’s Senior Vice President, Clinical Strategies and Chief Commercial Officer. “We firmly believe that home care is a key part of the solution to our health care system challenge, particularly when it comes to managing chronic diseases in a more effective and efficient manner, in the face of an aging population that is living longer than ever before.”

Infinity has developed a number of Patient Empowerment Programs that demonstrate this to be the case. Its two initial Patient Empowerment Programs – *Congestive Heart Failure (CHF)* and *Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Diseases (COPD)* – have been shown to be extremely effective at preventing rehospitalizations (measured within 60 days of discharge). With the implementation of these programs, Infinity’s patient outcomes have been much better than national averages, as measured by rehospitalization rates – a key patient outcome indicator. The CHF rehospitalization rate is 4.2% for Infinity (vs. 16% national average); the COPD reshospitalization rate is a remarkable 2.21% for Infinity (vs. 16% national average).

“We are proud of our clinical staff who have delivered these great results, and happy that Infinity is having such a positive impact on the lives of Floridians who are learning to better manage their chronic diseases, and, as a result, enjoying a better quality of life,” said Steve Karasick, Infinity’s President and CEO.

Participants in the Yale event will be challenged to develop tools and strategies to improve the patient experience and reduce hospital readmissions. In addition, there will be a Data Marathon Track in which teams will build digital tools and analytics that leverage data and expertise on readmission from the Yale Center for Outcomes Research. Infinity representatives will have an opportunity to present information on their Patient Empowerment Program results, as well as judge the concepts developed by the participants. **The Patient Experience Hackathon** event is led jointly by the Yale Center for Biomedical and Interventional Technology (CBIT), the Yale Center for Outcomes Research and Evaluation (CORE), the University of Connecticut and Hacking Medicine MIT.

To learn more about Infinity's results, go to: www.infinityhc.com/results/

To learn more about the Yale Patient Experience Hackathon, go to: www.cbitcorehack.org/