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FirePrograms Announces Integration with emsCharts Patient Care Reporting Software

Partnership combines product and industry expertise for Fire and EMS

Ocala, Florida – May 09, 2011 – FirePrograms Software announces a collaborative partnership integrating their records management software to emsCharts web-based EMS patient data collection system. The new interaction between the two systems streamlines data entry for fire and EMS incident reporting, offering enhanced Patient Care Record management capability for FirePrograms users. The interface between FirePrograms and emsCharts provides two-way data transfer between the systems, enabling FirePrograms users to utilize emsCharts software from within their familiar FirePrograms desktop. emsCharts offers a wide variety of software and services including Medical Records, Quality Assurance, Billing, Human Resources, Outreach and Collaboration for EMS providers.

Departments that respond to fire incidents and treat patients from First Responder through Advanced Life Support (ALS) service levels complete separate reports for the fire incident and pertinent patient care activity. By connecting the FirePrograms NFIRS compliant incident record to emsCharts NEMIS Gold compliant patient data collection and management program, users will not need to duplicate data entry efforts.

New FirePrograms functionality allows a user to import Patient Care Record (PCR) data into a newly created Fire Incident report, linking the two reports and eliminating duplicate data entry. The user can simply click an "Import Patient Care" button on the incident record entry form to initiate the PCR data import and link the PCR(s) to the fire report. Additionally, users can click

the EMS icon within the FirePrograms desktop that launches emsCharts in a browser and automatically logs the user into emsCharts.

“Our partnership with emsCharts adds a significant element to our full suite of fire records management software modules,” comments Gary Ewers, President of FirePrograms software. “With a direct interface into emsCharts, our nationwide users can enhance their current EMS reporting and leverage the full capability of emsCharts, all within their familiar FirePrograms records management software. As experts in fire incident reporting and fire service data management, we are excited to offer this new patient care reporting capability to our customers.”

“We have a large number of fire-based customers that require dual fire and EMS reporting, and have been asking for a streamlined solution,” comments Pete Goutmann, Vice President of emsCharts, Inc. “We are experts in EMS patient data collection and management. Fire reporting, much like EMS reporting, has its own variety of complexities and requires expertise in developing a product that can accommodate those complexities.” Goutmann continues, “emsCharts has always employed a ‘Best-of-Breed’ philosophy with our products and interfaces, and we are thrilled to have found a partner who shares our vision for Public Safety software.”

The collaborative functionality between FirePrograms and emsCharts, Inc. requires subscriptions to both services. The application link is available now and is currently being used by Fire and EMS agencies.

About FirePrograms Software

FirePrograms (www.fireprograms.com) is the nation’s premier provider of public safety Records Management Software solutions. Founded in 1981, FirePrograms software is installed in thousands of fire departments and EMS agencies nationwide. Investing heavily in technology, FirePrograms provides unique information management solutions to America’s Bravest. Recent product releases include enhanced GIS mapping, comprehensive scheduling software, a fire investigation module and the Link₂[®] emergency fleet data management system. FirePrograms has built a solid reputation on dependable technology and unparalleled service.

About emsCharts

emsCharts (www.emscharts.com) provides pre-hospital professionals with dynamic, state-of-the-art solutions for optimized patient health care, quality assurance and operational productivity. Developed in conjunction with and fully tested by medical and public safety professionals, emsCharts software products provide a total solution for a flat monthly fee.

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