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**HEALTH LANGUAGE AND EXITCARE PARTNER TO IMPROVE
AND AUTOMATE PATIENT EDUCATION AND DISCHARGE
INSTRUCTIONS**

DENVER & LAKE ELMO, Minn. – Oct. 2, 2008 – [Health Language, Inc.](#)®

(HLI) and [ExitCare](#), LLC, the leading enterprise-wide patient discharge instruction and education information company, today announced a partnership to expedite the ability of physicians to provide patients with immediate, accurate and comprehensive patient education and discharge instructions.

HLI, the world's leading supplier of language engine technology for medical vocabulary mapping and interoperability, will review and tag all of ExitCare's 3,300-plus titles with ICD-9-CM (and eventually [ICD-10-CM](#)), CPT-4 and SNOMED CT codes to enable physicians to immediately find the appropriate handout for each patient. HLI's Language Engine has the ability to automatically map ICD-9-CM codes to the mandated ICD-10-CM codes, ensuring a seamless transition.

"HealthLanguage is the ideal partner to ensure that we continue to meet the needs of physicians and patients in the U.S. as well as our growing market worldwide," said Chuck Krejci, chief operating officer of ExitCare. HealthLanguage already has a proven track record and significant footprint internationally where SNOMED has been more widely adopted. It is vital that all of our titles, which have been translated into eight languages, are coded correctly to ensure that physicians and patients receive the right information at the right time."

"We are pleased to work with a company that places the same premium on linking content to the most granular codes available," stated HLI CEO George Schwend. "Further enhancing the synergies of the partnership

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are the existing vendor relationships of both companies. ExitCare's products have been integrated with programs from many of the same vendors that use HLI's Language Engine to facilitate interoperability in inpatient and ambulatory care applications."

HLI's automated software tools will do the initial coding, which will then be reviewed in detail by HLI's clinician coding experts to ensure accurate tagging. This will guarantee that when physicians enter an ICD, CPT or SNOMED code or use an electronic health record to trigger a diagnosis or procedure code, they will receive the exact handout that a patient with a particular condition needs.

About ExitCare, LLC

ExitCare, LLC is a privately held company formed in 1996. ExitCare is a consumer healthcare information company providing enterprise-wide discharge instructions and patient education solutions, meeting the needs of office-based physicians, hospitals, and emergency departments. Common topics have been translated into Spanish, Russian, Portuguese, Bosnian, Tagalog, Haitian Creole and Vietnamese. The company plans to add French Canadian in 2008. ExitCare is installed in nearly 1,000 healthcare facilities in the U.S. For more information, visit www.exitcare.com, or contact Richard Thompson, EVP, at 303.681.0787 or rickt@exitcare.com.

About Health Language Inc.

Denver-based Health Language, Inc.[®] (HLI) develops and delivers state-of-the-art software solutions that automatically incorporate medical vocabulary and coding standards into healthcare information technology (HCIT) applications. HLI's Language Engine[®] (LE[®]) allows centralized access to medical terminology standards and generates mappings to create a common pool of standardized codes and concepts that enhance patient safety, facilitate clinical outcomes analysis and accelerate reimbursement. It also provides standards for modeling, storing, updating and distributing information consistently for interoperability between hospitals, regions and countries. For more information, visit www.healthlanguage.com or call 303.307.4400.

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