PRESS RELEASE



The RFID in Healthcare Consortium Announces Intelligent Hospital Award Recipients

First-ever Industry Awards
Recognize Leaders in Advanced Healthcare Technology Solutions

NEW YORK, January 23, 2013 — The <u>RFID in Healthcare Consortium</u> (RHCC) and <u>Intelligent Hospital.org</u> announced today the following awards and their recipients:

- Improving Regulatory Compliance was awarded to US Department of Veterans Affairs Veterans Integrated Service Network 11 (<u>VISN 11</u>) and Veterans Affairs Ann Arbor Healthcare System Sterile Processing Services (VAAAHS SPS). The recipients are VAAAHS SPS Chief, Robin McLeod and VISN 11 Biomedical Engineering Point of Contact, Michael McDonald (Indianapolis, IN).
- Most Innovative Use Case was awarded to <u>Group Health Cooperative</u> (Seattle, WA). The award will be received by Donnell Coomes, Enterprise Project Management, Senior Project Director.
- Improving the Patient Experience: Care and Safety was awarded to Florida
 Hospital Celebration Health (Celebration, FL). Ashley Simmons, Director,
 Performance Improvement Department, will receive the award for Florida
 Hospital.
- Best Comprehensive Integration was awarded to Oregon Health & Science
 University (Portland, OR). The recipients are Dennis Minsent, Director, Clinical
 Technology Services; Angela Baltz, Clinical Engineer; and Chris Coffman, Senior
 Applications Engineer, IT Healthcare Professional Services Applications.
- Two other outstanding nominations were recognized by the judges. The
 Finalists, Best Comprehensive Integration are <u>Kaiser Permanente</u> (Oakland,

CA) and <u>St. Joseph's Hospital</u> (Atlanta, GA). Scott C. Phillips is Principal, Wireless for Kaiser Permanente, and Lisa Stepps is Data Analyst for St. Joseph's Hospital Atlanta.

Award recipients have been invited to the Healthcare Information and Management Systems Society (<u>HIMSS13</u>) conference and exhibition to participate in the Intelligent Hospital Awards Ceremony, which will be held March 4, 2013, at 5:30pm in Booth 8711. During the event, recipients will be honored, and the **2013 RHCC/Intelligent Hospital Grand Award** will be announced. The grand award will be selected from the recipients of the four awards listed above.

The judges for the first annual Intelligent Hospital Awards are as follows: University of California-San Francisco Professor **Donna Hudson**; Georgia Tech Professor **Gisele Bennet**; University of Wisconsin Distinguished Researcher **Alfonso Gutierrez**; and *RFID 24-7* Journalist and Editor-in-Chief **John Johnson**.

Members of the Awards Committee are solution leaders from <u>Ascom</u>, <u>Capsule Tech</u>, <u>CareFusion</u>, <u>GE Healthcare</u>, <u>HP</u>, <u>Intelligent InSites</u>, <u>Lockheed Martin</u>, <u>MEPS Real-Time</u>, <u>Motorola Solutions</u>, <u>Skylight Healthcare</u>, <u>Skytron</u>, <u>Stanley Healthcare</u> (<u>AeroScout</u>) and WaveMark.

For more information about the awards, please visit <u>intelligenthospital.org/awards</u>.

About the RFID in Healthcare Consortium

The RFID in Healthcare Consortium (RHCC) is a not-for-profit, global organization founded to elevate awareness and to educate the Life Sciences community on the adoption of new technologies. The RHCC is an educationally focused, vendor neutral, technology and frequency agnostic, association dedicated to promoting the use and adoption of auto-ID, NFC, RFID, RTLS, sensors and wireless technologies in the healthcare, assisted and independent living and nursing home industries. For more information, please visit: www.rfidinhealthcare.org/rhcc/rfid-healthcare and www.intelligenthospital.org.

###

Media Contact:

Anne Olscher <u>aolscher@rfidinhealthcare.org</u> +1-705-778-5469