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**SUNQUEST INFORMATION SYSTEMS JOINS COMMONWELL HEALTH ALLIANCE TO SUPPORT
AND ADVANCE INTEROPERABILITY EFFORTS**

Tucson, AZ, July 24, 2013 – Today, the CommonWell Health Alliance announced Sunquest Information Systems has joined as one of the newest members of the organization. Sunquest joins members Allscripts, athenahealth, Cerner, Greenway Medical Technologies and McKesson and service provider RelayHealth in the Alliance’s work. CommonWell Health Alliance is a collaborative effort of health information technology suppliers that are focused on achieving interoperability and data liquidity between systems, in compliance with patient authorizations. The Alliance will define, promote and certify a national infrastructure with common platforms and policies. It also will ensure that Health IT products displaying the Alliance seal are certified to work on the national infrastructure.

“Sunquest is proud to be a member of CommonWell Health Alliance and excited to be part of this movement,” said Richard Atkin, President of Sunquest. “Lack of interoperability across laboratories, hospitals and ambulatory offices and difficulty in patient matching during that effort threatens the physical health of our population and impairs the efficiency and effectiveness of the health care system.”

“Health care IT providers are best positioned to achieve interoperability and eliminate care inefficiencies and unnecessary costs caused by health data fragmentation,” said Tee Green, president and chief executive officer of Greenway. “We must transform the current segregated and stifled health data landscape into one that creates universal access to relevant patient and consumer information. It’s time for HIT providers to come together and commit to achieving interoperability for the common good.”

Sunquest is the first member of the Alliance that is solely dedicated to health information technology services specific to laboratory and diagnostic facilities; the company works with 37 percent of hospitals in the United States. Today, laboratory results play a significant role in the medical treatments clinicians choose, with more than 70 percent of diagnostic decisions relying on these results.

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About CommonWell Health Alliance

CommonWell Health Alliance is anticipated to be an independent not-for-profit trade association of health IT companies that will work together to create universal access to health care data. The Alliance will be open to all health information technology providers who are committed to making patient's data available to themselves and providers regardless of where care occurs. Alliance members will support the belief that provider access to this data must be built into health information technologies at a reasonable cost for use by a broad range of health care providers and the populations and people they serve.

The members of CommonWell Health Alliance invite all HIT suppliers to join us in working together to provide seamless, trusted access to health information, in support of better, more cost-effective care for our patients and communities.

To learn more about the CommonWell Health Alliance, please visit www.commonwellalliance.org, and read [CommonWell Community](#) blog. Also follow CommonWell on Twitter at [@CommonWell](#) and like the Alliance's Facebook [page](#).

About Sunquest Information Systems

Sunquest is the market leader in the laboratory, delivering diagnostic information technology and outreach solutions designed to fulfill the business objectives of today's healthcare leaders. Sunquest is committed to providing comprehensive solutions that deliver quality diagnoses, optimize efficiency, improve patient safety, and respond to a changing market. With more than 30 years of experience, Sunquest continues to be the chosen partner for more than 1700 laboratories and over 300,000 end users worldwide. Sunquest serves the global marketplace with reliable technology for mission critical applications, enabling providers to deliver optimal care across their network. Sunquest has redefined the lab, empowering its partners to turn results into knowledge.

To learn more about Sunquest's involvement with the CommonWell Health Alliance, please click [here](#).

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