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OAK PARK, MI, Jan. 30, 2007 - Vertabase, a leading developer of project management software, today announced that Patients' Hospital of Redding, California, an acute care hospital that specializes in surgery and pain management, has further elevated patient care by accelerating project completion through the implementation of Vertabase Pro software.

Vertabase Pro offers project management tools for non-technical users to organize people and projects by simplifying, centralizing and accelerating access to critical up-to-date information. Vertabase Pro facilitates superior management by providing a framework for increased productivity.

As a specialty hospital with a low staff-to-patient ratio, Patients' Hospital is dedicated to delivering the highest quality of patient care. In order to be successful, Patients' Hospital - and the healthcare sector, in general - strives to contain resource allocation to non-core activities, specifically administration. The hospital's approach to project management exemplifies this strategy.

Previously, managing the various tasks of a team of 80 people was centralized in the hands of small management team. When it came to interdepartmental collaboration - for example, creating a hospital policy in response to new regulations and standards, it was challenging to react quickly.

With an average of 350 projects ongoing at any given time, Patients' Hospital made the decision to update its approach to project management. After a comparative analysis of existing project management software solutions, Patients' Hospital selected and implemented Vertabase Pro in September 2006.

"Before we implemented this solution, it would take 30 to 45 days to complete a typical project," said Demetra Neely, Medical Staff Coordinator, Patients' Hospital. "Now, thanks to Vertabase Pro, projects are being delivered in about half that time.

This increase in management efficiency enables us to focus an even higher percentage of available resources to our central mission of providing the best patient care possible."

"Currently, we are using Vertabase Pro to track which projects are assigned to which managers. Vertabase Pro functions very harmoniously with our existing management benchmarks. Each manager has weekly, monthly and annual tasks that are evaluated in terms of on-time completion. With Vertabase Pro, the administration of these benchmarks is much simpler. Project issues, notes and completion dates are now inputted by each user and the Hospital Administrator receives notification each time a project is modified or completed. I like the fact that Vertabase Pro facilitates direct communication among users. Furthermore, the feedback has been excellent. After overcoming an initial learning curve, even people with very limited computer literacy appreciate the benefits of Vertabase Pro," Ms. Neely concluded.

About Patients' Hospital

Patients' Hospital is an acute care hospital that specializes in surgery, pain management and other procedures. Located in beautiful Redding, California, less than five minutes from Interstate 5 and surrounded by majestic mountains and lakes, Patients' Hospital offers superb medical care with special attention to comfort and relaxation. For more information, visit www.patientshospital.com.

About Vertabase

Vertabase's flagship product, Vertabase Pro, is a best-in-class project management software solution. Vertabase Pro's unique design makes powerful, results-oriented project management tools accessible to non-technical enterprise users. Vertabase Pro features include advanced resource planning, project tracking, time tracking, project dashboards and comprehensive document management. Vertabase's clients include ABN Amro, Bailey Engineering Group, City of Fresno, Commerce Bancshares, Datanet Engineering, Ives Creative, Laureate Education, Mercer Insurance Group, Plymouth Rock, Samson Investment Company, Shore Bank, Unifund, Vector Geomatics, Vicor Power and Washington State Department of Health. Founded in 1997, Vertabase is headquartered in Oak Park MI. For more information, please call (888) 505-0566, write contact@vertabase.com or visit www.vertabase.com.