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WOOLWICH, MAINE: Linda Sullivan, president of the medical transcription firm NEMT, is proud to announce that the company has joined the Health Story Project.

The Health Story Project is a collaborative effort by transcription firms, healthcare providers and associations to standardize the way medical records are created and shared.

“All of us here at NEMT are very excited to participate in the Health Story Project,” said Sullivan. “This ground-breaking initiative will totally revolutionize the health information industry and will make electronic medical record systems even safer and more efficient.”

Andrew Clarke, NEMT's director of information technology, said the challenge currently is that each healthcare provider wants reports transcribed in a different way: for instance, some describe the patient and their symptoms in paragraph form and some list pertinent information as bullet points.

The Health Story Project will change that by creating a standardized format for all reports based on the type of report.

“The idea is to define a standard set of data elements and tag these elements in each document,” Clarke said. “That way everybody can exchange information accurately and easily.”

As a member of the Health Story Project, NEMT is providing input as the alliance develops standards for clinical records. NEMT is also helping to act as an ambassador for the project; and once the standards are published, NEMT will be an early adopter of this revolutionary technology.

About NEMT

NEMT is one of the nation's top providers of medical transcription services. With a workforce of more than 250, NEMT guarantees a 98-percent accuracy rate on its accounts. The company is a corporate member of both AHDI and MTIA and has been recognized as an Inc. 5000 fastest-growing company for the last four years. For more information, contact Rick Bisson at 207-522-3530 or visit www.nemtinc.com.

About the Health Story Project

Health Story is an alliance of healthcare vendors, providers and associations that have pooled resources over the last three years in a rapid-development initiative to produce data standards for the flow of information between common types of healthcare documents and electronic health records. For more information, visit www.healthstory.com.

