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Meta Health Technology Names Barbara Hinkle-Azzara Chief Product Strategist

New York, NY – Meta Health Technology, a full-service provider of health information management solutions, announced that Barbara Hinkle-Azzara, RHIA, has joined the company as Chief Product Strategist, a newly-created position. She is responsible for the overall direction and functionality of the company's product line.

Ms. Hinkle-Azzara brings to her Meta assignment 20 years of experience in health information management at major New York City healthcare institutions. Prior to joining Meta, she was Director of Health Information Management at Lenox Hill Hospital, where she was instrumental in the hospital's successful revenue cycle improvement process and service excellence/leadership development and training initiatives. Barbara also held a key role in the implementation of Lenox Hill's Computerized Physician Order Entry system. She has held other senior HIM management positions at Beth Israel Medical Center, St. Luke's/Roosevelt Hospital Center, and St. Vincent's Hospital and Medical Center.

According to Eli Nahmias, President and CEO of Meta Health Technology, "Through her years of experience in managing HIM departments, Barbara has in-depth knowledge of their day-to-day needs, as well as an understanding of the challenges they will be facing in the future. These departments are dealing with never-ending regulatory changes, such as the new MS-DRG system, as well as and the adoption of the EMR, which will require ongoing changes in department work processes. With Barbara on board, we have a product champion who will help Meta to maintain its leadership position in product design, and also to educate clients in the best practices for using software for better department management."

About Meta Health Technology

Meta Health Technology is a full-service provider of health information management solutions for hospitals, physician group practices, long-term care facilities and HMOs. Headquartered in

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New York City, the company has served the healthcare industry exclusively for 29 years. Meta's clients range from small community hospitals to many of the largest and most prestigious medical facilities across the United States and in Canada. The company provides a level of client service that is unmatched in the industry.

Meta's CHARMS 2000™ is a comprehensive suite of HIM applications designed to automate and augment critical HIM functions, including abstracting and coding, chart tracking, deficiency management, release of information, document management, electronic medical record, electronic signature and department management.

More information about Meta Health Technology is available on the Internet at www.metahealth.com, or by calling 800-334-6840.

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