BUFFALO, N.Y., May 05, 2010 (BUSINESS WIRE) -- CTG (NASDAQ: CTGX), an international IT solutions and services company, today announced it was selected by the Texas Health Services Authority (THSA) to assist in the development of strategic and operational plans to implement electronic health information networks that will support higher quality, safer, and more efficient healthcare throughout the State of Texas. CTG will work with the THSA to develop and facilitate a planning process that addresses the five critical domain areas for health information exchanges (HIEs): governance, finance, technical infrastructure, business and technical operations, and legal/policy.

"CTG is pleased to partner with the THSA on this important initiative to plan the implementation of statewide HIEs in Texas," said CTG Chairman and CEO James R. Boldt. "We are looking forward to working closely with the THSA to establish an open and collaborative planning process that engages diverse stakeholders including clinicians, IT professionals, and administrators. This approach will ensure a high functioning, sustainable statewide HIE network that will be focused on integrated patient-centered care and operational efficiency."

"The THSA looks forward to working with CTG and health care stakeholders in Texas to develop strategic and operational plans for HIEs in the State of Texas," said Manfred Sternberg, President of the Board of Directors of the THSA. "Our goal is to improve the quality, safety, and efficiency of the Texas health care sector while protecting individual privacy."

Michael J. Colson, CTG Senior Vice President, Solutions, also commented "As an early entrant in the HIE arena, CTG brings to this engagement the knowledge and experience to lay a solid groundwork for building an HIE organization that will help clinicians meet meaningful use criteria for federal stimulus funds while improving the quality and efficiency of clinical care. With a dedicated HIE consulting practice, CTG is well qualified to help statewide and regional HIE organizations with initiatives that range from planning and design to systems selection and implementation."

CTG’s understanding and expertise in healthcare systems, processes, and operations is grounded in 20 years of providing healthcare IT services to hundreds of healthcare providers. In 2009, CTG was ranked as the eighth largest healthcare management consulting company by Modern Healthcare and were also named to the Top 100 Healthcare IT Providers by Healthcare Informatics. CTG was recently cited in Information Week as one of the top three firms for healthcare organizations looking for help in implementing electronic medical records and other health IT investments.

About CTG

CTG develops innovative IT solutions to address the business needs and challenges of companies in several higher-growth industries including healthcare, energy, and technology services. As a leading provider of IT and business consulting solutions to the healthcare market, CTG offers hospitals, physician groups, and regional health information exchanges a full range of electronic medical record services. Additionally, CTG has developed for the healthcare provider and payer markets unique, proprietary software solutions that support better and lower cost healthcare. CTG also provides managed services IT staffing for major technology companies and large corporations. Backed by nearly 45 years’ experience, proprietary methodologies, and an ISO 9001-certified management system, CTG has a proven track record of delivering high-value, industry-specific solutions. CTG’s IT professionals are based in an international network of offices in North America and Western Europe. CTG posts news and other important information on the Web at www.ctg.com.

About THSA

The Texas Legislature created the THSA in 2007 as a public-private partnership, legally structured as a nonprofit corporation, to promote and coordinate the development of HIE in Texas. A 13-member Board of Directors appointed by the Governor of Texas with the advice and consent of the Texas Senate governs the THSA.