



## **American CareSource Holdings Adds Independent Medical Systems to Client Portfolio**

### ***Client addition provides opportunity to lower healthcare costs for 100,000 Independent Medical Systems' covered lives***

DALLAS, Sep 08, 2009 (BUSINESS WIRE) -- American CareSource Holdings, Inc. (Nasdaq: ANCI), the nation's leading ancillary health care system, announced today that it has signed a new client service agreement with Independent Medical Systems (IMS), a Texas-based "best in class" preferred provider organization (PPO).

"The addition of Independent Medical Systems to our client portfolio has provided us with an opportunity to improve the costs of ancillary care services to over 100,000 of IMS covered lives," said David Boone, President and Chief Executive Officer of American CareSource.

"Independent Medical Systems' concentration on quality of care, customer service and strong relationships with providers and payors, provide a compelling offering of high quality, Multi-Level Managed Care Services to the market place. This combined with our proven ability to reduce the costs of ancillary care, enhances both our commitment to provide the best quality healthcare at the lowest cost to the patient," added Boone.

"The heart of what we provide and do at IMS is driven by a philosophy of customer service, which penetrates every aspect of our business," said David Rendall, Chief Executive Officer of Independent Medical Systems. "With the addition of the 30,000 Ancillary Care Services provider sites our, PPO has grown to over 70,000 contracted providers including over 40,000 physicians and 500 hospitals. We are very excited to add Ancillary Care Services' 31 service categories to our network."

#### **About American CareSource Holdings, Inc.**

American CareSource Holdings, the first national, publicly traded ancillary care network services company, offers a comprehensive national network of over 4,000 ancillary service providers at more than 30,000 sites through its subsidiary, Ancillary Care Services. Ancillary Care Services provides ancillary health care services through its network that offers cost effective alternatives to physician and hospital-based services. This market is estimated at \$574 billion and has grown to 30% of total national health expenditures. These providers offer services in 31 categories including laboratories, dialysis centers, free-standing diagnostic imaging centers, non-hospital surgery centers, as well as durable medical equipment such as orthotics and prosthetics and others.

The Company's ancillary network and management provides a complete outsourced solution for a wide variety of health care payors and plan sponsors including self-insured employers, indemnity insurers, PPOs, HMOs, third party administrators and both federal and local governments. For additional information, please visit [www.anci-care.com](http://www.anci-care.com).

#### **About Independent Medical Systems**

Founded in 1989, the IMS mission has always been to offer the highest quality, customer driven, and outcomes based Texas PPO Services possible. IMS, in combination with strategic partners such as American CareSource Holdings, creates integrated, flexible, quality solutions for health-plan management and claims-paying needs. Additionally, IMS uses the latest in Internet technologies to speed their claims processing efforts with EDI capabilities, real-time turnaround, HIPAA compliance, and a suite of standard and ad-hoc reporting. For additional information on IMS, please visit [www.imsppo.com](http://www.imsppo.com).

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