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**PHG Technologies Participates in Healthcare M&A Conference**

October 20, 2005 (Brentwood, TN) – PHG Technologies, a leader in patient identification software and products for the healthcare industry, is pleased to announce its participation in the 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Healthcare M&A Corporate Development Conference. PHG Technologies Vice President of Information Services Rick Wilkerson was invited to be a panelist for the October 17-18 event.

The conference was sponsored by Strategic Research Institute, and Wilkerson's panel focused on healthcare IT issues such as RFID and electronic medical records. In addition, Wilkerson and other participants discussed the impact technology has had and will continue to have on healthcare. The panel reviewed issues such as the effect political influence has on spending and awareness of healthcare needs, as well as trends like the recently low spending on healthcare IT, but probable increase in the future.

Wilkerson brings over 20 years of technological product experience to the conference. He oversees the development and implementation of PHG Technologies' flagship product, EasyID, which is installed in hundreds of hospitals across the country. He has taught at the university level, and holds a master's degree in computer information services.

The 3rd Annual Healthcare M & A and Corporate Development Conference was held in Nashville, TN and brings together leading investors, healthcare executives and bankers to share their perspectives regarding issues facing the healthcare industry today.

PHG Technologies was founded in 1990 with the goal of improving hospital efficiencies through technology. It is best known for its patient identification product, EasyID. EasyID is a patient identification and electronic forms management system, which helps hospitals address today's high profile healthcare issues of patient safety and electronic medical records. PHG Technologies ([www.phgtechnologies.com](http://www.phgtechnologies.com)) is based in Brentwood, Tennessee, and has over 1,000 software modules installed in hospitals across America.

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