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heartbase now supports PHC4

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Heartbase is pleased to announce that we now support the Pennsylvania Health Care Cost Containment Council (PHC4) Cardiac Surgery Registry. PHC4 is an independent state agency that addresses the problem of escalating health costs, ensures the quality of health care, and increases access to high quality, affordable care for all citizens.

Established in 1986, PHC4 has become an industry leader in cardiac research and treatment. Among their accomplishments:

- 1989: Issued *The Hospital Effectiveness Report*, the first state agency-issued hospital report card
- 1991: Published *Small Area Analysis*, the nation's first geographic-based study.
- 1996: Published the seminal study *Treatment for a Heart Attack*, the first-ever compilation of physician outcomes for heart attack treatments.
- 2000: Released *Guide to Commercial Managed Care Plans*, combing clinical outcomes with prevention and patient satisfaction scores.
- 2012: Issued the most comprehensive report on hospital readmissions in the country.

According to PHC4 Executive Director Joe Martin, “PHC4 is frequently referred to as one of the best of its kind...the agency and its supporters have played a crucial role in promoting health care transparency over the past 30 years.”

Heartbase's support of PHC4 Cardiac Surgery will eliminate redundant collection of data with the STS Adult Cardiac registry, allowing a streamlined submission to both registry bodies.

About heartbase, Inc.

The hbCOR solution gives clients full control of valuable hospital-owned clinical data (ACC-NCDR, STS, CMS, GWTG, The Joint Commission, VQI, and more) to bring performance in line with national standards, generate dictationless procedure notes, comply with registry requirements, and identify and apply emerging best practices.

Introduced in 1992, heartbase™ continues to be at the forefront of data management and analytics. Installed nationwide in more than 180 prestigious institutions, heartbase™ actively collaborates with clients and members of the healthcare community to deliver a state of the art CVIS solution.