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Personal web-based patient medical file:

CompuGROUP vita-X patient file provides optimum data protection

Koblenz – 27 May 2009: Federal Data Protection Commissioner Peter Schaar demands compliance with the highest standards of data security. CompuGROUP Holding AG, one of the leading e-health service providers in the world, fulfils these requirements with its vita-X patient file.

Federal Data Protection Commissioner Peter Schaar recently addressed participants at a symposium on the telematics project in Hanover. Mr Schaar was quoted as follows in an article in the *Deutsches Ärzteblatt* of 22 May 2009: “Personal data are already collected on a large scale, by health insurers, pharmacies and physicians, for example.” He also noted strong pressure with respect to the storage of data on the web, but added that these data are afforded no technical or legal protection, such as anti-seizure protection.

With the vita-X patient file, CompuGROUP already offers a system that provides the best possible protection: a combination of tested and certified data security and anti-seizure protection systems.

vita-X: tested and certified data security

In collaboration with data protection auditors and IT security experts from the TÜV Saarland, the vita-X specialists subjected all data-related processes to a rigorous review – from data transmission to storage on central servers to the retrieval and recording of patient data. The result: vita-X not only meets but clearly exceeds the strict statutory security requirements and ensures systematic data security in accordance with the highest standards. A corresponding certificate of “Tested Data Security” was issued by the TÜV Saarland in the autumn of 2008.

vita-X: anti-seizure protection

The vita-X technology provides optimum data security thanks to an anonymous, encrypted data storage system. In this way, patient data are protected against manipulation, theft and seizure. The technology was realized for the most part on the basis of patented methods of authentication and cryptography. Thanks to this innovative solution, it is technically impossible - even for administrators, insiders or confiscating institutions, to gain access to patient records. The vita-X security concept surpasses even the statutory anti-seizure protection requirements for physicians' surgeries.

“With the CompuGROUP vita-X patient file, all health service providers will be networked across sector boundaries and have immediate online access to relevant portions of a patient's medical data with the patient's consent. Thus vita-X offers an ideal opportunity to achieve further improvement in existing healthcare systems. The fact that we not only meet but actually exceed all legal and technical data security requirements is entirely in keeping with our policy”, says Uwe Eibich, Executive Vice President Central Europe of CompuGROUP Holding AG. “The vita-X patient file”, adds Eibich, “also provides an ideal basis for successful implementation. After all, CompuGROUP now reaches roughly 45% of all health service providers and some 330,000 physicians worldwide with its products.”

About CompuGROUP Holding AG

CompuGROUP is one of the leading e-health companies in the world. Its software products designed to support medical and organizational activities in physicians' surgeries and hospitals, its information services for all parties involved in the health sector and its Web-based personal medical files contribute to the development of a more reliable and efficient health service system. The basis for the services offered by CompuGROUP is an unparalleled customer base comprising some 326,000 physicians, dentists, hospitals and networks, as well as other service providers. CompuGROUP is the e-health company with the widest global reach among service providers. The firm operates in 14 European countries, Malaysia, Saudi Arabia, South Africa and the U.S. and currently employs roughly 2,700 people.