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Long-Term Care Facility Benefits From Connected Vital Signs Device, EHR Integration

*Welch Allyn partners with PointClickCare[®] to save time for providers,
help improve resident safety*

Skaneateles Falls, N.Y., June 30, 2015—The integration of connected vital signs devices and an EHR solution designed specifically for long-term care facilities is improving resident safety, and giving nurses at [Martin Luther Care Center](#) in Bloomington, MN more time to spend with their patients. Welch Allyn, a leading medical diagnostic device company that delivers pragmatic innovation at the point of care, has partnered with [PointClickCare[®]](#), the leading cloud-based software platform for the senior care market, to create a solution that is optimized for the senior care market. The arrangement allows the [Welch Allyn Connex[®] Vital Signs Monitor](#) (CVSM) to integrate with PointClickCare's EHR platform, automating vital signs data collection and enhancing analysis to streamline workflow and help senior care providers at Martin Luther and other facilities meet the needs of their clinicians and their residents in a very efficient way.

“We saved an estimated ten minutes per round at Martin Luther by integrating the Welch Allyn device directly into the PointClickCare EHR platform,” said Coral Lindahl, PointClickCare coordinator from Ebenezer / Fairview Care Centers. “Nurses can use this extra time to care for their patients, tend to other tasks and possibly cut down on overtime. Not to mention the residents are safer because the human error factor associated with writing down vital signs has been eliminated. Any time-saver we can give front line staff is valuable—and safety is the number one concern for all our residents. This solution addresses both critical needs.”

The integration of the Welch Allyn CVSM with PointClickCare's software will allow long-term care providers to wirelessly capture resident data on the device and transmit results directly to the electronic health record to help eliminate the need for manual data entry by providers, increase efficiency and alleviate the risk of transcription and latency errors. The device can capture and transmit automatic

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measurements such as heart rate, blood pressure, temperature and pulse oximetry as well as manual parameters such as height and weight, all in less than one minute. The Welch Allyn CVSM can be set up in wireless and/or wired configurations to accommodate facility needs.

“With immediate access to vital signs results data, long-term care providers are enabled to make better, faster decisions on the care plans of their residents,” said Doug Linquest, vice president, Vital Signs at Welch Allyn. “The ability to assess changes in medical conditions and have access to current resident data from anywhere on the facilities’ network facilitates overall better care delivery. By developing connectivity between the Welch Allyn CVSM electronic vital signs devices and PointClickCare’s EHR platform, we can help senior care providers meet the needs of their clinicians and their residents in a very efficient way.”

About Welch Allyn, Inc.

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