

## New Member & Member Update



Hospital for  
Special Care

*We Rebuild Lives.*

BEACON welcomes the Hospital for Special Care, New Britain, CT to its membership. As the only long-term acute-care hospital in the nation serving adults and children, the Hospital for Special Care is nationally recognized for advanced care and rehabilitation in the highly individualized and specialized areas of pulmonary care, acquired-brain injury, medically-complex pediatrics, neuromuscular care and spinal cord injury. Hospital for Special Care operates inpatient and outpatient facilities serving Southern New England on a not-for-profit basis.

Acute care hospitals treat specific medical issues on a short-term basis. As a long-term, acute care facility, Hospital for Special Care is committed to the ongoing treatment and rehabilitation of patients with chronic and complex conditions. According to their leadership, "the top, acute care hospitals in the region refer their patients to us for continued care and rehabilitation. Our commitment goes beyond rendering care for patients. We offer each patient and their families the opportunity to take an active part in rebuilding their lives. This includes individualized adaptation of the latest (and most appropriate) technology to assure the most independent and secure life possible, both patients and families."

For more information visit [www.hfsc.org](http://www.hfsc.org)



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### STEN-TEL and NLP International Corp. Announce Strategic Partnership

Springfield, MA – STEN-TEL has acquired license of NLP International's **MEDLEE™ Natural Language Processing (NLP)** technology for integration with medical transcription. NLP has created a universal SaaS portal to give medical transcription service organizations (MTSOs) and transcription technology platforms, like Sten-Tel's ASP, access to a broad range of applications designed to support automated, low-cost healthcare solutions for Interoperability, EHR Adoption and Meaningful Use. Sten-Tel plans to jointly advance these applications in cooperation with other MTSOs to widely enable the medical transcription industry to offer these valuable solutions to inpatient and outpatient health providers and organizations.

MedLee™ was developed over the course of twenty years by Columbia University and is a powerful patented NLP processing engine that automates analytics, reporting and alerting for outflows such as Core Measures, PQRI, Patient Summary review, coding and billing support, decision support, clinical trials, biological surveillance and more.

Sten-Tel is a national medical transcription and health data management organization offering patented transcription platform technology to medical transcription providers, hospitals and physician practices, among others. NLP International Corporation offers healthcare IT professionals a patented world-class product: MedLee™ - Medical Language Extraction and Encoding. NLP is located in Westport, CT. [www.nlpapplications.com](http://www.nlpapplications.com)

## SPECIAL POLICY SEMINAR ON FEDERAL HEALTHCARE REFORM



Jim Fasi, Sr. VP Investments, UBS Financial Services welcomes Tom Tremble, VP State Government Relations, AdvaMed and Jerry Brimeyer, Healthcare Sector Analyst, USB Financial Services to the UBS-sponsored event on federal healthcare reform.

Special thanks to UBS Financial Services in Hartford for co-sponsoring a BEACON Special Policy Seminar on the *Impact of Federal Healthcare Reform on the Medical Device Industry* held at the UBS Hartford offices on June 16<sup>th</sup>.



Attendees to the Policy Seminar

Presentations focused on the economic impact of the legislation on the medical device industry. Jerry Brimeyer from UBS presented an “economic analyst” perception of the impact of the Obama bill. He outlined expected outcomes for various sectors of the medical device industry. Tom Tremble from AdvaMed highlighted various parts of the law that will impact the industry especially the graduated tax structure on medical device manufacturers and the requirement of full disclosure by drug, device and biotech manufacturers of payments to physicians and teaching hospitals. For a copy of the presentations by both speakers, please contact Terri Wilson at BEACON at 860-547-1995 or [theresa.wilson@beaconalliance.org](mailto:theresa.wilson@beaconalliance.org)

## SAVE THE DATE NOW

Wednesday, September 15 – 5:30 – 8:30 PM

### ***Revolutionizing Prosthetics***

This event, co-sponsored with the Connecticut Science Center, will take place at their new facility at 250 Columbus Blvd., Hartford, CT. Presenting will be James Beaty, Assistant Group Supervisor of the Biomedical Engineering Group at the Johns Hopkins University Applied Physics Laboratory. He will present developments surrounding DARPA-funded research on advance prosthetics for our wounded soldiers. Full details at:

<http://www.beaconalliance.org/pdfs/Seminar4-RevolutionizingProsthetics.pdf>

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