



## Northeast Georgia Physicians Group Leverages Allscripts EHR to Achieve HIMSS Analytics A-EMRAM Stage 7

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### Physicians group recognized for optimal use of Allscripts TouchWorks® EHR solution

CHICAGO, Feb. 25, 2014 /PRNewswire/ -- [Allscripts](#) (NASDAQ: MDRX) client Northeast Georgia Physicians Group (NGPG) has achieved the prestigious Stage 7, the highest level attainable, on the HIMSS Analytics Ambulatory Electronic Medical Record (EMR) Adoption Model<sup>SM</sup> (A-EMRAM).

NGPG, a part of Northeast Georgia Health System located in Gainesville, Ga., is a multispecialty physicians group with more than 200 providers. Northeast Georgia Health System serves almost 800,000 people annually in more than 13 counties across Northeast Georgia. One of its hospitals, Northeast Georgia Medical Center was named one of America's [50 Best Hospitals](#) in 2013 by Healthgrades® and is among only 20 large community hospitals named to Truven Health Analytics' list of the nation's [100 Top Hospitals](#).

NGPG utilizes [Allscripts TouchWorks](#) electronic health record. Allscripts TouchWorks EHR is a powerful multi-specialty ambulatory solution that offers automated clinical decision support at the point of care, a configurable clinical desktop, and nearly 800 peer-reviewed Care Guides, and is designed to help complex organizations manage their clinical, financial and operational needs.

"Northeast Georgia Health System is dedicated to leveraging its information technology systems to improve outcomes for the patients we serve," said Deven Mattheus, Chief Information Officer of NGPG. "Allscripts TouchWorks EHR is a reliable and robust solution that has been central to our efforts now validated and recognized with this HIMSS Analytics Stage 7 Award."

HIMSS Analytics EMR Adoption Model<sup>SM</sup> is a methodology that measures the progress and impact of electronic health record (EHR) systems for organizations in the HIMSS Analytics® Database. According to HIMSS Analytics, there are eight stages (0-7) that measure a hospital's implementation and utilization of information technology applications. The final stage, Stage 7, represents an advanced patient record environment. The validation process to confirm a group has reached Stage 7 includes a site visit by an executive from HIMSS Analytics and former or current chief information officers to ensure an unbiased evaluation of the Stage 7 environments.

"Helping our clients reach their operational, financial and care goals is a priority for Allscripts," said Paul M. Black, President and Chief Executive Officer, Allscripts. "We wish to congratulate NGPG on reaching HIMSS Analytics Stage 7, an exceptional achievement that is a reflection of the commitment, dedication and hard work of NGPG's tremendous people."

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