**Registration No. 333-**

### UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, DC 20549

## **FORM S-8 REGISTRATION STATEMENT**

**UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933** 

# **Allscripts Healthcare Solutions, Inc.**

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

Delaware

(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation or Organization)

36-4392754 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

222 Merchandise Mart Plaza, Suite 2024 Chicago, Illinois 60654 (Address of Principal Executive Offices)

**Allscripts Healthcare Solutions, Inc.** Amended and Restated Employee Stock Purchase Plan (Full Title of the Plan)

> Lee Shapiro President and Secretary 222 Merchandise Mart Plaza, Suite 2024 Chicago, Illinois 60654 (Name and address of agent for service)

> > (312) 506-1200

(Telephone number, including area code, of agent for service)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, or a smaller reporting company. See the definitions of "large accelerated filer," "accelerated filer" and "smaller reporting company" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act. (Check one):

Large accelerated filer X

Non-accelerated filer  $\Box$  (Do not check if a smaller reporting company) Accelerated filer Smaller reporting company 

#### **CALCULATION OF REGISTRATION FEE1**

	Amount	Proposed Maximum	Proposed Maximum	
Title of Securities	To Be	Offering Price	Aggregate	Amount of
To Be Registered	Registered <sup>(1)</sup>	Per Share <sup>(2)</sup>	Offering Price <sup>(2)</sup>	Registration Fee
Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share	1,000,000 shares	\$18.97	\$18,965,000	\$2,201.84

(1) This Registration Statement also covers such additional and indeterminate number of shares as may become issuable because of the provisions of the Allscripts Healthcare Solutions, Inc. Amended and Restated Employee Stock Purchase Plan relating to adjustments for changes resulting from a stock dividend, stock split or similar change.

(2) Estimated solely for the purpose of calculating the registration fee pursuant to Rule 457(c) and (h) under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, based upon the average of the high and low prices of the Common Stock on the Nasdaq Global Select Market on July 22, 2011.

#### Part II Information Required in the Registration Statement

#### Item 3. Incorporation of Documents by Reference.

The following documents are incorporated by reference herein:

- (a) Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended May 31, 2010 (as amended by Form 10-K/A filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "<u>Commission</u>") on August 11, 2010);
- (b) Transitional Report on Form 10-K for the seven months ended December 31, 2010;
- (c) Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q for the quarters ended September 30, 2010 (as amended by Form 10-Q/A filed with the Commission on November 15, 2010) and March 31, 2011;
- (d) Current Reports on Form 8-K (excluding any information furnished under Items 2.02 or 7.01 thereof) of the Registrant filed with the Commission on August 2, 2010, August 10, 2010, August 13, 2010, August 16, 2010, August 17, 2010, August 23, 2010, August 24, 2010, September 22, 2010, November 4, 2010, November 15, 2010, November 19, 2010, February 15, 2011, April 6, 2011, May 26, 2011 and July 13, 2011; and
- (e) The description of Registrant's common stock contained in the Registrant's prospectus supplement filed with the Commission pursuant to Rule 424(b)(5) on November 15, 2010.

All documents filed by the Registrant pursuant to Section 13(a), 13(c), 14, or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "<u>Exchange Act</u>"), after the date of this Registration Statement and prior to the filing of a post-effective amendment which indicates that all securities offered hereby have been sold or which deregisters all securities then remaining unsold are deemed to be incorporated by reference into this Registration Statement and to be a part hereof from the respective dates of filing of such documents (such documents, and the documents enumerated above, being hereinafter referred to as "<u>Incorporated Documents</u>").

Any statement contained in an Incorporated Document shall be deemed to be modified or superseded for purposes of this Registration Statement to the extent that a statement contained herein or in any other subsequently filed Incorporated Document modifies or supersedes such statement. Any such statement so modified or superseded shall not be deemed, except as so modified or superseded, to constitute a part of this Registration Statement.

#### Item 4. Description of Securities.

Not applicable.

#### Item 5. Interests of Named Experts and Counsel.

Not applicable.

#### Item 6. Indemnification of Directors and Officers.

The Delaware General Corporation Law ("<u>DGCL</u>") provides that a corporation may indemnify any person who is made a party to any third-party action, suit or proceeding on account of being a director, officer, employee or agent of the corporation (or was serving at the request of the corporation in such capacity for another corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust or other enterprise) against expenses, including attorneys' fees, judgments, fines and amounts paid in settlement actually and reasonably incurred by him or her in connection with the action, suit or proceeding through, among other things, a majority vote of a quorum consisting of directors who were not parties to the suit or proceeding or by a committee of such directors designated by majority vote of such directors, even though less than a quorum, if the person:

- acted in good faith and in a manner he or she reasonably believed to be in or not opposed to the best interests of the corporation, and
- in a criminal proceeding, had reasonable cause to believe his or her conduct was lawful.

The DGCL also permits indemnification by a corporation under similar circumstances for expenses (including attorneys' fees) actually and reasonably incurred by such persons in connection with the defense or settlement of a derivative action or suit, except that no indemnification may be made in respect of any claim, issue or matter as to which the person is adjudged to be liable to the corporation unless the Delaware Court of Chancery or the court in which the action or suit was brought determines upon application that the person is fairly and reasonably entitled to indemnity for the expenses which the court deems to be proper.

To the extent a director, officer, employee or agent is successful in the defense of such an action, suit or proceeding, the corporation is required by the DGCL to indemnify such person for reasonable expenses incurred thereby. Expenses (including attorneys' fees) incurred by such persons in defending any action, suit or proceeding may be paid in advance of the final disposition of such action, suit or proceeding upon receipt of an undertaking by or on behalf of that person to repay the amount if it is ultimately determined that that person is not entitled to be so indemnified.

The Registrant's Fourth Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation (the "Fourth Amended Charter") provides that the Registrant indemnify its directors and officers to the fullest extent authorized by the DGCL, provided, however, that the Registrant is not be required to indemnify such persons in connection with an action, suit or proceeding initiated by such persons unless the initiation of such action, suit or proceeding was specifically authorized by the Registrant's board of directors. The Fourth Amended Charter also requires the advancement of expenses incurred in defending any action, suit or proceeding in advance of its final disposition so long as the director or officer delivers to the Registrant an undertaking to repay the advances if it is ultimately determined that the individual is not entitled to indemnification.

The Fourth Amended Charter provides that the Registrant may indemnify its other employees and agents as set forth in the DGCL.

In addition, the Registrant has purchased directors and officers liability insurance.

#### Item 7. Exemption from Registration Claimed.

Not applicable.

#### Item 8. Exhibits.

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*23.2	Consent of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP.
*24	Powers of Attorney (included in the Signature Page to this Registration Statement).

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#### Item 9. Undertakings.

(a) The Registrant hereby undertakes:

(1) To file, during any period in which offers or sales are being made, a post-effective amendment to this registration statement:

(i) To include any prospectus required by Section 10(a)(3) of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act");

(ii) To reflect in the prospectus any facts or events arising after the effective date of the registration statement (or the most recent post-effective amendment thereof) which, individually or in the aggregate, represent a fundamental change in the information set forth in the registration statement. Notwithstanding the foregoing, any increase or decrease in volume of securities offered (if the total dollar value of securities offered would not exceed that which was registered) and any deviation from the low or high end of the estimated maximum offering range may be reflected in the form of a prospectus filed with the

Commission pursuant to Rule 424(b) if, in the aggregate, the changes in volume and price represent no more than a 20 percent change in the maximum aggregate offering price set forth in the "Calculation of Registration Fee" table in the effective registration statement; and

(iii) To include any material information with respect to the plan of distribution not previously disclosed in the registration statement or any material change to such information in the registration statement;

<u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that paragraphs (a)(1)(i) and (a)(1)(i) do not apply if the information required to be included in a post-effective amendment by those paragraphs is contained in reports filed with or furnished to the Commission by the Registrant pursuant to Section 13 or Section 15(d) of the Exchange Act that are incorporated by reference in the registration statement.

(2) That, for the purpose of determining any liability under the Securities Act, each such post-effective amendment shall be deemed to be a new registration statement relating to the securities offered therein, and the offering of such securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial <u>bona fide</u> offering thereof.

(3) To remove from registration by means of a post-effective amendment any of the securities being registered which remain unsold at the termination of the offering.

(b) The Registrant hereby undertakes that, for purposes of determining any liability under the Securities Act, each filing of the Registrant's annual report pursuant to Section 13(a) or Section 15(d) of the Exchange Act (and, where applicable, each filing of an employee benefit plan's annual report pursuant to Section 15(d) of the Exchange Act (and, where applicable, each filing of an employee benefit plan's annual report pursuant to Section 15(d) of the Exchange Act (by reference in the registration statement shall be deemed to be a new registration statement relating to the securities offered therein, and the offering of such securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial <u>bona fide</u> offering thereof.

(c) Insofar as indemnification for liabilities arising under the Securities Act may be permitted to directors, officers and controlling persons of the Registrant pursuant to the foregoing provisions, or otherwise, the Registrant has been advised that in the opinion of the Commission such indemnification is against public policy as expressed in the Securities Act and is, therefore, unenforceable. In the event that a claim for indemnification against such liabilities (other than the payment by the Registrant of expenses incurred or paid by a director, officer or controlling person of the Registrant in the successful defense of any action, suit or proceeding) is asserted by such director, officer or controlling person in connection with the securities being registered, the Registrant will, unless in the opinion of its counsel the matter has been settled by controlling precedent, submit to a court of appropriate jurisdiction the question whether such indemnification by it is against public policy as expressed in the Securities Act and will be governed by the final adjudication of such issue.

#### SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, the Registrant certifies that it has reasonable grounds to believe that it meets all of the requirements for filing on Form S-8 and has duly caused this Registration Statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in the City of Chicago, State of Illinois, on this 27 h day of July, 2011.

#### ALLSCRIPTS HEALTHCARE SOLUTIONS, INC.

By: /s/ Glen E. Tullman

Name: Glen E. Tullman Title: Chief Executive Officer

KNOW ALL PERSONS BY THESE PRESENT, that each of the undersigned hereby constitutes and appoints, jointly and severally, Lee A. Shapiro and William J. Davis, or either of them (with full power to each of them to act alone), as his true and lawful attorneys-in-fact and agents, each with full power of substitution and resubstitution, for him and on his behalf to sign, execute and file all amendments (including, without limitation, post-effective amendments) to this Registration Statement, and to file the same, with all exhibits thereto and any documents required to be filed with respect therewith, with the Securities and Exchange Commission or any regulatory authority, granting unto such attorneys-in-fact and agents, and each of them, full power and authority to do and perform each and every act and thing requisite and necessary to be done in connection therewith and about the premises in order to effectuate the same as fully to all intents and purposes as he might or could do if personally present, hereby ratifying and confirming all that such attorneys-in-fact and agents, or any of them, or his or their substitute or substitutes, may lawfully do or cause to be done.

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, this Registration Statement has been signed by the following persons in the capacities indicated on this on this 27<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2011.

Signatures	Title
/s/ Glen E. Tullman Glen E. Tullman	Director and Chief Executive Officer (Principal Executive Officer)
/s/ William J. Davis William J. Davis	Chief Financial Officer (Principal Financial and Accounting Officer)
/s/ Philip M. Pead Philip M. Pead	Chairman of the Board and Director
/s/ Dennis H. Chookaszian Dennis H. Chookaszian	Director
/s/ Eugene V. Fife Eugene V. Fife	Director
/s/ M.L. Gamache M.L. Gamache	Director
/s/ Philip D. Green Philip D. Green	Director
/s/ Edward A. Kangas Edward A. Kangas	Director
/s/ Michael J. Kluger Michael J. Kluger	Director

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#### ALLSCRIPTS HEALTHCARE SOLUTIONS, INC.

#### EMPLOYEE STOCK PURCHASE PLAN

#### (As Amended and Restated Effective July 12, 2011)

1. <u>Purpose</u>. The purpose of the Plan is to provide Employees of the Company and Participating Subsidiaries with an opportunity to purchase common stock of the Company through accumulated payroll deductions. It is the intention of the Company to have the Plan qualify as an "Employee Stock Purchase Plan" under Section 423 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended. The provisions of the Plan, accordingly, shall be construed so as to extend and limit participation in a manner consistent with the requirements of that Section of the Code.

2. <u>Definitions</u>. As used herein, the terms set forth below have the meanings assigned to them in this Section 2 and shall include the plural as well as the singular.

1933 Act means the Securities Act of 1933, as amended.

1934 Act means the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

Administrator means the brokerage firm or financial institution (if any) retained to perform administrative services described in Section 10(b).

Board of Directors or Board means the board of directors of Allscripts Healthcare Solutions, Inc.

Business Day shall mean a day on which The NASDAQ Global Select Market ("NASDAQ") is open for trading.

Brokerage Account means the account in which the Purchased Shares are held.

Code means the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended from time to time.

Committee means the Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors, or the designee of the Compensation Committee.

Company means Allscripts Healthcare Solutions, Inc., a Delaware corporation.

*Compensation* means the base pay received by a Participant, including commissions, overtime and bonuses, but excluding stock option awards, stock grants, other equity incentive awards, expense reimbursements, relocation-related payments and automobile allowances. Forms of compensation not specifically listed herein shall be included or excluded from "Compensation" as determined in the sole discretion of the Committee and applied uniformly to all Participants with respect to the applicable offering.

Effective Date means July 12, 2011.

*Employee* means any individual who is a common law employee of the Company or any other Participating Subsidiary whose customary employment with such entity is (i) at least twenty (20) hours per week and (ii) for more than five (5) months per calendar year. For purposes of the Plan, the employment relationship shall be treated as continuing intact while the individual is on sick leave or other leave of absence approved by the Company or the Participating Subsidiary, as appropriate, and only to the

extent permitted under Section 423 of the Code. For purposes of the Plan, an individual who performs services for the Company or a Participating Subsidiary pursuant to an agreement (written or oral) that classifies such individual's relationship with the Company or a Participating Subsidiary as other than a common law employee shall not be considered an "employee" with respect to any period preceding the date on which a court or administrative agency issues a final determination that such individual is an "employee."

Enrollment Date means the first Business Day of each Offering Period.

Exercise Date means the last Business Day of each Offering Period.

*Fair Market Value* on or as of any date means the "NASDAQ Official Closing Price" (as defined on www.nasdaq.com) (or such substantially similar successor price thereto) for a Share as reported on www.nasdaq.com (or a substantially similar successor website) on the relevant valuation date or, if no NASDAQ Official Closing Price is reported on such date, on the preceding day on which a NASDAQ Official Closing Price was reported; or, if the Shares are no longer listed on NASDAQ, the closing price for Shares as reported on the official website for such other exchange on which the Shares are listed.

*Offering Period* means every three (3) month period beginning each March 1, June 1, September 1 and December 1 or such other period designated by the Committee; provided that in no event shall an Offering Period exceed twenty-seven (27) months.

Option means an option granted under this Plan that entitles a Participant to purchase Shares.

Participant means an Employee who satisfies the requirements of Sections 3 and 5 of the Plan.

Participating Subsidiary means a Subsidiary that has been authorized by the Committee or the Board to extend the benefits of the Plan to its Employees.

Plan means this Allscripts Healthcare Solutions, Inc. Employee Stock Purchase Plan.

Purchase Account means the account used to purchase Shares through the exercise of Options under the Plan.

*Purchase Price* shall be 95% of the Fair Market Value of a Share on the Exercise Date for such Offering Period; provided, however, that the Committee may determine a different per share Purchase Price provided that such per share Purchase Price is communicated to Participants prior to the beginning of the Offering Period and provided that in no event shall such per share Purchase Price be less than the lesser of (i) 85% of the Fair Market Value of a Share on the applicable Enrollment Date or (ii) 85% of the Fair Market Value of a Share on the Exercise Date.

Purchased Shares means the full Shares issued or delivered pursuant to the exercise of Options under the Plan.

Shares means the common stock, par value \$0.01 per share, of the Company.

Subsidiary means an entity, domestic or foreign, of which not less than 50% of the voting equity is held by the Company or a Subsidiary, whether or not such entity now exists or is hereafter organized or acquired by the Company or a Subsidiary.

*Termination Date* means the date on which a Participant voluntarily terminates employment or on which the Participant ceases to provide services to the Company or a Subsidiary as an employee, and specifically does not include any period following that date which the Participant may be eligible for or in receipt of other payments from the Company including in lieu of notice or termination or severance pay or as wrongful dismissal damages.

#### 3. Eligibility.

(a) Only Employees of the Company or a Participating Subsidiary shall be eligible to be granted Options under the Plan and, in no event may a Participant be granted an Option under the Plan following his or her Termination Date.

(b) Any provisions of the Plan to the contrary notwithstanding, no Employee shall be granted an Option under the Plan if (i) immediately after the grant, such Employee (or any other person whose stock would be attributed to such Employee pursuant to Section 424(d) of the Code) would own capital stock of the Company and/or hold outstanding Options or options to purchase stock possessing five percent (5%) or more of the total combined voting power or value of all classes of stock of the Company or of any of its Subsidiaries, or (ii) such Option would permit his or her rights to purchase stock under all employee stock purchase plans (described in Section 423 of the Code) of the Company and its Subsidiaries to accrue at a rate that exceeds twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000) of the Fair Market Value of such stock (determined at the time each such Option is granted) for each calendar year in which such Option is outstanding at any time. In addition, in no event may a Participant purchase more than 1,000 Shares during any Offering Period (as adjusted pursuant to Section 18, if applicable); provided, however, that the Committee may in its discretion change such maximum number prior to the beginning of an Offering Period.

4. <u>Exercise of an Option</u>. Options shall be exercised on behalf of Participants in the Plan every Exercise Date, using payroll deductions that have accumulated in the Participants' Purchase Accounts during the immediately preceding Offering Period or that have been retained from a prior Offering Period pursuant to Section 8 hereof.

#### 5. Participation.

(a) An Employee shall be eligible to participate on the first Enrollment Date that occurs after such Employee's first date of employment with the Company or a Participating Subsidiary; provided, that such Employee properly completes and submits an election form by the deadline prescribed by the Company.

(b) An Employee who does not become a Participant on the first Enrollment Date on which he or she is eligible may thereafter become a Participant on any subsequent Enrollment Date by properly completing and submitting an election form by the deadline prescribed by the Company.

(c) Payroll deductions for a Participant shall commence on the first payroll date following the Enrollment Date and shall end on the last payroll date in the Offering Period to which such authorization is applicable, unless sooner terminated by the Participant as provided in Section 11 hereof.

#### 6. Payroll Deductions.

(a) A Participant shall elect to have payroll deductions made during an Offering Period equal to no less than 1% of the Participant's Compensation up to a maximum of 20% (or such greater amount as the Committee establishes from time to time). The amount of such payroll deductions shall be in whole

percentages (for example, 3%, 12%, 20%). All payroll deductions made by a Participant shall be credited to his or her Purchase Account. A Participant may not make any additional payments into his or her Purchase Account.

(b) A Participant may change his or her payroll deduction percentage under subsection (a) above by properly completing and submitting an election change form in accordance with the procedures prescribed by the Committee. The change in amount shall be effective as of the first Enrollment Date following the date of filing of the election change form.

(c) Notwithstanding the foregoing, to the extent necessary to comply with Section 423(b)(8) of the Code and Section 3(b) hereof, a Participant's payroll deductions may be decreased to zero percent (0%) at any time during an Offering Period. Payroll deductions shall recommence at the rate provided in such Participant's election form at the beginning of the first Offering Period which is scheduled to end in the following calendar year, unless terminated by the Participant as provided in Section 11 hereof.

7. <u>Grant of Option</u>. On the applicable Enrollment Date, each Participant in an Offering Period shall be granted an Option to purchase on the next following Exercise Date a number of full Shares determined by dividing such Participant's payroll deductions accumulated prior to such Exercise Date and retained in the Participant's Purchase Account as of the Exercise Date by the applicable Purchase Price.

8. Exercise of Option. A Participant's Option for the purchase of Shares shall be exercised automatically on the Exercise Date, and the maximum number of Shares subject to the Option shall be purchased for such Participant at the applicable Purchase Price with the accumulated payroll deductions in his or her Purchase Account. No fractional Shares shall be purchased; any payroll deductions accumulated in a Participant's Purchase Account which are not sufficient to purchase a full Share shall be retained in the Purchase Account for the next subsequent Offering Period, subject to earlier withdrawal by the Participant as provided in Section 11 hereof. All other payroll deductions accumulated in a Participant's Purchase Account and not used to purchase Shares on an Exercise Date shall be distributed to the Participant. During a Participant's lifetime, a Participant's Option is exercisable only by him or her. The Company shall satisfy the exercise of all Participants' Options for the purchase of Shares through (a) the issuance of authorized but unissued Shares, (b) the transfer of treasury Shares, (c) the purchase of Shares on behalf of the applicable Participants on the open market through an independent broker and/or (d) a combination of the foregoing.

9. <u>Approval by Shareholders</u>. This amendment and restatement of the Plan shall be submitted to the shareholders of the Company for approval within twelve (12) months after the date this amendment and restatement is adopted by the Board. Such shareholder approval may be obtained at a duly held shareholders' meeting by the affirmative vote of the holders of a majority of the Shares of the Company present at the meeting or represented and entitled to vote thereon. If such shareholder approval is not obtained, then the Plan shall terminate as of the 12-month anniversary of the date this amendment and restatement is adopted by the Board, and any Shares theretofore purchased under the Plan shall be treated as having been purchased under a plan that is not qualified under Section 423 of the Code.

#### 10. Administration.

(a) <u>Powers and Duties of the Committee</u>. The Plan shall be administered by the Committee. Subject to the provisions of the Plan, Section 423 of the Code and the regulations thereunder, the Committee shall have the discretionary authority to determine the time and frequency of granting Options, the terms and conditions of the Options and the number of Shares subject to each Option. The Committee shall also have the discretionary authority to do everything necessary and appropriate to

administer the Plan, including, without limitation, interpreting the provisions of the Plan (but any such interpretation shall not be inconsistent with the provisions of Section 423 of the Code). All actions, decisions and determinations of, and interpretations by the Committee with respect to the Plan shall be final and binding upon all Participants and upon their executors, administrators, personal representatives, heirs and legatees. No member of the Board of Directors or the Committee shall be liable for any action, decision, determination or interpretation made in good faith with respect to the Plan or any Option granted hereunder. The Plan shall be administered so as to ensure that all Participants have the same rights and privileges as are provided by Section 423(b)(5) of the Code.

(b) <u>Administrator</u>. The Company, Board or the Committee may engage the services of a brokerage firm or financial institution (the "Administrator") to perform certain ministerial and procedural duties under the Plan including, but not limited to, mailing and receiving notices contemplated under the Plan, determining the number of Purchased Shares for each Participant, maintaining or causing to be maintained the Purchase Account and the Brokerage Account, disbursing funds maintained in the Purchase Account or proceeds from the sale of Shares through the Brokerage Account, and filing with the appropriate tax authorities proper tax returns and forms (including information returns) and providing to each Participant statements as required by law or regulation.

(c) Indemnification. Each person who is or shall have been (a) a member of the Board, (b) a member of the Committee, or (c) an officer or employee of the Company to whom authority was delegated in relation to this Plan, shall be indemnified and held harmless by the Company against and from any loss, cost, liability or expense that may be imposed upon or reasonably incurred by him or her in connection with or resulting from any claim, action, suit or proceeding to which he or she may be a party or in which he or she may be involved by reason of any action taken or failure to act under the Plan and against and from any and all amounts paid by him or her in settlement thereof, with the Company's approval, or paid by him or her in satisfaction of any judgment in any such claim, action, suit or proceeding against him or her; provided, however, that he or she shall give the Company an opportunity, at its own expense, to handle and defend the same before he or she undertakes to handle and defend it on his or her own behalf, unless such loss, cost, liability or expense is a result of his or her own willful misconduct or except as expressly provided by statute.

The foregoing right of indemnification shall not be exclusive of any other rights of indemnification to which such persons may be entitled under the Company's certificate of incorporation or bylaws, any contract with the Company, as a matter of law, or otherwise, or of any power that the Company may have to indemnify them or hold them harmless.

11. <u>Withdrawal</u>. A Participant may withdraw from the Plan by properly completing and submitting to the Company a withdrawal form in accordance with the procedures prescribed by the Committee. Upon withdrawal, any payroll deductions credited to the Participant's Purchase Account prior to the effective date of the Participant's withdrawal from the Plan will be returned to the Participant. No further payroll deductions for the purchase of Shares will be made during subsequent Offering Periods, unless the Participant properly completes and submits an election form, by the deadline prescribed by the Company. A Participant's withdrawal from an offering will not have any effect upon his or her eligibility to participate in the Plan or in any similar plan that may hereafter be adopted by the Company.

12. <u>Termination of Employment</u>. On the Termination Date of a Participant for any reason prior to the applicable Exercise Date, whether voluntary or involuntary, and including termination of employment due to retirement, death or as a result of liquidation, dissolution, sale, merger or a similar event affecting the Company or a Participating Subsidiary, the corresponding payroll deductions credited to his or her Purchase Account will be returned to him or her or, in the case of the Participant's death, to the person or persons entitled thereto under Section 15, and his or her Option will be automatically terminated.

13. Interest. No interest shall accrue on the payroll deductions of a Participant in the Plan.

#### 14. Stock.

(a) The stock subject to Options shall be common stock of the Company as traded on the NASDAQ or on such other exchange as the Shares may be listed.

(b) Subject to adjustment upon changes in capitalization of the Company as provided in Section 17 hereof, the maximum number of Shares which shall be made available for sale under the Plan shall be one million five hundred thousand (1,500,000) Shares, with one million (1,000,000) Shares of such maximum number of Shares to be made available for sale under the Plan for Offering Periods ending after August 31, 2011. If, on a given Exercise Date, the number of Shares with respect to which Options are to be exercised exceeds the number of Shares then available under the Plan, the Committee shall make a pro rata allocation of the Shares remaining available for purchase in as uniform a manner as shall be practicable and as it shall determine to be equitable.

(c) A Participant shall have no interest or voting right in Shares covered by his or her Option until such Option has been exercised and the Participant has become a holder of record of Shares acquired pursuant to such exercise.

15. <u>Designation of Beneficiary</u>. A Participant may designate a beneficiary who is to receive any Purchased Shares or payroll deductions, if any, in the Participant's accounts under the Plan in the event of such Participant's death. Beneficiary designations shall be made in accordance with procedures prescribed by the Committee. If no properly designated beneficiary survives the Participant, the Purchased Shares and payroll deductions, if any, will be distributed to the Participant's estate.

16. <u>Assignability of Options</u>. Neither payroll deductions credited to a Participant's Purchase Account nor any rights with regard to the exercise of an Option or to receive Shares under the Plan may be assigned, transferred, pledged or otherwise disposed of in any way (other than by will, the laws of descent and distribution or as provided in Section 15 hereof) by the Participant. Any such attempt at assignment, transfer, pledge or other disposition shall be without effect, except that the Company may treat such act as an election to withdraw from an Offering Period in accordance with Section 11 hereof.

#### 17. Adjustment of Number of Shares Subject to Options.

(a) <u>Adjustment</u>. Subject to any required action by the stockholders of the Company, the maximum number of securities available for purchase under the Plan, as well as the price per security and the number of securities covered by each Option under the Plan which has not yet been exercised shall be appropriately adjusted in the event of any a stock split, reverse stock split, stock dividend, combination or reclassification of the common stock of the Company, or any other increase or decrease in the number of Shares effected without receipt of consideration by the Company; provided, however, that conversion of any convertible securities of the Company shall not be deemed to have been "effected without receipt of consideration." Such adjustment shall be made by the Board or the Committee, whose determination in that respect shall be final, binding and conclusive. If any such adjustment would result in a fractional security being available under the Plan, such fractional security shall be disregarded. Except as expressly provided herein, no issuance by the Company of shares of stock of any class, or securities convertible into shares of stock of any class, shall affect, and no adjustment by reason thereof shall be made with respect to, the number or price of Shares subject to an Option. The Options granted pursuant to the Plan shall not be adjusted in a manner that causes the Options to fail to qualify as options issued pursuant to an "employee stock purchase plan" within the meaning of Section 423.

(b) <u>Dissolution or Liquidation</u>. In the event of the proposed dissolution or liquidation of the Company, the Offering Period then in progress shall be shortened by setting a new Exercise Date (the "New Exercise Date"). The New Exercise Date shall be before the date of the Company's proposed dissolution or liquidation and shall be set by the Committee. The Company will notify each Participant in writing, as soon as administratively practicable prior to the New Exercise Date, that the Exercise Date for the Participant's Option has been changed to the New Exercise Date and that the Participant's Option shall be exercised automatically on the New Exercise Date, unless prior to such date the Participant has withdrawn from the Offering Period as provided in Section 11 hereof.

(c) <u>Merger or Asset Sale</u>. In the event of a proposed sale of all or substantially all of the assets of the Company, or the merger of the Company with or into another corporation, each outstanding Option shall be assumed or an equivalent option substituted by the successor corporation or a parent or subsidiary of the successor corporation. In the event that the successor corporation refuses to assume or substitute for the Option, the Offering Period then in progress shall be shortened by setting a new Exercise Date (the "New Exercise Date"). The New Exercise Date shall be before the date of the Company's proposed sale or merger and shall be set by the Committee. The Company will notify each Participant in writing, as soon as administratively practicable prior to the New Exercise Date, that the Exercise Date for the Participant's Option has been changed to the New Exercise Date and that the Participant's Option shall be exercised automatically on the New Exercise Date, unless prior to such date the Participant has withdrawn from the Offering Period as provided in Section 11 hereof.

#### 18. Amendments or Termination of the Plan.

(a) The Board of Directors or the Committee may at any time and for any reason amend, modify, suspend, discontinue or terminate the Plan without notice; provided that no Participant's existing rights in respect of existing Options are adversely affected thereby. To the extent necessary to comply with Section 423 of the Code (or any other applicable law, regulation or stock exchange rule), the Company shall obtain shareholder approval in such a manner and to such a degree as required.

(b) Without shareholder consent and without regard to whether any Participant rights may be considered to have been "adversely affected," the Board or the Committee shall be entitled to change the Offering Periods, limit or increase the frequency and/or number of changes in the amount withheld during an Offering Period, establish the exchange ratio applicable to amounts withheld in a currency other than U.S. dollars, permit payroll withholding in an amount less than or greater than the amount designated by a Participant in order to adjust for delays or mistakes in the Company's processing of properly completed withholding elections, establish reasonable waiting and adjustment periods and/or accounting and crediting procedures to ensure that amounts applied toward the purchase of Shares for each Participant properly correspond with amounts withheld from the Participant's Compensation, and establish such other limitations or procedures as the Board or the Committee determines in its sole discretion advisable which are consistent with the Plan; provided, however, that changes to (i) the Purchase Price, (ii) the Offering Period, or (iii) the maximum of percentage of Compensation that may be deducted pursuant to Section 6(a), shall not be effective until communicated to Participants in a reasonable manner, with the determination of such reasonable manner in the sole discretion of the Board or the Committee.

19. <u>No Other Obligations</u>. The receipt of an Option pursuant to the Plan shall impose no obligation upon the Participant to purchase any Shares covered by such Option. Nor shall the granting of an Option pursuant to the Plan constitute an agreement or an understanding, express or implied, on the part of the Company to employ the Participant for any specified period.

20. <u>Notices and Communication</u>. Any notice or other form of communication which the Company or a Participant may be required or permitted to give to the other shall be provided through such means as designated by the Committee, including but not limited to any paper or electronic method.

#### 21. Condition Upon Issuance of Shares.

(a) Shares shall not be issued with respect to an Option unless the exercise of such Option and the issuance and delivery of such Shares pursuant thereto shall comply with all applicable provisions of law, domestic or foreign, including, without limitation, the 1933 Act and the 1934 Act and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder, and the requirements of any stock exchange upon which the Shares may then be listed, and shall be further subject to the approval of counsel for the Company with respect to such compliance.

(b) As a condition to the exercise of an Option, the Company may require the person exercising such Option to represent and warrant at the time of any such exercise that the Shares are being purchased only for investment and without any present intention to sell or distribute such Shares if, in the opinion of counsel for the Company, such a representation is required by any of the aforementioned applicable provisions of law.

22. <u>General Compliance</u>. The Plan will be administered and Options will be exercised in compliance with the 1933 Act, 1934 Act and all other applicable securities laws and Company policies, including without limitation, the Company's Insider Trading Policy.

23. Term of the Plan. The Plan shall continue in effect for a term of ten (10) years unless sooner terminated under Section 18.

24. <u>Governing Law</u>. The Plan and all Options granted hereunder shall be construed in accordance with and governed by the laws of the State of Delaware without reference to choice of law principles and subject in all cases to the Code and the regulations thereunder.

25. <u>Non-U.S. Participants</u>. To the extent permitted under Section 423 of the Code, without the amendment of the Plan, the Company may provide for the participation in the Plan by Employees who are subject to the laws of foreign countries or jurisdictions on such terms and conditions different from those specified in the Plan as may in the judgment of the Company be necessary or desirable to foster and promote achievement of the purposes of the Plan and, in furtherance of such purposes the Company may make such modifications, amendments, procedures, subplans and the like as may be necessary or advisable to comply with provisions of laws of other countries or jurisdictions in which the Company or the Participating Subsidiaries operate or have employees. Each subplan shall constitute a separate "offering" under this Plan in accordance with Treas. Reg. §1.423-2(a).



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July 27, 2011

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#### Re: Allscripts Healthcare Solutions, Inc. Registration Statement on Form S-8

#### Ladies and Gentlemen:

We refer to the Registration Statement on Form S-8 (the "Registration Statement") being filed by Allscripts Healthcare Solutions, Inc., a Delaware corporation (the "Company"), with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Commission") under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act"), relating to the registration of 1,000,000 shares (the "Shares") of common stock, par value \$0.01 per share, of the Company ("Common Stock"), to be issued under the Company's Amended and Restated Employee Stock Purchase Plan (the "Plan").

As counsel to the Company, we have examined and relied upon copies of: (i) the Company's Fourth Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation; (ii) the Company's Amended and Restated By-laws; (iii) the Registration Statement; (iv) the Plan; and (v) the corporate proceedings relating to the Plan and the Registration Statement. We have also examined and relied upon records, documents, certificates and statements of government officials, certificates of officers of the Company and other instruments, and have examined such questions of law, and satisfied ourselves as to such matters of fact, as we have considered relevant and necessary as a basis for the opinions set forth herein. We have assumed the authenticity of all documents submitted to us as originals, the genuineness of all signatures, the legal capacity of all natural persons and the conformity with the original documents of any copies thereof submitted to us for examination. We have also assumed, to the extent relevant to the opinions set forth herein, that the Company was duly organized and at all relevant times was and will be validly existing and in good standing under the laws of the State of Delaware.

Based on the foregoing, and subject to the qualifications and limitations set forth herein, we are of the opinion that each Share that is newly issued pursuant to the Plan will be legally issued, fully paid and non-assessable when: (i) the Registration Statement shall have become effective under the Securities Act; (ii) such Share shall have been duly issued and delivered in the matter contemplated by the Plan; and (iii) a certificate in due and proper form representing such Share shall have been duly executed,

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countersigned and registered and duly delivered to the person entitled thereto against receipt by the Company of the consideration (not less than the par value thereof) determined in accordance with the terms of the Plan or, if such Share is to be issued in uncertificated form, the Company's books shall reflect the issuance of such Share to the person entitled thereto upon payment of the consideration (not less than the par value thereof) determined in accordance with the terms of the Plan.

This letter is limited to the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware. We express no opinion as to matters relating to, or the application of, the securities or blue sky laws of any jurisdiction or any rules or regulations thereunder.

The opinions expressed in this letter are based on the law in effect, and the facts and circumstances existing, on the date of this letter. We assume no obligation to update or supplement this letter to reflect any facts or circumstances which may hereafter come to our attention with respect to the opinions expressed above, including any changes in applicable law which may hereafter occur.

We hereby consent to the filing of this letter as an exhibit to the Registration Statement and to all references to our firm included in or made a part of the Registration Statement. In giving such consent, we do not thereby admit that we are within the category of persons from whom consent is required by Section 7 of the Securities Act or the related rules promulgated by the Commission.

Very truly yours,

/s/ Sidley Austin LLP

#### CONSENT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

We hereby consent to the incorporation by reference in this Registration Statement on Form S-8 of our report dated February 28, 2011 relating to the financial statements, financial statement schedule and the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting, which appears in Allscripts Healthcare Solutions Inc.'s Transitional Report on Form 10-K for the seven months ended December 31, 2010.

/s/ PricewaterhouseCoopers LLC

Chicago, Illinois July 27, 2011