



For more information:
Michelle Taylor
PReturn Inc.
312.432.9407
mtaylor@preturn.com

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Care Communications, Inc. Appoints Kathy Johnson, RHIA to Vice President, Coding Quality and Compliance Services

CHICAGO, May 6, 2010 – Care Communications, Inc., a national health information management (HIM) consulting and staffing firm, announced today the appointment of Kathy Johnson, RHIA, to Vice President, Coding Quality and Compliance Services, effective immediately.

“Kathy Johnson is a leading authority on the ICD-10 transition, and she has skillfully navigated Care Communications through changes in the coding industry since joining the company in 1997,” said Patty Thierry Sheridan, President of Care Communications. “With significant changes in classification systems, coding technology and reimbursement on the horizon, Kathy will undoubtedly steer Care Communications and its clients successfully through future changes as well.”

Johnson provides strategic guidance for Care Communications and several coding related national committees as they help hospitals and health networks adapt to the future state of coding and the efficiency and compliance related needs of their organizations. She and her team will continue to help hospitals and health networks improve the bottom line and maintain compliance when handling regulations from the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS), including recovery audit contractors (RACs), Medicare administrative contractors (MACs) and hospital acquired conditions (HACs), as well as preparing for the ICD-9 to ICD-10 transition and juggling the many other regulatory changes that lie ahead.

Along with Johnson’s promotion to vice president, Care Communications’ Coding Services department will be renamed Coding Quality and Compliance to reflect the growth and demand of coding compliance services for hospitals and physician practices.

About Care Communications

Care Communications is a nationally recognized leader in Health Information Management (HIM) and has served the needs of leading health care organizations since 1976. Care Communications, a preferred HIM services provider for VHA Inc., offers health care organizations the industry’s most focused, effective and comprehensive suite of HIM services. From compliance, revenue enhancement and cost reduction to electronic health record (EHR) and ICD-10 transformational consulting, research support, and change leadership, the nation’s most successful health care and research organizations turn to Care Communications for help with their most challenging HIM issues. For more information, visit www.carecommunications.com.

Editor’s note: Photo of Kathy Johnson available upon request

– # # # –