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Garozzo Pharmacy Group leads e-health reform in Queensland with the MediSecure® secure electronic Prescriptions solution

The Garozzo Pharmacy Group of Keperra, Brisbane today announced the successful commencement of the MediSecure® e-prescription service in their Chemmart Pharmacies. The Garozzo group uses the minfos® system across their 6 pharmacies.

Pharmacist Rod Garozzo said *"We are pleased to take the lead in e-prescriptions in Queensland and are happy to work with MediSecure® which is the only e-prescription system recommended by the Royal Australian College of General Practitioners. We believe this recommendation will ensure general practitioners use MediSecure® and embrace e-health with its clear patient benefits"*.

"The Garozzo Chemmart group wanted to be the first minfos® pharmacies processing e-prescriptions. While we understand that this is early days in e-health, we see e-prescriptions as important to the future of community pharmacy and we know that most of our local general practitioners are using clinical systems that can already work with MediSecure®," said Blaine Woods, partner of Chemmart Keperra. *"Leadership in e-health is especially important to us because our local division of general practice is very innovative and will no doubt provide strong e-health leadership for the medical community. We look forward to the e-prescriptions service from MediSecure® giving us a lift in our cost base and allowing us to increase our dispensing volumes."*

Some 700 community pharmacies have signed MediSecure® licences and are ready to commence operations. MediSecure® uses the proven eHealthNT technology originally deployed by General Practice Network NT (GPNNT), a leading division of general practice. The MediSecure® technology includes the latest HL7 clinical data standards, open architecture and the most recent Prescription Message standards in its working e-prescription solution. The Royal Australian College of General Practitioners and the Australian Association of Practice Managers actively supports MediSecure®.

"We invite all Pharmacy and Medical Practice software vendors to join the MediSecure® service. Our working solution includes clinical messaging providers such as ArgusConnect and ReferralNet delivering e-scripts from doctor's desktops to the MediSecure® Script Vault® as well as leading integrated pharmacy solution providers such as minfos® and CDC Systems," said Phillip Shepherd, MediSecure CEO. *"MediSecure is working closely with the leading clinical and pharmacy information systems vendors to provide a tightly integrated secure service for our many licence holders. We welcome participation by all primary healthcare and community pharmacy IT vendors and look forward to sensible commercial arrangements that support primary healthcare and community pharmacy sectors in this important health reform. We already have a solid footprint in pharmacy that is expanding with the minfos® dispense system rolling out its MediSecure® integration right now".*

Community Pharmacists attending the PSA's **PAC 09 conference** in Sydney 15-18 October 2009 can see a working demonstration at the MediSecure® stand 40-41.

More information is available at www.medisecure.com.au .

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