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**Benjamin Littenberg, MD, Chief Medical Officer at Patient Engagement Systems to Discuss Advanced IT for Primary Care at the National Medical Home Summit**

*The Fourth National Medical Home Summit, the Leading Forum on the Development and Implementation of the Patient Centered Medical Home, takes place Sept. 20-21 in San Francisco*

**Burlington, VT – September 15, 2011** – Benjamin Littenberg, MD, Chief Medical Officer for Patient Engagement Systems, a health-care technology company that provides solutions for improving primary care for people with chronic diseases, will be presenting “Advanced IT for the Medical Home: Engaging the Patient” at the Fourth National Medical Home Summit in San Francisco later this month.

At conference, Dr. Littenberg will discuss how information technology, when applied strategically and purposefully, can create engaged patients and be a key difference maker for PCMH efforts. Dr. Littenberg’s presentation will include research that demonstrates that successful patient engagement improves outcomes and saves money.

“The future of healthcare is evolving and primary care delivery is changing, making engaging with patients more important than ever to the financial and clinical success of the primary care practice research. The Medical Home model will help this evolution happen, but the right information utilities need to be in place to engrain new methods of health improvement,” said Dr. Littenberg.

Dr. Littenberg’s Mini Summit presentation at the National Medical Home Summit will take place at 2:15 p.m. on Wednesday, Sept. 21. The Fourth National Medical Home Summit is being held on that day, as well as on Sept. 22, at the Grand Hyatt in San Francisco, California.

Patient Engagement Systems provides technology solutions that have been demonstrated to improve coordination, compliance and the overall management of chronic conditions by supporting physician decision-making and communication with their patients. Physicians who work with Patient Engagement Systems have found that the technology extended, and expanded, their capability to provide high-quality, cost-effective, and consistent medical care -- ultimately improving health outcomes and reducing expenses.

Patient Engagement Systems' technology is the only patient centered clinical solution that has demonstrated effectiveness in a National Institute of Health (NIH) funded study.

The National Medical Home Summit is the leading forum on the development and implementation of the patient centered medical home (PCMH). The Summit, a hybrid conference and Internet event that is sponsored by the Jefferson School of Population Health, will bring together the leading authorities and practitioners in the medical home field to discuss how the PCMH model is working, where it has proven outcomes, how it is evolving, and how it fits into plans for delivery system reform. The conference will present the key building blocks of the medical home model, and four major medical home themes -- IT, care coordination, patient engagement, and the medical home workforce. Each of these topics will be discussed in depth in separate mini summits.

For more information about the National Medical Home Summit, visit [www.MedicalHomeSummit.com](http://www.MedicalHomeSummit.com)

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### **About Patient Engagement Systems®**

Patient Engagement Systems® technology enhances patient engagement by fostering communication between patient and caregiver, and by delivering decision support to health-care providers. The PES system has been proven in a National Institute of Health clinical trial to improve health outcomes and reduce costs.

The patent-pending PES technology uses automated blood test reports and notification letters to help health care providers better care for their patients, and patients better manage their chronic conditions. PES has been used by thousands of patients with diabetes in Vermont, New York, California and Texas. Clients include municipalities, private hospital systems, physician organizations, and managed care organizations. For more information about Patient Engagement Systems (PES), visit <http://www.patientengagementsystems.com>.

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