



Sound Physicians, Bay Area Inpatient Group Combine Forces

Expanded Organization Focuses on Improving Quality, Reducing Cost of Healthcare

Tacoma, WA & San Francisco Bay Area, CA – August 5, 2011 – [Sound Physicians](#), a leading hospitalist organization focused on driving improvements in quality, satisfaction and efficiency of inpatient healthcare delivery, today announced the acquisition of Bay Area Inpatient Group in the greater San Francisco Bay area.

The new, consolidated organization brings together the strengths of each organization in the continued service and focus on exceptional patient care at NorthBay Healthcare System's two hospitals, North Bay Medical Center in Fairfield, Calif. and VacaValley Hospital in Vacaville, Calif. Bay Area Inpatient Group physicians will be joining Sound Physicians' existing team of 12 hospitalists and one hospitalist RN.

"As one hospitalist practice we can deepen the performance value we bring to NorthBay Healthcare," said Robert Bessler M.D., chief executive officer and founder of Sound Physicians. "With the consolidation of hospitalist services at NorthBay, Sound Physicians will double the number of patient visits and drive further performance.

Now all medicine hospitalists serving NorthBay Healthcare's two hospitals will utilize Sound Physicians' robust performance management engine and clinical process excellence solutions to drive improvements to inpatient care. The teams will also have the benefit of Sound Physicians' strong resources and expertise in hospital medicine management, including areas such as informatics, billing, compliance and human resources.

"Our team looks forward to being part of Sound Physicians," said Bay Area Inpatient Group partner Paresh Pravin, M.D. "Working together, we're able to further sharpen our focus on providing exceptional patient care."

About Sound Physicians

Sound Physicians is a leading hospitalist organization focused on driving improvements in quality, satisfaction and efficiency of inpatient health care delivery. Sound Physicians' invests deeply in outstanding physicians, clinical process excellence and its proprietary workflow and informatics technology. Sound Physicians seamlessly partners with healthcare providers to measurably enhance patient outcomes and strengthen hospital financial performance. To learn more visit:

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