

SearchAmerica helps Dallas hospital identify fraudulent registration information

MINNEAPOLIS- (BUSINESS WIRE) – July 28, 2006 SearchAmerica has helped a Dallas-based hospital system save millions of dollars by identifying patients who provide fraudulent registration information in order to gain enrollment in the hospital's charity care programs.

So far, Dallas-based Parkland Health & Hospital System has identified and is investigating 112 patients who provided false residential or financial information during the registration process in order to receive free health care. The charges for their medical bills totals approximately \$4 million. The average balance owed is approximately \$30,000.

Parkland did not have an automated method to verify patient identifying and financial information. The new SearchAmerica solution is simple for Parkland to use as it is tightly integrated with most existing hospital software systems.

On July 25, 2006 at the Dallas County Commissioners Court, the commissioners announced further efforts to address patients who seek care at Parkland and provide fraudulent information in order to receive care for free. The commissioners approved an appropriation that allows a DA and investigator to pursue patients who have provided fraudulent information and received care for free.

"We are willing to work with anyone and provide the health care they need, however we simply ask that they provide us honest and accurate information," said John Gates, chief financial officer of Parkland Health & Hospital System. "As the county's public hospital system, Parkland has a fiduciary responsibility to Dallas County taxpayers to recoup some of these costs. In addition, this software will also be utilized on the front-end when patients first present."

"We are pleased to be of assistance to Parkland," says Daniel Johnson, CEO of SearchAmerica. "Our state-of-the-art automation is helping hospitals revamp revenue cycle workflow and achieve superior results, resulting in a healthier bottom line for our clients. In addition to preventing fraud, hospitals use our charity screening product to help identify patients that qualify for charity or Medicaid."

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line. Documented case studies prove a significant return on investment, consistent with favorable public relations.

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