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Sansum Clinic to Deploy Medi-Span® for Point-of-Care Access to Drug Information, Decision Support

MINNEAPOLIS, MN (October 7, 2010) - [Wolters Kluwer Health](#), a leading global provider of information for healthcare professionals and students, announced today that Sansum Clinic will deploy [Medi-Span®](#) to provide clinicians with point-of-care access to comprehensive drug information and medication decision support.

Based in Santa Barbara, Calif., [Sansum Clinic](#) is the largest independent nonprofit healthcare organization between the Los Angeles Basin and the San Francisco Bay Area. With more than 150 affiliated physicians, Sansum Clinic provides the full spectrum of healthcare services, from primary care to more than 30 specialties. It serves more than 150,000 patients annually at 17 patient care facilities, and holds ambulatory care accreditation from the Institute for Medical Quality (IMQ).

“Advancing our commitment to quality and safety requires providing our clinicians with access to the reliable, comprehensive and current drug information and advanced medication decision support tools that help shape well-informed medication decisions,” said Tom Colbert, Sansum Clinic Chief Information Officer. “Integrating Medi-Span with our Epic EHR system reflects that commitment and helps ensure we are providing the best possible patient care in the safest environment.”

Medi-Span provides the comprehensive, up-to-date drug information and clinical decision support systems clinicians need to work efficiently and protect patients. From databases with drug product and pricing information to decision support databases that identify drug conflicts to consumer-oriented information written to educate patients about their drug therapy, Medi-Span products provide clinicians with drug information that will assist in:

- Making difficult drug therapy decisions
- Improving patient outcomes
- Minimizing patient risks
- Containing costs

When integrated with EMR/EHR systems, Medi-Span’s product suite assists with patient care and education; screening for potential interactions; pricing and reimbursement decision making; and ensuring orders are properly entered and therapies are not replicated unnecessarily. A full list of Medi-Span’s databases and tools for healthcare facilities is available at medispan.com/health-care-facilities.aspx.

“Sansum Clinic’s dedication to the provision of safe, high-quality patient care is reflected in its IMQ accreditation and its position as one of the most technologically advanced healthcare providers in the Santa Barbara region,” said **Arvind Subramanian**, President and CEO, Wolters Kluwer Health Clinical Solutions. “We are pleased they have selected Medi-Span as the drug information resource to further its mission of excellence in comprehensive healthcare through teamwork, community collaboration, research and education.”

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