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**HEALTHCARE PARTNERS IPA DOCTORS SECURE \$900K IN STIMULUS MONEY**  
**Pacis Division Continues to Help Physicians Achieve Meaningful Use Incentives**

**Torrance, CA. August 1, 2012** – PACIS, a division of HealthCare Partners, announced today that 49 IPA physicians have attested and received a total of over \$900,000 from the Centers of Medicare and Medicaid Services. These incentives were established by the American Reinvestment and Recovery Act to reward medical providers who successfully demonstrate meaningful use of an electronic health record system in ways that improve quality, safety and effectiveness of patient centered care.

The physicians in the HCP network received their incentive after completing attestation for Stage 1 of Meaningful Use. “Ever since the HITECH act was announced, PACIS has worked very hard to make sure our vendor partner NextGen met all the system requirements, and most importantly, that our IPA Doctors were well trained and educated on the guidelines.” said Roberta Sniderman, Director of PACIS.

The PACIS Meaningful Use implementation team developed key tools, road shows and educational resources to assist providers in becoming meaningful users. They were able to assist with building spreadsheets and checklists in order to track the physician’s progress toward each required and optional measure.

Providers must demonstrate meaningful use for 90 consecutive days during the first year of participation in the program as long as they begin by 2014. Physicians and eligible providers may earn as much as \$44,000 in extra Medicare payments over a five-year period for meaningful use of a certified EHR system. Medicaid providers may choose to participate in a similar program with bonuses as high as \$63,750.

“For the last 6 years, HealthCare Partners and the PACIS division have been helping IPA physicians and specialists develop a broader connected technology community.” Explains Steve Davis DO, Medical Director of PACIS. “Going from paper charts to electronic health records using NextGen Healthcare software is a component of this broader system and our providers appreciate our partnership in this critical journey.”

**HealthCare Partners** manages and operates medical groups and affiliated physician networks nationally in its pursuit of excellent quality healthcare delivered in a dignified and compassionate manner. With more than 1,200 employed and affiliated primary care physicians and more than 3,000 employed and contracted specialists, HealthCare Partners cares for patients in Los Angeles, Long Beach, South Bay, Pasadena/San Gabriel Valley area, the San Fernando and Santa Clarita Valleys, and North Orange County.

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