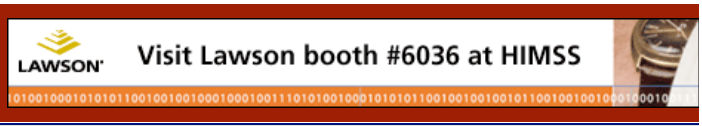

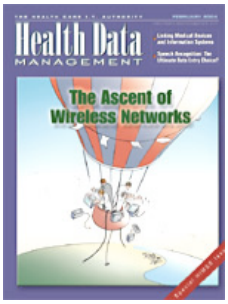

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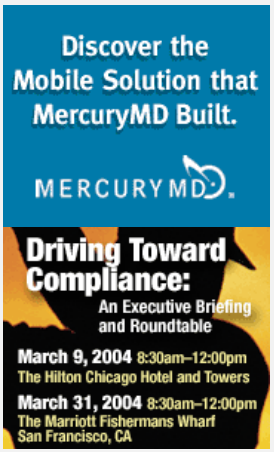
New Group to Promote Putting Content in Clinical Software

(July 19, 2001) A group of clinicians and medical academicians have formed a not-for-profit organization to promote development and maintenance of medical knowledge content for use in clinical information systems. The goal of the organization, called the Institute for Medical Knowledge Implementation, is to promote improved health care outcomes. Two health care information technology vendors--Eclipsys Corp., Delray Beach, Fla., and Wellogic Inc., Cambridge, Mass.--are paying the new organization's start-up costs.

The institute will operate a public library of nonproprietary, evidence-based medical knowledge code, or content, that health care information technology vendors can implement in their systems. Individual users also can access and use the content. Tools for authoring and submitting content will be provided in 2002 on the institute's Web site, *www.imki.org*. The Web site now includes information on the group's mission, its officers and board of directors. The institute will work with vendors, hospitals, medical groups, researchers, health plans, employers and others to collect the content.



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