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Yale-New Haven Hospital and Yale School of Medicine name new chief medical information officer

New Haven, CT - October 14, 2010 - Yale-New Haven Hospital and Yale School of Medicine have announced a joint appointment in information system leadership. Steven Schlossberg, MD, is the new chief medical information officer (CMIO) for the hospital and the medical school. Dr. Schlossberg has extensive expertise in Epic information software, which will be implemented at the hospital and the medical school over the next few years.

Epic - the most highly ranked company in the healthcare information technology industry - specializes in electronic medical records for patients. The Epic computer system provides each patient with a single patient record number across all points of care, so a patient's full record - including inpatient and outpatient visits, medications, procedures, lab results, diagnostic procedure results and other critical information - will travel with the patient from the community to the hospital setting. It will also include a patient portal that will allow patients themselves to access and track their medical care through a secure website where they can monitor their health.

Dr. Schlossberg, a urologist specializing in urologic reconstructive surgery, has a long record of leadership in the field of clinical informatics. He was vice president of clinical operations and senior medical director for Sentara Medical Group, a 400-physician multispecialty group which is part of part of Sentara Health System, a healthcare delivery system in Norfolk, Virginia. He was previously vice president at Medical Informatics, where he introduced Epic across several hospitals and community physician practices.

In addition to his extensive expertise in electronic medical records, Dr. Schlossberg holds many national leadership positions in his specialty and in medical informatics, including the Information Technology Taskforce of the American Medical Association's board of directors. Dr. Schlossberg graduated from Franklin & Marshall College in Pennsylvania, and received his MD from Cornell University Medical College and an MBA from the College of William and Mary.

"We are pleased that Dr. Steven Schlossberg has joined Yale-New Haven, as we begin to develop and implement the most advanced information technology project we have ever undertaken," said Richard D'Aquila, executive vice president and COO, Yale-New Haven Hospital. Added Peter N. Herbert, MD, YNHH chief of staff, "Dr. Schlossberg brings in-depth experience with the implementation of a complex electronic medical record - this will have a positive and long-lasting impact on the effectiveness and quality of patient care here."

"Dr. Schlossberg's expertise in healthcare information technology will provide us with the critical leadership needed to implement Epic and to meet the complex day-to-day medical information needs of the medical school and the hospital," said David J. Leffell, MD, CEO, Yale Medical Group, which has played a lead role in the Epic project.

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***Yale-New Haven Hospital** is a 966-bed, not-for-profit hospital serving as the primary teaching hospital for the Yale School of Medicine. Yale-New Haven was founded as the fourth voluntary hospital in the U.S. in 1826 and today, the hospital complex includes Yale-New Haven Children's Hospital, Yale-New Haven Psychiatric Hospital and Smilow Cancer Hospital at Yale-New Haven, which opened in October 2009. YNHH has a combined medical staff of about 3,400 university and community physicians practicing in more than 100 specialties. Visit www.ynhh.org for additional information.*

***Yale School of Medicine**, founded in 1810, is a world-renowned center for biomedical research, education and advanced health care. Among its 28 departments are one of the nation's oldest schools of public health and the internationally recognized Child Study Center, founded in 1911. Yale School of Medicine consistently ranks among the handful of leading recipients of research funding from the National Institutes of Health and other organizations supporting the biomedical sciences. Its core faculty of more than 1,100 physicians and scientists is well represented within the Institute of Medicine and National Academy of Sciences and among investigators of the Howard Hughes Medical Institute. The Yale Medical Group, which includes more than 800 physicians, is the faculty practice of the Yale School of Medicine.*