



Dossia Allies – September 2007

“Giving individuals and families control of their health information is a critical step in helping people protect their health,” said **Julie Gerberding, MD, MPH, director of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention**. “Dossia and its collaborators at Children’s Hospital Boston are poised to make the vision of a secure and easy-to-use electronic personal health record a practical and sustainable reality.”

Dossia Allies at Launch – December 2006

“The American Academy of Pediatrics welcomes this important commitment of resources from private sector employers to help make electronic personal health records available to our patients,” said **Alan E. Zuckerman, MD, FAAP of the AAP Council on Clinical Information Technology**. “We view personal health records as an important strategy to improve quality and efficiency of our healthcare system. We look forward to continuing to provide input on the special requirements for children, and the opportunities to use this tool to improve communication between physicians and patients.”

“The National Association of Manufacturers fully supports this effort to enable employees, their dependents and retirees to maintain lifelong electronic health records,” said **NAM President John Engler**. “The use of health IT is critical for attaining value driven health care- better quality at affordable costs. The NAM applauds the corporate leaders who are making this possible. In the manufacturing sector, innovative technology streamlines operations resulting in reduced costs, increased efficiency and better quality- all necessary to compete in a global marketplace. Health IT offers the same benefits for health care. As such, the NAM will continue to drive health IT and work toward a better health care system for employees, retirees and the future generation.”

"This effort holds tremendous potential to improve population health by making it easier for individuals and families to stay healthy through prevention. People will be able to more conveniently monitor their health, assure that they have appropriate health screening tests, take care of existing health conditions, and share their health information with health professionals to enhance the quality and consistency of health care they receive," said **Dr. Julie Gerberding, Director of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention**.

“Dossia has the potential to positively impact millions of workers and their families, and it should serve as a call to other employers across the country to help their employees take control of their own personal health records,” said **Linda Golodner, National Consumers League president**.