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## News Release

### LarsonAllen and Validus Join in Strategic Relationship

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**MINNEAPOLIS**—Effective July 24, 2009, Minneapolis-based Validus Consulting (Validus) and LarsonAllen LLP (LarsonAllen) will subcontract with each other to offer clients expanded services, particularly with respect to revenue cycle improvement, electronic health record (EHR) initiatives, and enterprise risk advisory services (ERAS).

“Many of our clients have been seeking to modernize their medical records and improve their revenue cycle under ever-tighter financial constraints,” says John Richter, principal-in-charge of LarsonAllen health care. “Validus’ experience and knowledge will help LarsonAllen better serve clients in these areas.”

Validus has successfully supported numerous hospital and clinic improvement projects as well as EHR initiatives, areas LarsonAllen’s health care team is focused on implementing for its client base. Validus will also support LarsonAllen’s revenue cycle growth strategy services, and the two firms will jointly expand ERAS for large health systems. Validus and LarsonAllen operate as separate companies.

“We have a strong, friendly relationship with LarsonAllen professionals and have cross-referred many of our clients,” says Kim Pederson, Validus partner. “We feel that working together will lead to improved service offerings for both Validus and LarsonAllen clients.”

Validus was founded in 2002 and has grown to a firm of four principals and more than 30 consultants. The firm focuses on improving business processes and performance, managing collaborative efforts and complex projects, and evaluating, planning, and implementing IT solutions. Validus and LarsonAllen share much of the same cultural values, strategies, and visions, and the relationship creates opportunities to grow and learn together.

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