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**HILL-ROM ANNOUNCES TWO KEY AGREEMENTS TO ENHANCE NAVICARE® WATCHCHILD® SOLUTION ADDING TO EFFECTIVENESS OF PERINATAL MONITORING**

- *Agreement with AirStrip Technologies, L.P. creates virtual real-time access to patient data for enhanced comprehensive obstetrical data management via mobile devices.*
- *New relationship with ExitCare, LLC, adds important educational component increasing caregiver communication effectiveness.*

**BATESVILLE, IN (June 23, 2008)** – Hill-Rom (NYSE: HRC) today announced two new agreements to enhance and add integrated functions and value for the company’s NaviCare® WatchChild® solution.

The agreement with AirStrip Technologies brings the value of the innovative AirStrip OB™ product. This state-of-the-art software application allows obstetricians to use their own PDAs and Smartphones to remotely access virtual real-time waveform data for both the mother and fetus, increasing the physician’s ability to closely monitor their patients. The interface between Hill-Rom’s WatchChild solution and AirStrip OB will be configured to function with Hill-Rom’s original WatchChild solution as well as the enhanced version introduced this past April.

In addition, Hill-Rom’s relationship with ExitCare, L.L.C. will integrate an educational component, the ExitCare Labor & Delivery product, consisting of hundreds of Labor & Delivery patient education topics augmented with color illustrations. ExitCare Labor & Delivery provides an important tool to facilitate communication between clinicians with patients and family members.

“The NaviCare WatchChild solution has been extremely well received since the introduction of the enhanced version just a little over two months ago,” said Adam McMullin, vice president, Marketing and Strategy, Hill-Rom IT Solutions. “We are excited to form relationships with two innovative partners in AirStrip Technologies and ExitCare, L.L.C. to enhance the value of our WatchChild

solutions. We know these additions will help caregivers help their patients and ultimately, enhance outcomes for them. That's a powerful proposition and one we are pleased to be able to bring to market together."

The newly introduced, enhanced WatchChild solution evolved from a recognized need to provide an integrated and intuitive way to manage obstetrical operations, including reporting, communication, care plan development, skin and fall assessment screening and operating room record/pre-anesthesia checklists. The NaviCare WatchChild solution also offers state-of-the-art data archiving capability to help manage long-and-short-term liability risks for hospitals and caregivers. Both relationships announced today will extend and expand ease of use for caregivers, in turn, enhancing outcomes for their patients.

The NaviCare WatchChild solution is part of the NaviCare® Clinical Operations Platform. In February 2008, Hill-Rom introduced an enhanced NaviCare Clinical Operations Platform designed to support hospital efforts to provide improved patient safety, quality of care and operational efficiency.

### **ABOUT AIRSTRIP TECHNOLOGIES, L.P.**

Headquartered in San Antonio, Texas, AirStrip Technologies is a pioneer in mobile, medical software applications designed to work across any platform. The core technology team is committed to bringing best-of-breed products to the market that enhance the ability of physicians and healthcare professionals to perform their work on a daily basis with the added assurances that their patients are being provided the best care available. Visit [www.airstriptech.com](http://www.airstriptech.com) for more information.

### **ABOUT EXITCARE, LLC**

ExitCare, LLC is a privately held company formed in 1996 to create patient education content and software. ExitCare is a consumer healthcare information company providing enterprise wide patient education solutions, meeting the needs of the office-based physician to the hospital's Labor and Delivery, Surgery, Emergency Departments and overall inpatient needs. The text is augmented with color illustrations to enhance the patient's understanding. Common topics have been translated into Spanish, Russian, Portuguese, Tagalog, Haitian Creole and Vietnamese. The Company will add Canadian French in 2008. ExitCare is installed in hundreds of patient care sites nationwide.

[www.exitcare.com](http://www.exitcare.com)

### **ABOUT HILL-ROM**

Hill-Rom is a leading worldwide manufacturer and provider of medical technologies and related services for the health care industry, including patient support systems, non-invasive therapeutic products for a variety of acute and chronic medical conditions, medical equipment rentals, and information technology solutions. Hill-Rom's comprehensive product and service offerings are used by health care providers across the health care continuum in hospitals, extended care facilities and home care settings to enhance the safety and quality of patient care.

Hill-Rom...*enhancing outcomes for patients and their caregivers.*

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