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TSA and Continua Health Alliance Partner to Advance Healthcare

June 16, 2010 - The Telecare Services Association (TSA) and Continua Health Alliance today announced their new liaison partnership. This agreement will partner TSA's expertise in standards development within telecare and telehealth to Continua's development of interoperable healthcare Guidelines and solutions for information exchange, as they work toward the development of a telecare over IP Use Case.

TSA is the representative body for the UK telecare and telehealth industry. The organisation currently has more than 350 member organisations, who supply and/or service the majority of the 1.7 million telecare and telehealth connections in the UK. TSA has been committed to the development of quality standards since its inception in 1995, and the latest industry standard, the 2009 Telecare Code of Practice, is the only bespoke telecare quality standard available in the UK. TSA will partner with Continua Health Alliance, the international organisation of more than 230 leading healthcare and technology companies, to progress the telecare over IP use case to ensure international standards approach and establish a certifiable technical solution. This use case will showcase interoperable solutions for those aging independently and allow for that information to flow seamlessly into health records. This is a positive step for both organisations in the provision of personal connected healthcare solutions for the industry, specifically benefiting those who choose to live independently. The results will include additional TSA standards, as well as complimentary Continua Certified™ solutions.

"The significant experience of the TSA membership across telecare and telehealth, and our unique position within standards development for the industry, will assist Continua Health Alliance in their work towards interoperability in the connected healthcare industry," Stated David Foster, TSA Board Director.

"Continua Health Alliance is dedicated to enabling a marketplace of personal connected health solutions to empower consumers and patients to manage their personal health and live comfortably in their lives," said Chuck Parker, Executive Director, Continua Health Alliance. "Continua has developed design guidelines based on existing standards and determined use cases to ensure interoperability in the development of Continua Certified™ devices. We are excited to work with TSA developing these use cases, with their commitment to standards in the connected healthcare industry."

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About TSA

Telecare Services Association (TSA) is the representative body for the UK telecare and telehealth industry. It works with government, commissioners, suppliers and service providers in the development of national telecare strategy, and promotes the benefits of telecare and telehealth, which helps older people and vulnerable adults to lead independent lives. It developed, and maintains, the Telecare Code of Practice – the only customer-centred code of practice available for telecare. This independently audited Code was designed in the UK by telecare experts and undergoes regular updates to remain current and relevant. For more information visit www.telecare.org.uk

About Continua

Continua Health Alliance is a non-profit, open industry coalition of the finest health care and technology companies joining together in collaboration to improve the quality of personal health care. With more than 230 member companies around the world, Continua is dedicated to establishing a system of interoperable personal health solutions with the knowledge that extending those solutions into the home fosters independence, empowers individuals and provides the opportunity for truly personalized health and wellness management. For more information visit: www.continuaalliance.org.