

P.A.I.D, Inc. announces phase I clinical trial for the first Verbally Prompting Incentive Spirometer, (VPIS), incorporating the advanced MEDICHIP® into an incentive spirometer, providing audible humanlike words, programmed instructions, and verbal coaching to patients, in any language.

Carson City, NV, September 17, 2008/Link-Med -- P.A.I.D., Inc. in association with Boca Raton Community Hospital, Boca Raton, Florida announces the initiation of a phase I clinical trial for its Verbally Prompting Incentive Spirometer (VPIS), that instructs by words or phrases in a language of the patient's choice. The verbal prompting ability of the VPIS, is made possible by the integration of the MEDICHIP®, which can be added to any traditional incentive spirometer. The Voldyne 5000, produced by Hudson RCI, was used for this clinical trial. The MEDICHIP® can be adapted to fit into the housing of any incentive spirometer, guaranteeing a significant improvement in compliance to the physician prescribed, post operative, Sustained Maximal Inspiration (SMI) respiratory exercises.

Medichip Technologies, Inc., anticipates the future use of the MEDICHIP®, to be incorporated into hundreds of products, in various medical device applications, where increased patient compliance and reduced ancillary medical assistance is needed. P.A.I.D. Inc., holds the registered patent, (#6,942,625), for the VPIS application. Medichip Technologies, Inc., has also been given patent allowance, by the USPTO, which will allow the application of this new technology in all medical devices.

ABOUT VPIS:

VOICE PROMPTING INCENTIVE SPIROMETERS (VPIS), utilizing the MEDICHIP®, contain a timer that is programmed by the patient's physician, according to AARC recommendations or specific patient conditions. The MEDICHIP® utilizes logic and mathematical calculations, integrated directly into the binary codes within the chip itself, allowing various prompting messages in an assortment of languages. These binary codes provide a unique system, which audibly alerts and prompts the patient, in a humanlike voice, alerting the patient when it is time to initiate a series of therapeutic exercises. The VPIS continues to audibly prompt the patient until the incentive spirometer is picked up, and the series of exercises is completed, thus ensuring complete patient compliance. The VPIS is expected to greatly improve patient compliance for physician prescribed, post-operative, sustained maximal inspiration (SMI) respiratory exercises. It is anticipated that improved compliance will result in reduced post-operative respiratory complications, possibly reducing hospital recovery times, and reducing the need for ancillary medical assistance. All of these benefits will lead to faster recovery times for patients, as well as substantial cost savings for hospitals.

Dr. Arthur Katz, head of Cardiothoracic Surgery at Boca Raton Community Hospital, and a Diplomat of the Thoracic Society, is Chief Investigator for P.A.I.D.'s Phase I Clinical Trial.

ABOUT MEDICHIP®:

The new MEDICHIP® utilized in the VPIS unit, provides a number of significant improvements when compared to all existing incentive spirometers:

1. The VPIS contains a built in timer, programmed to meet AARC and physician recommendations, to remind the patient when to start each exercise session. It will continue to prompt the patient until the unit is picked up and the proper number of exercises is completed, ensuring patient compliance.
2. The VPIS also provides a coaching function that verbally communicates to patients their Tidal Volume scores, compared to levels achieved in previous exercise sessions. This product feature encourages patients to maximize their exercise efforts. The VPIS unit's audible function also assists visually impaired patients, who cannot read their scores using traditional incentive spirometers, and can now hear their results.
3. THE VPIS unit includes a unique docking station, which enables nurses to quickly download data from each patient, on a daily basis, and forward it to the patient's physician. This enables physicians and nurses to quickly identify patient compliance issues and other respiratory problems, taking corrective action on a more-timely basis. Additionally, collected data can also be uploaded to other computers, including the central control area of the hospital, for off site analysis by physicians, insurance companies, or any other agencies requiring validation of patient results.

ABOUT POSITIVE AUDIBLE INCENTIVE DEVICES, INC. (P.A.I.D.)

P.A.I.D., Inc. was established in 2004 as a private corporation, for funding the development of technology to improve compliance to the existing incentive spirometer, utilizing the uniquely designed MEDICHIP®. Physically located in Florida, the company has been actively involved with leading manufacturers of incentive spirometers, worldwide.

During 2007, P.A.I.D. Inc. entered into a relationship with Medichip Technologies, Inc., a privately held development corporation, to expand this technology. Medichip Technologies, Inc. is actively pursuing the integration of this unique electronic product, currently labeled "MEDICHIP®", into all medical devices where improving patient compliance is considered beneficial.

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