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**Truven Health Analytics Receives Accreditation from National Institute
for Health and Care Excellence**

Five-year accreditation validates company's Micromedex® clinical decision support (CDS) solution is among the most robustly produced, evidence-based CDS tools available to healthcare professionals

Ann Arbor, Michigan, May 2, 2013 – [Truven Health Analytics™](#), formerly the Healthcare business of Thomson Reuters, today announced a five-year accreditation from the [National Institute for Health and Care Excellence \(NICE\)](#) for content development processes for the [Micromedex® Medication Management](#) product. The NICE Accreditation Advisory Committee found that Truven Health Analytics has a robust process for producing the content in its database used in clinical decision support products.

NICE Accreditation helps healthcare professionals identify the most trusted sources of guidance, developed using critically-evaluated, high-quality processes, which support the delivery of quality care.

The NICE Accreditation Advisory Committee evaluated the processes used by Truven Health Micromedex Solutions to develop and maintain the clinical information in its online database ([Micromedex® Medication Management – drug evaluations and summaries](#)), which assists clinicians to make informed and safe decisions about patients' medication and care management decisions at the point of care. The Committee found that the processes used by Truven Health to produce content in its database are of high quality, meeting 22 of the 23 applicable accreditation criteria.

"We recognize that the database facilitates the process of safe prescribing of both on- and off-label medicines so clinicians can make informed diagnosis and treatment decisions," said Carl Parker, M.D., Vice Chair, NICE Accreditation Advisory Committee. "It's clear that Truven has a strong systematic process for searching and identifying the evidence base that is used to populate its content database."

Truven Health is among the first organizations to have its process for content development for its clinical decision support solution accredited by NICE, providing confidence in the information used to improve patient care.

"We are honored to be recognized by NICE, which is known internationally for promoting excellence in patient care," said Mike Boswood, president and chief executive officer of Truven Health Analytics. "The accreditation acknowledges the tradition of editorial excellence our team has built up over decades of hard work and recognizes the potential that Micromedex content has to improve patient care."



More information about accreditation is available at www.nice.org.uk/accreditation.

About Truven Health Analytics:

Truven Health Analytics delivers unbiased information, analytic tools, benchmarks and services to the healthcare industry. Hospitals, government agencies, employers, health plans, clinicians, and pharmaceutical companies have relied on its solutions for over 30 years. Truven Health Analytics combines deep clinical, financial and healthcare management expertise with innovative technology platforms and information assets to make healthcare better, collaborating with customers to uncover and realize opportunities for improving quality, efficiency, and outcomes. Truven Health Analytics owns some of the most trusted, proven brands in healthcare such as **Micromedex**, Action OI and Advantage Suite. **Truven Health Analytics** employs approximately 2,200 people worldwide and has its principal offices in Ann Arbor, Mich; Chicago; and Denver. For more information, please visit www.truvenhealth.com.

About National Institute for Health and Care Excellence (NICE):

The U.K.-based National Institute for Health and Care Excellence (NICE) is the independent organization responsible for providing national guidance and standards on the promotion of good health and the prevention and treatment of ill health. The NICE Accreditation Programme verifies the most robustly-produced guidance available to health and social care professionals, enabling them to drive quality outcomes that are among the best in the world. It uses rigorous assessment processes based on international standards for guideline development produced by the Appraisal of Guidelines Research and Evaluation collaboration (AGREE II) instrument.

Accreditation evaluates only the processes used to develop content and excludes recommendations displayed by decision support systems in specific clinical settings as these are dependent on technical algorithms which are outside the scope of accreditation. Accreditation can be used to inform compliance with 0129 — Clinical Safety Risk Management System — Manufacture of Health Software (DSCN 14/2009) and ISB 0160 — Clinical Safety Risk Management System — Deployment and Use of Health Software (18/2009), but cannot be used in isolation to release any product for clinical use.

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