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TCGRx Announces Healthmark Partnership to Launch Vial Shredder
Product Cuts Pharmacy Costs While Addressing Patient Privacy

POWERS LAKE, Wis.—May, 26, 2009 TCGRx (TCG), one of North America's leaders in pharmacy automation and workflow solutions across multiple markets, announced today a partnership with Healthmark to cross-promote the company's new vial shredder.

"We partnered with Healthmark because they are a leader in the Canadian Healthcare marketplace. TCGRx and Healthmark are companies on the cutting-edge of pharmacy technology and dedicated to improving pharmacy efficiency and patient safety," says TCGRx CEO Duane Chudy. "The TCGRx AVS-100 Vial Shredder gives pharmacies the immediate protection they need to meet the requirements of Patient Privacy Policies. It is important that pharmacies destroy vials and labels immediately to reduce their legal liability, and we have developed a cost-effective, easy to use product to help them stay on top of HIPPA law; a law that could cost them millions of dollars if they are not in compliance," says Chudy.

TCG's AVS-100 vial shredder gives pharmacies an immediate method to protect patient information. Shredding and destroying the patient label right in the pharmacy is convenient and helps to reduce patient identity theft. The AVS-100 safely shreds these plastic vials and lids eliminating the tedious and time consuming method of removing patient labels by hand. This unit shreds over 100 vials in under 45 seconds so the unit can be run once a day in a typical pharmacy. The unit is user friendly and very compact to easily fit into your pharmacy.

By reducing waste disposal to 25% of its original volume, the AVS-100 can help to lower pick-up costs for trash or recyclable material. The AVS-100 efficiently shreds vials that can be recycled helping to promote Green Initiatives and to aid in protecting the environment.

The AVS-100 can service customers who return vials rather than disposing them at home. The AVS-100 can also handle unclaimed will call vials and destroy patient-labeled vials while saving pharmacists' and technicians' time and adding an extra patient incentive to use your pharmacy.

"We decided to get a vial shredder to address the HIPPA concerns. Before receiving the vial shredder, we were placing black marks over the names on the vials when receiving them back for refill then throwing them in the garbage. This was not adequate for disposal. TCGRx had a solution to take care of the HIPPA concerns, so we chose to purchase a vial shredder from them. It obliterates the names on the labels and the low residue makes less waste in the garbage. We are very pleased with the product and have no worries now with being HIPPA compliant," said Owner Wayne MacArdy, Phillips Pharmacy, Mauston, Wis.

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About Healthmark

Healthmark manufactures and distributes medical products to the Canadian Healthcare marketplace. Over the past 17 years Healthmark has developed a strong reputation for providing innovative Pharmacy and IV products and systems that offer cost-effectiveness, safety and ease of use. Healthmark is respected for a high level of customer service and support. Healthmark is known for a comprehensive line of products utilized by Hospitals and Homecare Infusion Providers for Intravenous and Chemotherapy Drug Preparation and Unit Dose Drug Packaging/Dispensing. This includes everything from million dollar automation down to the simplest disposable product – all geared to provide greater safety, maximum efficiency and cost benefits.

More recently, Healthmark has expanded into automation geared to the Retail Pharmacy and Long Term Care Provider market. This includes automated pouch and blister card packaging/dispensing, automated medication vial filling and “pick to light” storage and retrieval optimization systems. For more information, visit www.healthmark.ca.

About TCGRX

TCGRx offers the most reliable pharmacy automation on the market and strategically develops customized technology solutions backed by decades of experience. Our staff designs and integrates packaging devices, workflow software, and other individual products to improve the overall process in your pharmacy. TCGRx is dedicated to providing superior customer service and support with one of the most extensive support networks in the market. TCGRx can provide consultation services for planning the most cost-effective method to give pharmacies safe, efficient, and accurate solutions.

TCGRx is an industry leader in automation and design services for hospital, long-term care, retail, and specialty pharmacy markets. The company has a strong presence in all pharmacy markets throughout the United States and Canada. TCGRx headquarters is located in Powers Lake, WI. For more information, visit www.tcgrx.com.

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