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# News Release

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## **Conifer Purchases Receivables from St. Joseph Medical Center**

DALLAS -- Conifer Revenue Cycle Solutions, Inc. announces it has purchased approximately 39,000 outstanding patient accounts from St. Joseph Medical Center in Houston, Texas. The accounts receivable stem from patient liabilities owed to the medical center for services rendered over the past three years.

Under terms of the agreement, Conifer purchased the accounts from St. Joseph and will now use its proprietary processes and workflows to manage them. In return, St. Joseph Medical Center receives immediate payment for the receivables -- providing the hospital with capital for additional healthcare services and programs in the Houston community.

“As a revenue cycle company that was created from within a hospital corporation, Conifer understands the critical challenge that hospitals face as they try to balance collecting patient receivables and maintaining patient satisfaction,” says Conifer Revenue Cycle Solutions President Stephen M. Mooney. “We have the experience and scale needed to help St. Joseph Medical Center improve its financial position, which in turn grows our business.”

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## **About Conifer**

Conifer Revenue Cycle Solutions and Conifer Patient Communications are operating subsidiaries of Conifer Health Solutions, Inc. They provide services to more than 100 hospitals and health systems nationwide. Conifer Revenue Cycle Solutions utilizes proprietary workflows and technology to offer comprehensive revenue cycle services ranging from patient pre-registration through the processing of governmental, managed care and self-pay claims. Conifer Patient Communications provides best-in-class communication services that include physician referrals, patient education, marketing services and pre-admission clinical appropriateness reviews.

Born from healthcare, Conifer Health Solutions is headquartered in Dallas, Texas, and employs more than 2,000 people. For more information, call 1-877-CONIFER or visit the company's Web site at [www.coniferhealth.com](http://www.coniferhealth.com).

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