



## **Massachusetts General Hospital Expands Use of LiveData Integration Technology, Further Deploying OR-Dashboard**

*Electronic Surgery Checklist Feature, "Automated Time Out," Being Added to 34 New and Existing MGH Installations*

CAMBRIDGE, Mass., December 3, 2010 – LiveData, Inc. today announced that Massachusetts General Hospital (MGH) has expanded its deployment of LiveData OR-Dashboard to five additional operating rooms. LiveData, a leader in team communication tools and operational analytics, reported that the system is now being deployed in one pediatric and four cardiac ORs, to go along with the existing Operating Room of the Future and two general surgery ORs.

In addition to these six rooms, MGH will open their new Lunder Building in June, 2011, equipping all 28 new ORs with OR-Dashboard. At that time, the 28 new and six existing ORs will also be equipped with OR-Dashboard's latest feature, Active Time Out, which automates Safe Surgery Checklist protocols that have been advocated and/or mandated by such organizations as the Joint Commission and World Health Organization.

LiveData OR-Dashboard presents essential information about the patient and surgical case to the entire OR team in real-time, integrating data from patient records, administrative systems, physiological monitors, and medical devices. Presented on a large, flat panel display in the OR, the dashboard is visible from anywhere in the OR, and is updated automatically throughout the perioperative process.

"These deployments demonstrate a real commitment, one that can only result from an ongoing and longstanding record of success," said LiveData CEO Jeff Robbins. "The experience at MGH highlights how LiveData's people and products continue to advance the state-of-the-art in practical patient safety systems. We are proud of the way our relationship has evolved over these past years, and appreciate the confidence represented in this growing commitment."

The project, bringing together teams from Massachusetts General Hospital and LiveData, goes back almost six years, since OR-Dashboard was conceptualized and co-developed, at the Operating Room of the Future, by MGH clinicians in collaboration with LiveData's engineering team. After the initial deployment of OR-Dashboard, LiveData and MGH have continued to develop the ongoing technology and clinical applications.

Improvements such as the Active Time Out are a natural outgrowth of the business relationship. Active Time Out functionality automatically displays checklist items precisely when needed. Impossible to ignore, these electronic checklists are visible from every area of the OR. Everyone sees the same information at the right time. The checklists include key safety steps for perioperative care that have been shown to significantly reduce complications and deaths from surgery.

"The LiveData system automatically presents key patient information to the entire team. Everyone sees the same information at the same time, and this enhances effective communication and helps the team adhere to essential safety protocols," explained Phil Brzezinski, Vice President of Healthcare Systems at LiveData. "Patient safety is improved by the flow of information from the intraoperative phase into the PACU (recovery). Our next project will address the entire perioperative process, from pre-op through intra-op and post-op. We strive to significantly improve the quality of the patient's hand off, not only from the pre-op area but especially from the OR to recovery."

**About LiveData**

LiveData, Inc. is a leading innovator in real-time data integration and display technology. The company's solutions gather data from any number of sources, coordinate it with team workflow, and present it as meaningful information on easy-to-read graphic displays. Leading medical institutions, including Massachusetts General Hospital, Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center, and NewYork-Presbyterian Hospital, have selected LiveData OR-Dashboard to improve patient safety, team communication, and perioperative efficiency. Founded in 1991, LiveData is headquartered in Cambridge, Massachusetts. Information is available at [www.livedata.com](http://www.livedata.com).

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