

## Press Release

# Sogeti and Swedish Norrbotten County Council Named Winners at Microsoft Health Users Group 2012 Innovation Awards

**IT solution VIS-Care, implemented within Swedish Norrbotten County Council in collaboration with IT consultancy Sogeti, continues to be praised as a top solution. The previous Vitalis award win is now complemented with a new award at HIMSS Conference & Exhibition, a global event for the health care sector currently taking place in Las Vegas.**

**February 23, 2012, Las Vegas, U.S.** – Swedish Norrbotten County Council (NLL) and Sogeti today received a 2012 MSHUG Innovation Award in the category Health Information Management during the annual HIMSS conference. The winning IT solution within NLL is called VIS-Care. VIS-Care is being implemented within the entire organization and makes quality-assured health-related information available, connected to the patient's journey, throughout the healthcare process within the County Council of Norrbotten. VIS-Care encourages the organization to provide and store information related to diagnosis and action – and is the foundation to a learning organization.

“Ultimately, this is about improving patient safety, but it is also about the staff's trust in existing documentation and the consequences that arise when deficiencies occurs,” said Anna-Greta Brodin and Per Pohjanen, the initiators behind VIS-Care at NLL.

Steve Aylward, general manager of U.S. Commercial Health and Life Sciences at Microsoft, shared the reasons behind the win:

“The 2012 Microsoft HUG Innovation Awards recognizes health organizations that are using technology to improve patient care, reduce costs, streamline clinical and business processes and enable informed decisions. Each of this year's winners clearly demonstrated the innovative use of IT to improve traditional business or clinical processes and, as a result, positively impact patient care within their organization.”

“We are extremely proud to receive this award. It clearly shows that we are on the right path concerning our constantly ongoing work to secure a high quality for our health care and its routines. Our joint win together with our partner Sogeti is a result of a strong collaboration from both a business and technology point of view,” said Mats Brännström, Director of Health Care Divisions at NLL.

Working closely with the client, IT consultancy Sogeti has developed a portal for the VIS-Care solution. The portal is based on the Microsoft platform SharePoint Server 2010.

“We are fortunate to have great partners like the Swedish Norrbotten County Council and Microsoft. We are very proud to have developed this leading edge solution that will have a material impact on the quality of health care of thousands of people,” said Sanjeev Agarwal, Global Microsoft Alliance Manager at Sogeti.

### **One Solution – To Portals**

VIS-Care consists of two main functions. The first is an editor portal. In the portal the organization is producing, reviewing and approving practices that will be made available to staff. There are functions for search, collaboration, versioning and

workflows. All information in the portal is tagged with metadata, for example based on the international code registry of ICD10.

The second function is a consumer portal. It contains a number of tools to support caregivers in their daily work. They can, when searching for a specific diagnosis, get quality-assured care practices regarding that specific diagnosis. They also find news on the intranet and contact information to those who have expertise in particular areas. This is made possible by using a powerful search engine, and features such as filtering, paging, and the best choice (like sponsored links). There are also pages where accumulated knowledge about a diagnosis or preferred action is shown. In addition, the consumer gets access to the authorized health care practices, internal links and blogs.

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Read more about HIMSS: [www.himssconference.org](http://www.himssconference.org)

Read more about the Norrbotten County Council: [www.nll.se](http://www.nll.se)

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#### **About Microsoft HUG 2012 Innovation Awards**

Now in its 15th year, the awards program honors health organizations and independent software vendors and systems integrators who create the most impactful and innovative health solutions with Microsoft-based products. This year's winners were honored at an awards ceremony on the evening of February 22 at the HIMSS Annual Conference & Exhibition. To join Microsoft HUG, please visit <http://mshug.org>.