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**EMPLOYEE CLINIC HELPS CORPORATION DECREASE HEALTHCARE COSTS**  
***CareHere operated employee clinic improves care and reduces health costs***  
***according to health data analyses provided by Med-Vision's health plan strategists.***

**Sept. 22, 2011 (Tampa, Fla.)** – Strategic wellness efforts and a free clinic for the employees and dependents of a major snack food giant's manufacturing facility has significantly reduced medical costs while decreasing employee health risks.

The manufacturing facility opened its clinic in April 2010 to service 1800 onsite employees. The clinic was installed by and operated by [CareHere, LLC](#), a Tennessee-based firm with more than 100 workplace-based clinics providing primary medical and occupational healthcare nationwide.

At no cost to the employee, the clinic allows employees to see a doctor for routine checkups, lab work, pharmaceuticals, preventive visits for acute conditions such as the flu, as well as disease management of chronic illnesses such as diabetes.

"Easier medical access translates to healthier employees with fewer absences and promotes disease prevention, which is key to catching illnesses before they become chronic conditions that are expensive to treat," said Ernie Clevenger, President of CareHere, LLC. "These improved outcomes results in lowered healthcare costs."

[Med-Vision, LLC](#), a health data analytics firm providing health planning strategies for the manufacturing facility since 2008, has conducted a year-over-year comparison, analyzing the April 2009 to March 2010 health claims data compared to April 2010 to March 2011. Results include:

- CareHere's clinic and disease management programs have helped decrease claim costs in relation to chronic disease. The manufacturing facility experienced a 6 percent decrease in total amount of diabetes claims paid, while other locations operated by the snack food giant saw an 83 percent increase.
- The manufacturing facility experienced a 5 percent decrease in healthcare spend, partly due to a 17 percent decrease in ER visits and a decrease in lab costs.

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- The manufacturing facility experienced a 41 percent decrease in prescription costs despite a 16 percent increase in dispensed medications, which reflects better medical utilization at a lower cost.

In addition to measuring care gaps and disease registries through HIPAA compliant data analyses, Med-Vision has helped the manufacturing facility promote a commitment to employee wellness by developing an integrated benefit design.

“Onsite care with preventive screenings, wellness programs, and strategic health planning have proven effective for identifying health risks early and reducing health costs,” said Dan Ross, president of Med-Vision, LLC.

**About Med-Vision, LLC:** Founded in 2005 and based in Tampa, Med-Vision delivers health plan risk management and wellness strategies to help employer groups achieve optimal employee health and productivity. Med-Vision specifically caters to the needs of self-funded employer plan sponsors and currently impacts health plan members across the nation. Med-Vision has helped corporations, healthcare facilities, municipalities, and school districts to reduce risk, reverse trends, and decrease healthcare costs while increasing quality of care for their employees. See client results at <http://www.med-vision.com/tv-nbc.html>.

**About CareHere, LLC:** CareHere specializes in primary medical care, occupational health services and comprehensive onsite laboratory diagnostics. In just seven years, CareHere has grown from two Tennessee-based clinics to more than 100 nationwide. For more information about CareHere or their services, contact Bernie Livers at (615) 495-5299, [blivers@carehere.com](mailto:blivers@carehere.com) and visit [www.CareHere.com](http://www.CareHere.com) or call 615-312-8200.

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