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## TWENTY-NINE GRADUATE ALLSCRIPTS IT APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAM FUNDING SECURED BY SENATOR LEAHY

**Williston, VT**—Vermont HITEC of Williston announced today that twenty-nine of thirty students graduated from a one year IT apprenticeship program at Allscripts of South Burlington. The students were enrolled in an eight-week training program last fall and also entered a paid, one-year state registered apprenticeship that offers stepped-up wages and full salaries upon completion. The students began their training at a \$35,000 annual salary and are now earning \$55,000 per year.

Vermont HITEC is a career training organization that partners with employers to educate and train students in the fields of healthcare, information technology and advanced manufacturing. Allscripts is a leading global provider of electronic health records and other technologies. The training program was funded in part by a \$2 million dollar grant acquired by U.S. Senator Patrick Leahy administered through the U.S. Department of Labor.

In addition to full-time employment, students also received a *Interface Analyst Certificate of Completion* from the Apprenticeship Division of U.S. Department of Labor and a Vermont HITEC ertificate of completion from the *Vermont Information Technology Apprenticeship Readiness Program (Vermont ITAR)*. Twenty-nine of thirty students completed both the eight-week and one year apprenticeship program successfully. Twenty-eight students remain employed full-time as Interface Analyst.

"Vermont is working hard to meet employer needs and keep as many high-tech jobs in Vermont as possible," says U.S. Senator Patrick Leahy. "These jobs will have a direct impact on improving the lives of unemployed and underemployed Vermonters, opening doors to move into new careers that lead to increased wages, benefits and responsibilities -- all, vital elements to economic growth."

Diane Adams, Allscripts Executive Vice President of Culture and Talent, commented, "We're grateful to Senator Leahy and Vermont HITEC for their leadership and support in offering this important program."

## About Vermont HITEC, Inc.

Vermont HITEC is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization with a mission to educate, train and employ Vermonters in a variety of fields. Vermont HITEC has employed over 600 Vermonters over the past eleven years in the fields of healthcare, information technology and advanced manufacturing, partnering with Vermont businesses. For more information visit <u>http://www.vthitec.org</u>.

## About Allscripts, Inc.

Allscripts (NASDAQ: MDRX) provides innovative solutions that empower all stakeholders across the healthcare continuum to deliver world-class outcomes. The company's Electronic Health Record, Computerized Physician Order Entry and other clinical, financial, connectivity and information solutions for hospitals, physicians and post-acute organizations are the essential technologies that enable a Connected Community of Health(TM). For more information visit: Allscripts, visit http://www.allscripts.com/, Twitter, Facebook and YouTube.

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