

## Argus Reinvents As Pharmacy Benefit Partner Change Brings New Service Offerings, New Customers

**KANSAS CITY, MO (April 18, 2001)** - Argus is unveiling its new corporate identity at AMCP's 13th Annual Conference this week.

The introduction of this new identity highlights Argus' position in the market as a pharmacy benefit partner to managed care organizations and other pharmacy benefit providers.

The company is distinguished by offering full disclosure; focusing on customers' objectives; providing multiple access points to critical information; and offering customizable, thought-leading, and innovative business solutions.

Argus has a solid history and an outstanding reputation for providing superior-quality claims processing and reporting to its customers. As a portion of repositioning the company, Argus has built an exciting new product offering on this foundation and is developing browser interfaces for:

- Claims Processing
- Rebate Contracting and Modeling
- Rebate Administration
- Ad Hoc Reporting
- Physician Connectivity

With the addition of these new services and Argus' unique position in the marketplace, the company is rapidly growing its customer base. Argus has signed six sizeable new clients since January 2001.

"In our new identity, we have a symbol that truly embodies our principles and the value that we place on partnering with customers. We feel this transition, coupled with our proven quality of service, opens us up to endless opportunity," said Argus president, Charles Schellhorn.

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Argus Health Systems is the leading independent provider of claims processing, information services and administrative support for pharmacy program management. Since its founding in 1983, Argus has grown from processing 1 million claims to processing more than 172 million claims for 24 million members. Argus is a pharmacy benefit partner - offering full disclosure, and a broad range of products and services to fully satisfy customer needs. A proven tradition of excellence as a claims processor, processing hundreds of edits per second for more than 270,000 unique benefit plans, helps further set Argus apart. Building on this solid foundation, Argus has expanded its offering to include reporting features, reimbursements, call center, pharmacy network management, clinical information services and rebates. Argus' goal is to provide a total package of pharmacy benefit capabilities to its customers.

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