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Berger Joins Parente Randolph's Healthcare Consulting Group

TINTON FALLS, NJ – April 3, 2008 – John A. Beattie, Managing Director and Principal, Healthcare Consulting Group, Parente Randolph, LLC, recently announced that Michael Berger has joined the Firm as director of the Healthcare Consulting Group's Revenue Cycle Management and Operations Improvement Division.

Berger will be based in the Firm's Tinton Falls office, where he will focus on health systems and hospitals. He brings more than 20 years of healthcare experience with revenue cycle operations, management and performance improvement services to his new position. Prior to joining the Parente Randolph team, Berger held senior and practice manager positions with several "Big Four" firms and also served as director of Payor and Revenue Assurance Services for a large university medical center.

"Michael will be instrumental in assisting the Firm in further developing our services for the healthcare market, including addressing the entire revenue cycle, from access to account resolution," Beattie said.

Berger's areas of expertise include revenue cycle re-engineering, "best practices" and performance improvement. He is experienced in accounts receivable management, health information management, physician billing and eligibility and outpatient intake functions, as well as information technology strategic planning and initial patient processing redesign. In

addition, he has developed and implemented revenue cycle methodologies that were technology-enabled and provided for integrated workflow, data, productivity and performance analysis on a near real-time basis.

Berger earned his Master of Public Administration in Health Care Policy Planning & Administration from New York University School of Public Administration.

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