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Former Chief Medical Officer for Nation's Largest Customer-Owned Health Insurer Joins Amida Technology Solutions as Chief Strategy Officer

Dr. Stephen L. Ondra, Decorated Army Veteran, Served as White House Health Technology Advisor and Program Director of Neurological Surgery at Northwestern University

WASHINGTON, DC – Dr. Stephen L. Ondra, one of the nation's recognized leaders in technology-driven health care improvement, has joined Amida Technology Solutions, a Maryland-based open source software company, as Chief Strategy Officer.

Ondra brings to Amida an extensive history of health system leadership in both the public and private sectors. Most recently, he held the position of Enterprise Chief Medical Officer for the Health Care Service Corporation, the fourth largest insurer in the United States and the largest customer-owned health plan. Prior to that, he served as Chief Medical Officer of Northwestern Memorial Hospital and the interim Chair of Neurological Surgery for Northwestern University's Feinberg School of Medicine.

Ondra's service to the public is multi-faceted. He was Health Information Technology Co-Chair for the White House's National Science and Technology Council and was one of the Affordable Care Act implementation team deputies. He also served as the Senior Health Policy Advisor to the U.S. Secretary of Veterans Affairs. He is a decorated Army Veteran who served in Operation Desert Storm and Desert Shield, receiving the Bronze Star and the Army Commendation Medal.

"Steve is a perfect match for an organization that believes in the power of information to help people make the best-informed decisions, especially about their medical care," said Peter L. Levin, Amida's CEO and founder. Levin is the former Chief Technology Officer of the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs, the leader of their health record modernization initiative, and the architect of the Blue Button personal health record. "Whether in the operating room, the

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decision-making halls of Washington, or in the leadership of a health insurance organization serving 15 million Americans, Steve has been transforming our health care system for the better by putting patients at the center of their health data.”

Former Undersecretary of Defense and CEO of the Center for a New American Security, Michèle Flournoy, a member of the Amida advisory board, added, “Steve Ondra, at every stage of his career, has served his country and his fellow citizens with expertise, excellence, and a commitment to positive change. He will continue to do so in the leadership of an organization that helps their customers find optimal value in their data.”

Amida’s products include the Data Reconciliation Engine, an open source platform that extracts and ingests health data from a variety of sources and transforms it into an easy-to-use model; Indaba, a data collaboration platform that assembles distributed knowledge and dispersed expertise into data sets for analysis, dissemination, and resource allocation decisions; and Orange Rx, an integrated mobile application that helps patients to manage their medications for themselves or their dependents, and seamlessly integrates with electronic health record platforms.

Said Ondra, “Amida delivers products and services that put people – securely, reliably, and in the open source – at the center of their data. It’s rare to see a private sector company execute a mission with equal parts technical precision and fierce determination to improve our collective quality of life. I couldn’t be more excited to join the team.”

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