



Premier Awards Second Consecutive Sole-Source Supplier Contract to CBORD

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Ithaca, New York — Premier Inc., one of the nation's largest group purchasing organizations, announced its continued partnership with The CBORD Group, Inc., the leading provider of software solutions for food and nutrition management systems and cashless dining. Premier awarded CBORD its second consecutive sole-source supplier contract, once again making CBORD the exclusive provider of privilege control and dietary management systems to Premier members and affiliates through October of 2008.

"The foodservice subcommittee voted to select CBORD," says Joan Ralph, vice president of Premier's Continuum of Care program, "for its ability to provide a complete set of fully integrated solutions for healthcare foodservice. CBORD has a plan for making our member hospitals successful. CBORD's demonstrated success in this area and its strong vision for the future made them the best choice."

This partnership allows Premier to offer discounted pricing on value-added software packages to its healthcare members and affiliates, improving the efficiencies of its foodservice operations.

"CBORD is proud of our ability to provide market leading solutions for acute care and long-term care, automating clinical nutrition, cashless dining, food management and web-based ordering tools in an integrated system from a single supplier," said CBORD president & ceo Tim Tighe. "We're looking forward to further developing the successful partnership with Premier members that we have had for many years."

About Premier, Inc.

Premier, Inc., the leader in helping hospitals accelerate

performance on both clinical outcomes and supply chain costs, is a healthcare alliance entirely owned by more than 200 of the nation's leading not-for-profit hospital and healthcare systems. These organizations operate or are affiliated with more than 1,400 hospitals and more than 37,000 other healthcare sites. [Premier Purchasing Partners](#) provides group purchasing totaling more than \$25 billion annually in supplies and equipment, as well as supply chain and clinical performance improvement services. [Premier Healthcare Informatics](#) offers performance measurement, benchmarking, and reporting products and advisory services. [Premier Insurance Management Services](#) helps hospitals manage insurance costs and improve risk management and claims capabilities. Headquartered in San Diego, CA, Premier has offices in Charlotte, NC, Chicago, and Washington, DC. For more information, visit www.premierinc.com

About The CBORD Group, Inc.

The CBORD Group, Inc. serves a wide variety of clients in healthcare facilities, colleges and universities, corporations, chain restaurants, supermarkets, and gaming locations. The company's products are used in foodservice, catering, nutrition services, campus ID card privilege control, housing services, cashless dining, and other institution-wide activities. The CBORD Group serves more than 6,500 organizations in the U.S., Canada, Europe, the Middle East, and Australia.

CBORD was founded in 1975. Today it employs over 440 professionals. Visit CBORD at www.cbord.com for more information.

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