

Press release

Mediq acquires company seconding nursing personnel

As from today, Mediq has acquired Medisource, a company seconding mainly nursing personnel. Mediq is increasingly delivering pharmaceuticals and medical supplies directly to people in home care situations, often in combination with advice and instruction by nursing personnel. The acquisition of Medisource ties in with Mediq's strategy to expand services at people's homes.

Medisource has about 150 staff, including nurse practitioners, doctors, healthcare practice support staff and doctor's assistants. They are among others deployed in home healthcare settings, at GPs, Municipal Health Services (GGD) and Mental Health Care (GGZ) institutions, hospitals and pharmaceutical companies. Mediq Direct already uses the services of Medisource. The head office will continue to be located in Rijswijk. Medisource's sales amounted to around € 5 million in 2009.

The acquisition of Medisource enables all business units of Mediq to deploy nurse practitioners directly if required. Marcel van den Broek, Executive Vice President of Mediq Direct & Institutional: "The acquisition of Medisource marks an important step for Mediq towards its aim of offering comprehensive therapies at home. This will enable us to provide even better support for our customers at home, taking into account their personal wishes and circumstances."

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Mediq is a retail and distribution company for pharmaceuticals and medical supplies. Mediq is active in three channels: operating pharmacies and wholesaling (*Pharmacies*), providing medical supplies for home healthcare and related services (*Direct*), and marketing and distributing pharmaceuticals and medical supplies to hospitals and nursing homes (*Institutional*). Mediq focuses on the consumer, supplying products through whatever channel the consumer wishes. As well as being the market leader in the Netherlands, Mediq has operations in Poland, the United States, Germany, Belgium, Denmark, Norway, Hungary and Switzerland. The company employs approximately 7,500 people, about 3,300 of whom work outside the Netherlands. Mediq is listed on Euronext Amsterdam.

About Medisource

Medisource has been active nationwide since 2001 as a company seconding mainly nursing personnel. A total of around 150 staff (employees, temporary staff and contracted one-person businesses) are mainly deployed as healthcare practice support staff and nurse practitioners in time blocks of at least 15 minutes or for agreed procedures such as vaccinations. For more information see www.medisource.nl.