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## **Boston Public Health Commission Implements Mi-Co's mobile data capture and digital writing software for efficient data collection**

**Research Triangle Park, NC.** May 20, 2004. Mi-Co, the mobile data capture company, announced today that one of the largest home-visiting programs of the Boston Public Health Commission (BPHC) is implementing the Mi-Forms Software System to collect and manage the large amount of data captured in the field.

"The quick and secure processing of client data and the accurate and efficient reporting of information are two of the critical challenges we face in our home-visiting programs," said Claritza Abreu, Director of Information Systems Services, "and we feel an assessment of state-of-the-art digital writing technology is warranted. This new technology will give our staff more time to focus on patient care, instead of data entry."

Mi-Co's technology will be piloted and first implanted in the Healthy Baby Healthy Child program (HBHC), which currently employs thirty-two home visitors, eighteen Nurses, thirteen Advocates, and two Social Workers. Providing them more efficient processes in the field has the potential to make the entire program more cost effective. Once this technology is fully proved and tested in the BPHC's infrastructure, Mi-Co's solution will be offered to other Commission programs and departments.

Jim Clary, Mi-Co CEO stated at the announcement, "The mission of the Boston Public Health Commission is to protect the health of all Boston residents, particularly the most vulnerable and Mi-Co is extremely pleased to work with BPHC. The Healthy Baby Healthy Child Program data capture requirements are an ideal fit for the Mi-Forms Software System."

The solution being implemented by BPHC includes the combination of Mi-Forms and Logitech's io Digital Pen. This software and hardware combination was selected for the pilot because the nurses can collect data in client's homes with a process where the hardware is simple, unobtrusive, and highly mobile and the software provides state of the art forms design, handwriting recognition and automatic conversion to text.

### **About BPHC's Healthy Baby / Healthy Child Program (HBHC)**

The Healthy Baby/Healthy Child (HB/HC) Program of the Boston Public Health Commission is an innovative home-visiting program whose mission it is to promote the health and well being of women, children and families in Boston, particularly those living in communities that are disproportionately impacted by infant mortality and other health disparities. The HB/HC program has demonstrated success in providing home and community based services to high-risk pregnant and parenting women, children up to three years of age and families while linking clients with systems of care throughout Boston. This citywide program, which has been in operation for 18 years, is dedicated to providing services that promote infant survival, promote birth outcomes and family unity.

### **About Mi-Co**

Mi-Co, the mobile data capture company, provides digital writing software to increase the efficiency and effectiveness of the entire process of capturing and using data. Mi-Co's end-to-end enterprise Mi-Forms Software System enables flexible forms design and the capture, handwriting verification and communication of forms based and free-form pen-on-paper data for enterprise users. Mi-Forms supports enterprise data capture using the Tablet PC, the Logitech io Digital Pen, Pocket PC and signature capture devices. Mi-Co's vertical markets for the Mi-Forms Software include healthcare and pharmaceuticals, financial services, public safety, and governmental services, and Mi-Co has a growing number of customers in these segments. Mi-Co is headquartered in Research Triangle Park, North Carolina. For more information on Mi-Co, visit [www.mi-corporation.com](http://www.mi-corporation.com).