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**TEKSOUTH AWARDED \$100,000 DEFENSE DEPARTMENT GRANT IN FIRST PHASE OF
MEDICAL DATA INTEGRATION PROJECT**

Expertise tapped in effort to centralize, better analyze reams of electronic medical, patient data, with focus on delivery of better healthcare

BIRMINGHAM, AL, October 27, 2008 — Teksouth Corporation (www.teksouth.com), a veteran systems integrator providing data management and business intelligence systems worldwide, today announced it has been awarded a Defense Department (DoD) grant, in the first phase of a program that may ultimately enable both military and civilian doctors and other providers to better analyze electronic medical records and deliver significantly improved healthcare to millions of patients.

The Small Business Innovation Research (SBIR) grant, awarded by the Army Medical Research Material Command in Fort Detrick, Maryland, covers initial research into the "Automated Knowledge Structuring of Medical Charts Data." Teksouth will use the grant to research the need and advantages of standardizing the exchange and capture of data into an overall network-centric "healthcare portfolio" of information that can help physicians, researchers and other professionals.

The grant is part of the Defense Department's initiative to protect soldiers "and their families from health hazards associated with military service," according to a DoD request. "Toward that end," it continues, "DoD is undertaking technology development programs that save lives and promote healthy individuals, units and communities while improving both force morale and warfighting capabilities," regardless of where they are deployed around the world.

The \$100,000 Phase I government grant further confirms Teksouth's demonstrated expertise in the development and deployment of advanced business intelligence systems in both the government and commercial sectors. "We are pleased that the Defense Department has chosen us to begin the research into ways to better utilize the full range of medical information, and to help define the next generation of business intelligence, applied to healthcare management across the entire Defense Department," said Steve Wilsher, Teksouth's Chief Executive Officer. Wilsher noted that potential work under Phases II and III would involve incorporating Teksouth's findings with larger defense contractors as well as major software developers. He added that insights gained from the work done for the Government could be transferred into major advances in the way civilian healthcare data is tracked and analyzed, with the goal of commercializing the technology.

About Teksouth

Teksouth Corporation (www.teksouth.com) is a twenty-five year old, privately held firm with headquarters in Birmingham, Alabama, and strategically located program offices in the U.S. and around the world. Its primary high technology services include data warehouse development, implementation, and support; standalone/web-based decision support systems tailored to customer requirements, and high speed, secure data transfer management. It has successfully developed and implemented a multi-terabyte-size data warehouse, supporting more than 15,000 users Air Force-wide, including the Office of the Secretary of the Air Force and all major USAF commands.

More information is available from the company's website, or by phone at 800-842-1470.