

Health care info manager to open an office here

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HealthCare Resolution Services Inc. is opening a regional office in San Antonio to reinforce its role as a military contractor.

Laurel, Md.-based HCRS has been expanding rapidly with about \$49 million in new health care information management contracts in 2006. The company's revenue last year was \$12 million.

The regional office will have six employees who will oversee about 200 people in the field, mostly at Brooke Army Medical Center and Wilford Hall Medical Center at Lackland AFB.

"We had our eye on this area already," said Jarvis Doles, chief executive of HCRS, because of Department of Defense contracts to manage health information and claims data.

But the company increased its presence in the city in Janu-

ary when it landed a contract with the Metropolitan Health District to explore the incidence of liver cancer in 14 ZIP codes that could have been affected by contaminated groundwater from the former Kelly AFB.

This is the first regional office for the company and is being established to provide medical record coding, records auditing and compliance services. HCRS also will work with government and commercial clients in the area on clinical research and feasibility studies. The company now operates in 12 states.

"We look to grow the San Antonio office considerably because this is a center of DOD health care," Doles said. Dozens of field workers and several more regional office employees will be added later this year because of upcoming contracts, he said.

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