



## **Consumer Health Sciences presents groundbreaking data on the impact of prediabetes at the 15<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference of the International Society for Quality of Life Research**

Princeton, New Jersey, USA – November 18, 2008 – Consumer Health Sciences, a leading international provider of comprehensive consumer health information and patient reported outcomes, presented groundbreaking data at the 15<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference of the International Society for Quality of Life Research, Montevideo, Uruguay, October 25, 2008. Findings demonstrated a significant impact of having prediabetes on the quality of life and work productivity of patients.

The results demonstrated that prediabetic patients have a lower health related quality of life and higher levels of work productivity impairment when compared to a healthy non-diabetic population. The presentation further quantified the loss of work productivity as 5.6 weeks per year for each prediabetic patient compared to their healthy counterparts.

"These results truly highlight the need for better diagnosis and new treatments for patients with prediabetes as a way to help slow the growing epidemic of diabetes and its impact on the patient and society" said Michael Fronstin, Chief Operating Officer of Consumer Health Sciences. "Less than 40% of all prediabetic patients are even aware of their condition and therefore can't take the steps necessary to prevent it from progressing to a full diabetes diagnosis."

The results were based on an analysis of 63,000 patients from the 2007 National Health and Wellness Survey in the USA. Prediabetic patients were identified and compared to patients with and without diabetes using validated patient reported health outcomes scales. Further analyses of these prediabetes patients are being conducted by the scientific team at Consumer Health Sciences to more deeply understand the demographic, attitudinal and epidemiology differences of this important patient group.

### **About Consumer Health Sciences**

Consumer Health Sciences is a leading source of disease-specific consumer health information for the pharmaceutical and life science industries. Its flagship product, the annual National Health and Wellness Survey (NHWS) database, is the largest self-reported patient database of its kind, providing market sizing, demographic, attitudinal, quality of life, resource utilization and treatment information in more than 100 therapeutic categories in the U.S., Europe and Japan. For more information, visit [www.chsinternational.com](http://www.chsinternational.com).

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