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**Acquisition of Sophiamedi Corp.**  
**~ Catering to a Super Aging Society Through Business Development in Home Nursing Care ~**

M3 Group's M3 doctor support Corporation (Headquarters: Tokyo, Japan; CEO: Keita Hamaguchi, "M3DS" below) announced the acquisition of all outstanding shares of Sophiamedi Corp. (Headquarters: Tokyo, Japan; CEO: Kazumi Mizutani; "Sophiamedi," below), who offers medical services centered around home nursing care.

**1. Background and Objective of the Acquisition**

M3DS launched support services catering towards medical institutions in August 2014. The company aims to contribute to the reformation of the healthcare industry through provision of new services that match the needs of medical sites. Operational support services for home medical care institutions has been developed on an accelerated path, starting with the Tokyo Metropolitan area and expanding to the Chukyo and Kinki regions. Furthermore, M3 Nurse Support, Inc. was established in March 2017 to manage home hospice business operations and home nursing care business, in order to accommodate terminal patients with currently limited options in care. Expansion of comprehensive home medical care support.

Sophiamedi has been operating designated home nursing care stations since May 2003, and as of 2017 has been offering a broad range of services to support home care, such as operation of rehabilitation oriented day services and operation of home care support offices (The no. 1 enterprise in the Metropolitan area, with over 50 offices servicing 5,000 patients.) The home nursing care station business prides a 30+% market share across the Meguro, Shinagawa, Setagaya, and the Ota (Jonan area) wards.

This initiative creates synergies between Sophiamedi's expertise and experience in high quality home nursing care service provision, and M3DS's operational support for home care medical institutions. We aim to become the industry leader in service quality in the area of home nursing care (\*1), an area with increasing needs for coordination with home medical care as we move forward.

As functionality of home medical care is emphasized within the upcoming implementation of the Comprehensive Community Care System, home medical and home nursing care will become important infrastructures as a central function within the System, with increasing importance on its stable operations. This initiative, which merges a diverse range of human resources and organizations in integrating home medical care and home nursing care, will pioneer new standards in home care to realize the hopes of patients.

**2. Sophiamedi Company Overview**

Trade Name: Sophiamedi Corp.

Headquarters: Tokyo, Japan

Established: August 2002

Officer: Kazumi Mizutani

Capital: 128 million yen (includes capital reserve)

Business Area: Operation of designated home nursing care stations, operation of rehabilitation oriented day services, operation of home care support offices, others

**3. M3 doctor support Company Overview**

Trade Name: M3 doctor support Corporation

Established: August 2014

Headquarters: Tokyo, Japan

Officer: Keita Hamaguchi

Business Area: Medical site management support business

**\*1: Home nursing care user age demographic**

