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RightAnswer.com, Inc. Launches the ReproAnswer™ System

DEVELOPMENT SUPPORTED BY SBIR GRANTS WITH FUNDING BY THE CDC

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RightAnswer.com, Inc. announces the launch of the new **ReproAnswer™ System**, which enables healthcare providers to more effectively counsel pregnant patients about possible effects of prescription and over-the-counter (OTC) medications on their developing babies. This information is critical to all women of child-bearing age – before, during, and after pregnancy and lactation.

According to the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC):

The CDC identified a need for this critical information to be made widely available to healthcare providers and their pregnant patients. Reasons for this include:

- First-trimester use of prescription medications has increased by more than 60% in the past 30 years
- 9 in 10 women take at least one medication during pregnancy
- Women struggle with decisions regarding medication use in pregnancy
- Pregnant patients may discontinue or underuse needed medications due to fear
- Without treatment, the woman and/or her baby could be harmed

The ReproAnswer System bridges the gap between healthcare providers and needed information. Putting this comprehensive, curated, and targeted teratology information into the hands of healthcare providers will allow them to:

- ✓ FIND authoritative information to support medication safety in pregnancy and lactation
- ✓ UNDERSTAND quickly by efficiently searching for topic-specific information
- ✓ **DECIDE** appropriate medication treatment options
- $\checkmark\,$ EXPLAIN to patients and family members so they
- feel more comfortable with decisions



The ReproAnswer System is an innovative platform that provides a web-based solution, also accessed by Apple and Android Apps for mobile devices. Healthcare providers will be able to more easily access and find important information needed to effectively counsel patients about the possible effects of prescription and OTC medications during pregnancy and lactation to help reduce prematurity and birth defects.

Project Development – SBIR Grants Funded by CDC

RightAnswer.com developed the ReproAnswer System with SBIR* (Small Business Innovation Research) grants sponsored by the CDC. The CDC supports health promotion and disease prevention programs, and the SBIR grants help U.S. small businesses complete the R&D behind new products and technologies. This project included a Phase I* grant (2015-2016) and a Phase II* grant (2017-2019).

The SBIR/CDC grants supported R&D of this innovative solution for the ReproAnswer website, as well as Apps for mobile devices. The ReproAnswer System was developed with support from experts at the **University of Washington.**

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- Registration
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RightAnswer.com, Inc. is headquartered in Midland, Michigan, with multiple U.S. locations and over 20 international distributors.

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