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MEDIA ALERT

PulsePoint Foundation Appoints Medical Director

Michael Sayre, M.D., Emergency Medicine, University of Washington School of Medicine,
Joins PulsePoint Leadership Team

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HILTON HEAD, SC (April 28, 2017)—The PulsePoint Foundation, a pioneer of location-aware mobile apps that empower off-duty professionals and everyday citizens to provide life-saving assistance to victims of cardiac arrest, today announced Michael Sayre, M.D. has been named its first Medical Director, responsible for medical guidance, oversight and continuous quality improvement for the Foundation. The announcement was made at the South Carolina Resuscitation Academy, a regional program for EMS managers, EMS directors and EMS medical directors, and conducted in association with Seattle Medic One and King County EMS.

“With Dr. Sayre’s appointment, we put the Foundation in a stronger position to evaluate partnership opportunities in areas such as wearables, contemplate new time-critical incident type responses such as opiate overdoses, and more thoroughly understand clinical research results and how they might signal future engineering directions,” said Richard Price, President of the California-based 501(c)(3) nonprofit PulsePoint Foundation. “His passion and expertise for implementing and testing novel emergency medical interventions will help us move through our next phase of development in a more focused and targeted manner.”

In addition to practicing emergency medicine at Harborview Medical Center, University of Washington, Dr. Sayre has worked to ensure that the emergency medical services in Seattle and King County continue to excel. He also serves as the medical director for the Seattle Fire Department and is a fellow of the American College of Emergency Physicians and the American Heart Association. He is a past chair for the American Heart Association Emergency Cardiovascular Care Committee.

“I look forward to assisting the PulsePoint Foundation in evaluating new technologies, partnerships and approaches to unlock the potential of their rapidly growing platform and significance in the industry,” said Dr. Michael Sayre. “I’m delighted to join such a committed and passionate group of individuals who are using mobile technology in new and innovative ways to improve outcomes for extremely time-sensitive medical conditions.”

Dr. Sayre earned his bachelor’s degree from Xavier University and his M.D. from the University of Cincinnati. He completed his residency in emergency medicine at Allegheny General Hospital in Pittsburgh. After two decades as a faculty member at the University of Cincinnati and the Ohio State University, he moved to the University of Washington School of Medicine in 2012 to create the Emergency Medical Services Fellowship training program.

About the PulsePoint Foundation

PulsePoint is a 501(c)(3) non-profit foundation based in the San Francisco Bay Area. Through the use of location-aware mobile devices, PulsePoint is building applications that work with local public safety agencies to improve communications with citizens, empowering them to help reduce the millions of annual deaths from sudden cardiac arrest (SCA). Learn more at pulsepoint.org or join the conversation at Facebook and Twitter. The free app is available for download on iTunes and Google Play.

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