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## **For Immediate Release**

### **Sainsbury's Becomes First UK Retailer to Install Asteres 24/7 Automated Pharmacy Kiosks**

**San Diego, CA**, July 28, 2010 — Asteres Inc. announced today the installation of Express prescription kiosks at UK retailer, Sainsbury's, for the deposit and collection of patient prescriptions. The retail chain is the first commercial location in the UK to install the kiosks, which offer shoppers a convenient way to quickly deposit and collect NHS prescriptions without waiting in a line and even if the pharmacy is closed.

Sainsbury's professional services manager, David Gilder says: "The vending machines provide a secure and convenient way for customers to obtain prescribed medication at a time that suits them. At the same time we also know that our customers value the option of speaking to a pharmacist so this is an additional service for customers who may prefer it."

The Express prescription kiosk is quick and secure. Patients who want to use the service register at the machine to create a user ID and password. To deposit, customers sign in, fill out a prescription form, place into the envelope and follow the on screen instructions after which, a receipt is printed with the collection time and other relevant details. To collect, customers sign in and all prescriptions due for collection will appear on screen including payment details if applicable. Customers can also group their whole family's prescriptions together and collect them all at once.

"We are thrilled to work with Sainsbury's, as the first UK retailer to bring our Express prescription kiosks to their patients," said Martin Bridges, Vice President, International at Asteres Inc., makers of automated pharmacy and retail kiosks. "The Express prescription kiosk helps pharmacies give their patients fast, convenient, and safe prescription deposit and collection services whilst maintaining a relationship with their trusted pharmacist."

#### **ABOUT ASTERES**

*Asteres Inc. develops secure self-service kiosks for the storage and delivery of prescriptions and consumer products. Asteres' premier product is ScriptCenter, the first prescription pick-up kiosk for retail, healthcare and military pharmacies that allows patients to pickup and pay for their prescriptions even when the pharmacy is closed. For more information visit [www.asteres.com](http://www.asteres.com)*