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## HiQ engaged by world leader Mentice AB

- simulation applications of the future for doctors are being developed in Gothenburg

Gothenburg-based medical technology company Mentice is the world leader in simulation applications within medicine and surgical training. HiQ was commissioned to assist Mentice with everything from project management and method development within SCRUM to interactive training.

For more than a decade HiQ has worked on flight simulators for pilots and combat aircraft. Today, doctors also use simulators to train in surgical techniques.

"We are developing the surgical simulators of the future and we currently have more than 600 installations around the world. In the main, the users of our simulation applications are surgeons requiring surgical training – either surgeons completing their initial training or surgeons expanding their skills or wanting to learn new methods. HiQ has been very helpful in contributing project management expertise as well as working on refining our project portfolio. I am looking forward to our continued good partnership," says Christina von Dorrien, Chief Operating Officer at Mentice AB.

A medical simulator is cheap and effective to use when doctors need to learn advanced vascular surgery, for example.

"The value of simulator training has long been known within aviation – an area that HiQ has engaged with right from the start. There are also substantial training requirements in the care sector. Using simulation methods for areas such as vascular surgery is both ethical and economically efficient. Our work for Mentice to date has been very interesting and we hope to be able to combine our previous experience within simulation with project management skills in the future," says Simona Bamerlind, key account manager of HiQ.

Among other things, HiQ has assisted Mentice with setting up a project office, refining the project portfolio, implementing SCRUM as a project framework and with the production of interactive training for the Mentice VIST simulator, including certification elements.

## **About Mentice:**

Mentice is a leading supplier of medical simulation applications. The company has its head office in Gothenburg, an office in Switzerland and sales offices in the US, Germany, the UK, Australia, Japan and China. Its customers include most of the leading medical technology companies such as Guidant and Cordis (Johnson & Johnson), as well as hospitals and training centres throughout the world, such as Karolinska University Hospital and Stanford University. The company has 600 installations worldwide and more than 100 validation studies. Read more at: www.mentice.com

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