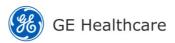


GE Healthcare and Medtronic Announce a Collaboration to Meet Growing Need for Outpatient Case

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Providing excellent care inside and outside of the traditional hospital is the new normal for patients, clinicians, and payers seeking more choices without compromising excellent outcomes. GE Healthcare and Medtronic announce a collaboration focused on the unique needs and demand for care at Ambulatory Surgery Centers (ASCs) and Office Based Labs (OBLs). Under this new collaboration, customers can access extensive product portfolios, financial solutions, and exceptional service.

The COVID-19 pandemic accelerated the movement of procedures into the outpatient environment while also driving disease rates higher, resulting in procedure growth in facilities outside traditional hospitals, and this growth trend is expected to continue for years to come. ¹ Also, since CMS approved payments for certain cardiovascular procedures in 2020, fixed c-arm imaging systems have been used more and more frequently in ASCs and OBLs for cardiac and peripheral vascular procedures.²

"GE Healthcare Interventional Imaging solutions are built to help our customers deliver care at a higher level for patients. With a predicted increase in outpatient cardiology and peripheral vascular procedures over the coming years, industry leaders like GE Healthcare need to understand and meet the unique needs of ASCs and OBLs," said Jim Rapp, Vice President of Interventional Imaging at GE Healthcare. "Our collaboration with Medtronic is one aspect of our efforts to strengthen efficiency, workflow, and clinical outcomes for ASCs and OBLs who work with GE Healthcare."

While patient needs are increasing, there remain high costs and complexity associated with expanding an existing ASC or building a new one. GE Healthcare and Medtronic seek to help ASCs navigate these challenges, bringing the best of each company to deliver high-quality and cost-effective advanced technology, financial solutions, and personal service. For GE Healthcare, this includes consultative planning, construction, a comprehensive suite of equipment (including imaging, monitoring, and ultrasound), and exceptional service and digital solutions, including the Edison-powered A.I.-based interventional imaging chain, which can help clinicians provide the right image at the right dose automatically for each patient. For Medtronic, this means providing an extensive portfolio of products for a diverse range of service lines in the ASC and OBL, from cardiac rhythm to pain management, peripheral vascular to kyphoplasty. In addition to products, Medtronic will continue to offer the service that customers have come to expect from their field experts as well as reimbursement support, remote solutions, and more.

"As our customers open centers outside of the hospital, they are looking for support beyond the devices used in medical procedures," said Adam King, Senior Director of U.S. Enterprise Accounts and Ambulatory Surgery Centers at Medtronic. "From products and devices to equipment and services, we provide a full range of technologies and solutions. Our collaboration with GE Healthcare was formed to better serve the growth of our ASC and OBL customers with extensive technologies and dedicated teams who have expertise in outpatient services and can address all aspects of this evolving sector."

From staff workflow to patient care and more, GE Healthcare and Medtronic experts and solutions help outpatient health center owners and clinicians achieve their vision.

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