



PRODUCT BULLETIN

SURFACE MEDICAL ANNOUNCES THE LAUNCH OF CLEANPATCH™

Calgary, AB – April 15, 2013. Surface Medical Inc. ("SMI") announced today the launch of CleanPatch.



It is known in the research community that hospital beds and stretchers are high-touch surfaces prone to damage, and have been shown to harbor pathogens, including *C. difficile*, *MRSA*, *VRE*, etc., and initiate infectious disease outbreaks. SMI's primary research in a leading Canadian hospital found that over 40% of mattresses in circulation were damaged and a subset contained pathogens. There are over five million mattresses in healthcare facilities in North America, and current alternatives to address damage are either expensive or unproven for widespread adoption. **CleanPatch is a newly launched, first-in-class medical surface repair patch for hospital beds and stretchers designed to restore damaged mattresses to an intact surface to facilitate proper cleaning.**

"CleanPatch provides a real solution to an everyday problem in healthcare," comments Barbara Potter, RN, BN, MHS, a former ICU Nurse and Manager who provided SMI with the inspiration to develop CleanPatch. "Not only is that a big win for patients and cost effective for hospitals, it also allows my fellow nurses and other healthcare workers to feel that they doing everything they can to support a patient's return to health."

Following 18 months of development, SMI successfully completed a clinical assessment at the Foothills Hospital, Calgary, Alberta with the Ward of the 21st Century, which showed that CleanPatch held up to daily wear and performed well in the clinical setting. The results showed that CleanPatch did not harbor any more organisms than the original mattress surface that it was applied to and could therefore be cleaned as effectively.

"Surface Medical is committed to working in collaboration with healthcare workers like Barbara Potter to understand the practical challenges they face," noted Fabrizio Chiacchia, President and CEO. "CleanPatch is the first medical surface repair patch that is clinically tested, safe and simple, and results in cost-savings for hospitals. We are eager to begin partnering with healthcare institutions as they adopt this innovative product in their facilities."

Surface Medical has launched a website (www.cleanpatch.ca) and will be attending the upcoming CHICA National Scientific Conference in June in Ottawa to present this product to the scientific community.

About Surface Medical Inc.

Surface Medical Inc. is an Alberta-based medical device company focused on developing products to address an estimated 48 billion dollar problem that results in 100,000 deaths in North America each year: healthcare-associated infections. Founded in 2010, SMI is dedicated to creating innovative products that reduce the transfer of infection and facilitate the safe administration of healthcare for the benefit of practitioners and patients alike. For more information about Surface Medical, please visit www.surfacemedical.ca

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