Medtronic News

New Partnership Between Medtronic and Atlas General Hospital Brings Advanced Surgical Technologies and Treatment Options to Serbia

Partnership to Focus on Improving Quality and Accessibility of Spine Care for Serbian Patients

BELGRADE, Serbia - March 15, 2017 - Medtronic plc (NYSE:MDT), the global leader in medical technology, today announced the signing of an Integrated Health Solutions (IHS) agreement with Atlas General Hospital in Belgrade, Serbia.

With this partnership, both companies will contribute to the improvement of the care experiences of thousands of spine patients at the Atlas General Hospital. As part of its IHS capability, Medtronic will bring innovative spine and minimally invasive technologies, assess and identify how workflow and systems can be improved to reduce cost, and manage the operating rooms, all of which are aimed at improving efficiency and enhancing patient experience.

"The implementation of the integrated health solutions at Atlas will create a highly innovative medical center in Belgrade, contributing to the improvement of the care experiences of our patients," said Igor Georgiev, general manager of the Atlas General Hospital.

By working together, Atlas and Medtronic will improve patients' access to the latest medical technology for spine surgeries. Within this cooperation, Medtronic will also help the hospital to treat more patients in a cost-effective way.

"Medtronic's Integrated Health Solutions brings proven, international expertise drawn from managing cath labs and operating rooms for more than 100 hospital systems around the globe," said Frederic Noel, vice president of Medtronic Integrated Health Solutions. "Creating the first Integrated Health Solutions partnership in Serbia will enable our partner to offer advanced surgical and minimally invasive technologies, delivering clinical and economic value to Serbian patients."

The future of healthcare requires new approaches and new forms of innovation. The Integrated Health Solutions agreement between Medtronic and Atlas is the next step in Medtronic's goal to be the leading company to support Serbian healthcare to deliver high-quality care in a cost-effective way.

About Atlas General Hospital

Atlas General Hospital is the first Serbian private hospital focused on surgical services provided by best experts. The general hospital Atlas was founded in 2006, after the expansion of Komnenus, a former private hospital for plastic surgery. The hospital Atlas is open 24 hours, 365 days. It is situated in two modern and luxurious buildings of 1,200m2 and 400m2 in the center of Belgrade.

Medtronic Integrated Health Solutions

Medtronic Integrated Health Solutions focus on cooperation and development of partnerships with health organizations. The main goal of this business is to help care providers optimize costs and outcomes while driving higher value and patient satisfaction. In cooperation with medical institutions, IHS develops innovative services and solutions to improve efficiency, reduce costs, facilitate patients' access to different types of treatment and improve outcomes.

About Medtronic

Medtronic plc (www.medtronic.com), headquartered in Dublin, Ireland, is among the world's largest medical technology, services and solutions companies - alleviating pain, restoring health and extending life for millions of people around the world. Medtronic employs more than 88,000 people worldwide, serving physicians, hospitals and patients in approximately 160 countries. The company is focused on collaborating with stakeholders around the world to take healthcare Further, Together.

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