

OrthoPediatrics and Mighty Oak Medical Team Up to Bring Pediatric-Friendly Spinal Navigation to Children's Hospitals

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WARSAW, Ind., Aug. 28, 2017 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- OrthoPediatrics and Mighty Oak Medical are pleased to announce a navigation partnership that can provide unsurpassed screw placement accuracy in the pediatric population. Mighty Oak Medical is the manufacturer of FIREFLY® Pedicle Screw Navigation Guides, which are 3D printed and patient-specific at each planned vertebral level. FIREFLY® Guides address the clear market need for a navigation solution that does not rely on intraoperative radiation, and is ideally suited for longer construct cases. OrthoPediatrics regards scoliosis surgeries as an excellent application of FIREFLY® Technology, and has been granted the exclusive distribution rights for FIREFLY® Pedicle Screw Navigation Guides in pediatric hospitals in the United States. The FIREFLY® Pedicle Screw Navigation Guides can be used with any Spinal Deformity Correction system, including the OrthoPediatrics RESPONSE Spinal Deformity System.

David Bailey, Executive Vice President of OrthoPediatrics, said, "Our partnership with Mighty Oak Medical is one more way OrthoPediatrics is advancing the field of pediatric orthopedics. The FIREFLY® Technology will be a valuable addition to our spine portfolio, and we are pleased to partner with another company that is *Leading Innovation in Pediatric Orthopedics*!"

"This distribution relationship is going to highlight the stark differences between robotic and optical navigation systems, which can cost up to a million dollars and are highly complex and radiation heavy, with the 3D printed patient-specific disposable solution of FIREFLY®. In the capable hands of the OrthoPediatrics team, we believe the FIREFLY Guides' validated 99.7% accuracy, combined with ease of use, should quickly bring a safe and reliable navigation tool to pediatric facilities across the United States", stated **Heidi Frey**, President of Mighty Oak Medical.

About OrthoPediatrics Corp.

Founded in 2006, OrthoPediatrics is the only orthopedic company focused exclusively on providing a comprehensive product offering to the pediatric orthopedic market to improve the lives of children with orthopedic conditions. OrthoPediatrics currently markets 21 surgical systems that serve three of the largest categories within the pediatric orthopedic market. This offering spans trauma and deformity, complex spine and ACL reconstruction procedures. OrthoPediatrics' global sales organization is focused exclusively on pediatric orthopedics and distributes its products to 35 countries outside the United States.

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About Mighty Oak Medical

Mighty Oak is a medical device incubator and a leader in patient-specific solutions for the spine. Our robust patent portfolio, both US and worldwide, and pipeline of patient-specific devices for the spine, is unparalleled. By combining the talents of experienced spine surgeons and biomedical engineers, spine surgeries can be made safer and more efficient. Our mission is to improve surgical outcomes in a manner that is both cost-effective and patient-centered. We have the freedom to focus on innovative solutions, and our team is developing many exciting and disruptive products that meet these objectives. For more information, please contact info@mightyoakmedical.com.



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