



Teleflex Introduces New ARROW® FlexTip Plus® Closed Tip, Multi-Port Epidural Catheter

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LIMERICK, Pa.--(BUSINESS WIRE)--Aug. 9, 2012-- Teleflex Incorporated (NYSE:TFX) announced today the launch of the new Arrow FlexTip Plus Multi-Port epidural catheter, which is based on the same proven technology of the market-leading¹ Arrow FlexTip Plus Single-Port catheter. This follows the new device's recent 510(k) clearance from the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA).

The FlexTip Plus Multi-Port is a coil-reinforced epidural catheter that features a soft, flexible closed tip with four lateral holes. It has been added to the Arrow catheter family to provide anesthesia providers with more options, allowing them to decide the drug dispersion method for the epidural procedures they perform.

Although the tip of the FlexTip Plus Multi-Port catheter is modified from the open tip version, it uses the same coil-reinforced, polyurethane technology used in the open tip FlexTip Plus Single-Port catheter, which has been proven to significantly reduce complications commonly associated with nylon epidural catheters.² Studies have also associated this catheter design with easier insertion, less movement out of the epidural space, better block quality, and higher satisfaction rates.³

The FlexTip Plus Multi-Port catheter is now available in a variety of Arrow brand kit and set configurations to meet the specific needs of anesthesia providers, and is also available through Teleflex's Arrow Select Kits program for inclusion in custom kits.

"We're excited to be offering the FlexTip Plus Multi-Port epidural catheter alongside the Single-Port catheter," said Cary Vance, President, Teleflex Anesthesia and Respiratory. "Customers have been asking for a closed tip catheter option from Arrow, and we have delivered. We are pleased to be able to provide the well-proven benefits of the Arrow FlexTip Plus catheter in a closed tip, multi-port design to meet the needs and demands of our Regional Anesthesia partners."

About Teleflex Incorporated

Teleflex is a leading global provider of specialty medical devices for a range of procedures in critical care and surgery. Our mission is to provide solutions that enable healthcare providers to improve outcomes and enhance patient and provider safety. Headquartered in Limerick, PA, Teleflex employs approximately 11,200 people worldwide and serves healthcare providers in more than 130 countries. Additional information about Teleflex can be obtained from the company's website at teleflex.com.

Forward-Looking Statements

Any statements contained in this press release that do not describe historical facts may constitute forward-looking statements. Any forward-looking statements contained herein are based on our management's current beliefs and expectations, but are subject to a number of risks, uncertainties and changes in circumstances, which may cause actual results or company actions to differ materially from what is expressed or implied by these statements. These risks and uncertainties are identified and described in more detail in our filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission, including our Annual Report on Form 10-K.

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