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Premier Selects AngioDynamics' BioFlo PICC as a Breakthrough Technology

BioFlo Technology Highlighted During Fifth Annual Innovation Celebration

ALBANY, N.Y., June 12, 2013 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- AngioDynamics (Nasdaq:ANGO), a leading provider of innovative, minimally invasive medical devices for vascular access, surgery, peripheral vascular disease and oncology, announced that its BioFlo peripherally inserted central catheter (PICC) was one of 14 medical innovations on display in front of thousands of healthcare providers and experts at the Premier healthcare alliance's 2013 [Breakthroughs Conference and Exhibition](#).

The BioFlo PICC was selected by clinicians and other members of Premier, a provider-owned performance improvement alliance of more than 2,800 hospitals and nearly 100,000 other care sites. It was highlighted during the conference's fifth annual [Innovation Celebration](#), which took place on June 11, 2013, in San Antonio, Texas. The event recognizes advances in healthcare while highlighting industry suppliers committed to innovation and improving patient outcomes. Selection criteria included the uniqueness of the product, its ability to have an impact on an unmet medical need and its potential to positively impact patient care.

PICCs allow intravenous access for an extended period for chemotherapy, antibiotic delivery and other intravascular therapies. The BioFlo PICC is the only PICC manufactured with Endexo technology, a permanent and non-eluting integral polymer. Endexo is blended into the catheter shaft's polymer, creating a material that provides long-term durability. It is present throughout the catheter shaft material and is not superficial or transient like coatings or impregnated materials. The BioFlo PICC does not contain antibiotics or antimicrobials, agents potentially associated with bacterial resistance.

"BioFlo technology has shown promise in decreasing the accumulation of catheter-related thrombus without incorporation of heparin, antibiotics, antimicrobials or any other transient materials typically associated with coated or impregnated technologies, making it a potentially disruptive product in this space," said Chuck Greiner, Vice President of AngioDynamics' Vascular Access Business. "We're pleased to see established providers like Premier acknowledge the product's potential. We believe that the BioFlo PICC's inclusion in Premier's Innovation Celebration demonstrates that the product is gaining traction in the market."

"Those who attend and participate in the Innovation Celebration share Premier's commitment to providing innovative, valuable products to our members that are safe, high-quality and cost-effective," said Durrall R. Gilbert, president of supply chain services, Premier. "These advancements will truly benefit providers as they work to improve the health of their communities."

Any supplier, regardless of whether the company is contracted with Premier, can be considered for participation in the [Innovation Celebration](#). Overall, Premier contracts with more than 1,000 suppliers.

About AngioDynamics

AngioDynamics Inc. is a leading provider of innovative, minimally invasive medical devices used by professional healthcare providers for vascular access, surgery, peripheral vascular disease and oncology. AngioDynamics' diverse product lines include market-leading ablation systems, fluid management systems, vascular access products, angiographic products and accessories, angioplasty products, drainage products, thrombolytic products and venous products. More information is available at www.AngioDynamics.com.

About the Premier healthcare alliance, Malcolm Baldrige National Quality Award recipient

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