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Diagnostic Ultrasound Corporation Donates \$160K in Medical Equipment to Developing Countries

Diagnostic Ultrasound Corporation (HQ: Bothell, WA, USA; CEO/Chairman: Gerald McMorrow) has donated medical equipment valued at \$165,525 USD to the *International Volunteers in Urology* to facilitate their volunteer work. This donation will help to extend the benefits of safe, noninvasive bladder volume determination to developing countries.

Diagnostic Ultrasound is the creator of patented V-MODE® three-dimensional ultrasound technology. The BladderScan™, Diagnostic Ultrasound's original V-MODE device, has become the standard of care for bladder volume determination. Within seconds, it measures a patient's bladder volume noninvasively. As opposed to catheterization, the portable, easy-to-use BladderScan saves staff time and is safe and comfortable for the patient.

All members of the healthcare staff can easily learn to use the BladderScan. BladderScan use reduces catheterization and rates of catheter-related urinary tract infection (UTI). In addition to preventing unnecessary catheterization and undiagnosed urinary retention, BladderScan use helps healthcare providers diagnose, manage, and treat conditions such as prostatitis, bladder outlet obstruction, neurogenic bladder, lower urinary tract symptoms, and incontinence. It also lowers the cost of care by minimizing staff time, catheter-kit use, and extended hospital stays due to UTI. It is estimated that the approximately 25,000 BladderScan instruments currently in use worldwide prevent an estimated 100,000 unnecessary catheterizations per day, as well as an estimated 2,000+ catheter-induced infections.

Diagnostic Ultrasound Corporation's mission is to develop cost-effective, easy-to-use, noninvasive ultrasound instruments that will enhance patient care not just in the US, but around the world. The company is continually working to develop application-specific and easy-to-use ultrasound devices that are affordable enough to be implemented globally. In the meantime, the company hopes that its donation will help to improve care in developing countries, which would otherwise be unable to take advantage of this technology.

"At Diagnostic Ultrasound, we strive to bring noninvasive ultrasound technology up to its full potential by making it easier to use, less expensive, and more definitive in its measurements."

—Gerald McMorrow, Founder, CEO and Chairman of the Board

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