



Verathon Inc. Launches Enhanced BladderScan® Bladder Volume Instrument with Small Child Mode

Bothell, WA – March 11, 2008 – Verathon® is pleased to announce a new Small Child Mode for the portable BladderScan® BVI 9400 bladder volume instrument with patent-pending NeuralHarmonics™ Technology. Small Child Mode enables health care providers to measure bladder volume noninvasively on children weighing less than 60 pounds and standing less than 48 inches high using the same instrument used for adult patients. This enhanced BladderScan® BVI 9400 will make its official debut at the Association of Peri-Operative Registered Nurses (AORN) conference in Anaheim, CA on April 1. (Verathon Booth# 785)

BladderScan® portable ultrasound instruments, the gold standard in bladder volume measurement, help diagnose urinary retention, evaluate common urological conditions and prevent unnecessary catheterization.

The newest BladderScan® in the line, the BVI 9400, now with Small Child Mode, allows Urologists, Primary Care physicians and Acute Care facilities to standardize on one bladder volume instrument for all patient age groups. The BladderScan® BVI 9400 also incorporates NeuralHarmonics™ Technology. This patent-pending advance in the science of ultrasound improves both speed and accuracy in bladder volume measurement. NeuralHarmonics™ Technology helps achieve previously unattainable differentiation of the bladder, urine and hypo-echogenic regions such as the uterus, thereby reducing error and minimizing uncertainty in measurements of bladder function.

“The new BVI 9400 with Small Child Mode and NeuralHarmonics™ Technology offers health care providers a comprehensive bladder volume instrument for their practice or facility,” said Gerald McMorro, CEO, Founder and Chairman of the Board of Verathon, Inc. “The BVI 9400 not only measures bladder function for patients of all age groups, it also offers the ease of use, reliability and advanced technology health care providers have come to expect from the BladderScan® brand.”

Unlike other ultrasound machines the BVI 9400 is quick and easy to use; no sonographer is required. When the scan button is pressed, the instrument measures ultrasonic reflections on multiple planes inside the body and produces a three dimensional image. Based on this image, the BVI 9400 calculates and displays the bladder volume on the color console, and offers aiming assistance (if needed) to the user, on both the probe and the console. The user can select either a hard copy print out from the machine or an electronic medical record (EMR) related report. To facilitate training, both a “user” video and a “NeuralHarmonics™ Technology” video are provided on the device.

Customers who have already purchased BVI 9400 instruments may upgrade the software on their devices to include Small Child Mode using HIPAA-compliant ScanPoint® online technology from Verathon®. Besides enabling software upgrades, ScanPoint® subscribers enjoy quick, easy online calibration of their BladderScan® instruments and the ability to view, save and print bladder measurement reports.

For more information, please visit <http://www.verathon.com>.



About Verathon Inc.

Verathon[®], formerly Diagnostic Ultrasound Corp., designs and manufactures reliable, state-of-the-art medical devices and services that offer a meaningful improvement in patient care to the health care community. The company's noninvasive BladderScan[®] instrument is the standard of care for bladder volume measurement. The brand is found in over 60 countries in Urology and Primary Care practices, as well as Acute and Extended Care facilities. With the January 2006 acquisition of Saturn Biomedical Systems in Vancouver, Canada, Verathon[®] entered Anesthesiology, Critical Care and Emergency markets with the GlideScope[®] Video Laryngoscope (GVL[®]) brand. Verathon[®] is headquartered in Bothell, Washington and has over 300 employees worldwide. For more information, please visit www.verathon.com.

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