

## Kennewick General Hospital Signs Medical Device Reprocessing Agreement with ReNu Medical

"Product quality, Amerinet contract pricing, and patient-hospital staff safety were deciding factors in our decision to have our single use medical devices reprocessed by ReNu Medical," said Adrian Cushman, Contracts Manager at Kennewick General.

Everett, Washington (PRWEB) July 21, 2005-"After a couple of years with another medical device reprocessing company, we invited ReNu Medical to show us the difference in the quality and safety of their reprocessed single use medical devices. We are glad they did," said Adrian Cushman, Contracts Manager at Kennewick General Hospital.

"Reprocessing of single use medical devices using high-level disinfection (HLD) or sterilization is now commonplace for many healthcare facilities. High-level disinfection will save our facility twice the amount versus sterilization and substantially reduce our medical waste, so the choice was easy."

"Infection control is always an issue for any medical institution. ReNu utilizes a medical device collection system that virtually eliminates hospital staff involvement. No sorting, cleaning or counting of medical devices. In order to maximize our facilities device collection, the ReNu staff selected strategic (unit) locations throughout our facility for placement of their collection container bags. To further reduce the risk of infection, the collection containers are collected, high-level disinfected and replaced weekly," Mr. Cushman said.

"We are very pleased and excited to have Kennewick General Hospital as one of our many valued partners. I believe Kennewick General made the right financial and environmental decision by choosing high-level disinfection (HLD) reprocessing," said Loren Timmons, VP, Marketing, and Business Development at ReNu Medical.

## ABOUT RENU:

ReNu Medical is the leading reprocessor of non-invasive single use medical devices (SUD's). ReNu's unique services focus on providing the safest product for the patient, reducing medical waste and significantly reducing supply costs by maximizing available savings.

ReNu's unique focus on non and semi critical (single use) medical devices provides a significant source of cost savings with very little associated risk. These devices go ON the body not IN the body. High Level Disinfection (HLD) offers significant cost saving advantages over sterilization methods. For example, ReNú's non-toxic method of HLD has the proven ability to turn an individual medical device 2-3 times more than a sterilizing reprocessor. This equates to 2-3 times the cost savings. Additionally, with quicker turn around time, two weeks compared to 8-12 weeks, less inventory is required thus saving even more money. Finally, ReNú has the proven lowest discard rate in the industry (less than 10% on average) allowing you to get more devices back. These advantages offer significant savings far above other reprocessors.

High-Level Disinfection technology is 100% non-toxic, environmentally friendly and a safe gentle alternative for non and semi critical (single use) medical devices. HLD offers twice the life span and double the saving of toxic Ethylene Oxide Gas (ETO) utilized by sterilization reprocessor's. No harmful air emissions are released into the environment and no chemical residue is left on the device. The CDC, APIC, and other healthcare organizations support HLD.

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ReNu Medical is a supporter and Champion of Hospitals for a Healthy Environment. We recommend you visit their website (<u>www.h2e-online.org</u>) to learn more about how to reduce hospital medical waste.

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