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Minerva Surgical Signs Agreement with Blackmaple Group (BMG) and WHAAPA

Santa Clara, CA, October 16, 2024, Minerva Surgical, a manufacturer and distributor of minimally invasive gynecologic technologies, today announced a new strategic partnership with Blackmaple Group, designed to provide access to office-based solutions for its Women's Health Administrative and Purchasing Alliance (WHAAPA) physician members for the detection and treatment of uterine conditions.

The Medical Endoscopy Image Processing System and the Minerva ES Ablation System – both of which will be available to BMG WHAAPA members under this new agreement – are designed to quickly and effectively address causes of Abnormal Uterine Bleeding (AUB) a set of debilitating conditions affecting one in three women. Left untreated, AUB may drive women to withdraw or become absent from family, social, and work activities. Some of these conditions can be life threatening, if not detected early.

According to Darin Hammers, CEO of Minerva Surgical, "Integrating hysteroscopy into the office setting enables gynecologists to detect uterine cavity disease earlier and more accurately than using other, less sensitive methods. The Minerva ES endometrial ablation can be performed in the comfort of the office setting, while reducing the cost to the patient. Effectiveness of the Minerva ES has been proven in clinical trials demonstrating procedure safety and long-term avoidance of hysterectomy in over 99% of the patients."

Additionally, Minerva ES is a one-time, non-hormonal, incisionless treatment with the recovery time of 1-2 days. "The agreement with Minerva Surgical is important to Blackmaple Group because it provides WHAAPA members with more options to safely and effectively treat patients in the office setting", said Dr. Jeff Gold, CEO of BMG.

About Minerva Surgical: Minerva Surgical is a Women's Health company committed to improving women's health and quality of life by providing access to minimally invasive, technologically advanced, and innovative solutions for early detection, treatment, and management of uterine conditions.

About Blackmaple Group: founded in 2008 as a consulting firm focused on bringing business rigor to provider group management, the Blackmaple Group (BMG) has grown to become an industry leader in procurement, medical group management and healthcare economics. Under the leadership of its founder Dr. Jeff Gold and COO Marc Cooper, BMG has grown to over 16,000 physician members across the United States and continues to add new clients every day