

## ACCESS MEDIQUIP NAMES NEW CHIEF MEDICAL OFFICER

## Dr. Steven L. Arnold joins Access MediQuip from Virginia Premier Health Plan and Healthcare Global Advisors

LAKE MARY, FL January 17, 2012 - Access MediQuip, (AMQ) the nation's first and largest provider of comprehensive surgical implant management solutions, today announced the appointment of Steven L. Arnold, MD, MS, MBA, CPE, FHIMSS as Chief Medical Officer. He will be responsible for clinical programs, partnering with payer medical staff, the development of medical management policies and procedures, quality and safety initiatives and product development.

"We are thrilled to welcome Dr. Arnold to the Access MediQuip team," said Prakash Patel, MD, CEO of AMQ. "His impressive and extensive clinical background and proven history of delivering outstanding results will help us greatly enhance our clinical programs, quality initiatives, and outreach to payer clinical teams and surgical facilities and surgeons."

Dr. Arnold most recently served as the CMO for Virginia Premier Health Plan (VPHP) where he focused on improving net revenues, creating clinical programs, reducing their Medical Loss Ratios, and driving quality improvements. At VPHP, he also had oversight of the Utilization Management, Quality Management, Disease and Case Management functions leading a staff of more than 100 employees. He serves on the boards of Healthcare Information and Management Systems Society (HIMSS), NY State Senate Committee for Preventative Healthcare Grants, Urgent Care Medicine, Formulary Magazine, and the NYC Police Reserve Association. Dr. Arnold has written numerous white papers and has been recognized for his leadership in healthcare. Dr. Arnold was a Lt. Colonel, Medical Officer in the US Air Force and earned his medical degree at the University Of Miami School Of Medicine and also practiced medicine for 20 years in California and Virginia.

"Access MediQuip is addressing significant problems in the healthcare system – surgical implant cost, safety and quality management – and I strongly believe in the value proposition, the capabilities, and what Access MediQuip represents," said Dr. Arnold. "I'm extremely pleased to be joining Dr. Patel and the entire Access MediQuip team in leading the building of clinical programs, quality initiatives and relationships with the payer and provider community to improve the outcomes, device safety and costs of surgical implants."

## **About Access MediQuip**

Access MediQuip is the largest and most experienced provider of surgical implant management solutions. With more than a decade of experience, Access MediQuip provides payers a comprehensive solution to manage and control the high costs of implants, along with improving quality and safety to surgical facilities (including hospitals and ambulatory surgical centers), surgeons and ultimately patients. The company was founded in 1997 and is headquartered in Lake Mary, Florida. For more information, please visit www.accessmediquip.com.

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