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Amerinet Launches Enhanced Surgery Center Solutions *New Initiative to Offer Unique Benefits to ASCs*

St. Louis (March 23, 2009)- Amerinet Inc., a leading national healthcare group purchasing organization, today announced the launch of its enhanced Surgery Center Solutions program, a comprehensive menu of tools and resources targeted exclusively to the ambulatory surgery center (ASC) market.

“Surgery centers are among the most unique and fastest growing segments of the healthcare market,” said Randy Walter, Amerinet’s executive vice president of contracting, enterprise solutions, Inquisit and marketing. “We felt it was imperative to enhance our program specifically for this market, focusing on their needs to reduce costs and improve quality.”

In addition to Amerinet’s existing market leading suppliers and distributors, the enhanced Surgery Center Solutions program features a partnership with preferred distributors Owens and Minor and Henry Schein, who have upgraded their agreements specific to growing the ASC market. Surgery center members will benefit through unmatched, market leading pricing, hundreds of dedicated representatives available to assist with any challenge and a distribution system ensuring prompt and efficient product delivery.

“In today’s ASC market, maximizing relationships through service, price, education and communication is key,” said Julie Greene, a member of Amerinet’s ASC Member Input Group. “Amerinet is a trusted partner in improving financial and operational outcomes for ASCs.”

Among the highlights of Amerinet Surgery Center Solutions are:

- Access to 95 percent of the purchases that facilities make - most at a significantly reduced rate
- Savings of up to 10 percent or more on pharmacy purchases through an Amerinet authorized wholesaler
- An unmatched distribution system which ensures that the products ASCs need will be available when needed, with our partners offering fill rates of 99 percent, accuracy of 99.9 percent and 24 hour delivery through 99 percent of the United States
- Technology solutions and reporting that provide real-time information to help manage inventory and other issues

- Member focused, “voice of the customer” communications, encouraging feedback in developing programs and services and education solutions through Inquisit, Amerinet’s education division

“In researching and soliciting feedback from our ASC members, we found ASCs need end-to-end comprehensive solutions. We have formulated the enhanced Amerinet Surgery Center Solutions with that focus as a goal,” said Russ Ede, Amerinet’s vice president of non-acute contracting.”

About Amerinet

As a leading national group purchasing organization, Amerinet strategically partners with healthcare providers to reduce costs and improve quality. Through its Total Spend Management solutions and operational performance improvement programs, tools and services, Amerinet assists members in their efforts to reduce costs, improve efficiencies and create new revenue streams. Supported by a team of clinical, data and supply chain experts, Amerinet offers a comprehensive portfolio of product and service contracts to address members’ specific needs. Based in St. Louis with offices in Salt Lake City, Providence, R.I. and Warrendale, Pa. Amerinet serves acute and alternate care site healthcare providers nationwide. To learn more, visit www.amerinet-gpo.com.