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A Message From The GOS President

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Dear Members and Colleagues, Happy February! Wait...... do people actually say that?

For me, the month of February is fairly lackluster. The fact that it is National Bird Feeding month pretty much sums it up. However, the month does offer a brief opportunity to rest before the rigors

of the AAOS Annual Meeting and perhaps some extra time to reflect. While collecting thoughts about what to convey in this note, I read through presidential letters sent to the GOS Membership over the past several years. I quickly realized that the Georgia Orthopaedic Society has been blessed with decades of incredible leadership and participation by its membership. I feel fortunate to have the opportunity to carry that torch a step further over the next year.

First and foremost, MARK YOUR
CALENDARS!!!! The 2023 Annual Meeting is scheduled for Sept 29 - Oct 1. There is no doubt that this meeting is the pinnacle event for our society and continues to be among the most well attended and best state orthopaedic society meetings in the country. It is hard to find a better venue than the Cloister and all that Sea Island has to offer over an early fall weekend. We are fortunate that Dr. Michael Bolognesi ("Bolo") has agreed to be our Guest Lecturer. Bolo has been a great friend and role model to many of us over the past 15-20 years. Having served as President of the American Association

Thomas L. Bradbury, M.D.



of Hip and Knee Surgeons (AAHKS) in 2020, he brings a wealth of experience including a "boots on the ground" clinical expertise and a tremendous knowledge of value based care and global policy issues that will influence our profession for years to come. Despite his tremendous success, he is among the most approachable and "down to earth" people I

know. The weekend will be capped by a repeat performance at the Beach Club on Saturday night by Color the Night. Those who saw last year's performance know that this will be another "pants splitting" event.

GOS remains active both locally and nationally with a most important mission: advocacy for those who have musculoskeletal disease and the surgeons who care for them. As orthopaedists, we are loaded with an amazingly powerful tool. In the overwhelming majority of cases, the practice of our craft improves life's quality and offers tremendous societal benefits. It remains essential that policy makers understand the value of our work. This past September, Jim Barber, Lee McCluskey and Snehal Dalal spear headed our states advocacy efforts in DC meeting with lawmakers to focus on several key issues including threats of declining reimbursement, the onerous and worthless prior authorization issue and physician safety in our clinic and hospitals. At the state level, GOS leadership continues to represent our membership's best interest as it relates to the scope of practice of our non-physician colleagues, non-physician

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title misappropriation, and controversies related to Georgia's Certificate of Need legislation.

With over 660 members, GOS membership remains strong. The lifeblood of our society remains its younger members. Whether or not they ultimately practice in Georgia, recruitment and engagement of Georgia's orthopaedic surgery residents remains a top priority. At present, there are 47 resident GOS members hailing from the Medical College of Georgia, Emory School of Medicine, and Wellstar Kennestone. GOS continues to support its resident members through the Thomas E. Whitesides research symposium at the Annual Meeting, affordable access to society benefits and the GOS "Lawyers, Guns and Money" Senior Resident Conference. Led by Dr. Clifton Meals, the 2024 meeting will occur in early March at Chateau Elan and will offer an abundance of "real life" information about the transition to unsupervised practice.

Societies that thrive and stand the test of time do so through consistent behind the scenes work. Liz Neary has been Executive Director of GOS since 2007. Over that time, she has been a tremendous source of institutional memory and has been the "glue" that holds GOS and its leadership together. In addition, Sarah Moran has spent countless hours maintaining our IT infrastructure, website, and communication efforts. Thank you, Liz and Sarah!

If you have partners in your group or know of orthopaedic surgeon colleagues in your community who are not members of GOS, please encourage them to join or send me their information. Please reach out to me directly if I can help with any matters pertaining to our amazing society.

Monor of Brokery MD Thomas L. Bradbury, M.D.

GOS President

Update from the Georgia Orthopaedic Society Foundation

We are excited about the formation of GOSF to "advance the orthopaedic education and well-being of patients, orthopaedic surgeons and residents in orthopaedic training programs". We have 90 members as of this writing and hope more of you will join us. Currently we have four initiatives:

- 1) GOS Hall of Fame. The following were admitted to the Hall of Fame last year: James Becton M.D., Grady Clinkscales M.D., Joseph "Skoot" Dimon M.D., and Thomas Whitesides M.D.
- 2) Resident Research Funding. We financially supported grants for research projects this year to Emory and MCG. Plan for ongoing support also for the Whiteside Resident Paper Award at annual meeting.
- 3) Diversity Mentoring Initiative. This program will inspire diversity, equity, and access within our Orthopaedic specialty.
- 4) Health Policy Fellowship. We understand the importance of advocacy and will be taking application from GOS members and Orthopaedic Residents in Georgia to get early exposure to current issues and advocacy efforts.

As you know, we recently lost Wendell Duncan, the founding President of this GOS Foundation and committed board member for Georgia Orthopaedic Society. He had a leadership role in the AAOS Board of Councilors for many years. Wendell's passion for our society, our specialty and for his patients, peers and family have inspired all of us. He lived out his faith through everything he did and exemplified servant leadership. Our Society recognized him last year with the Funk Award for his humanitarian service and we will continue to honor him through the work of this GOS Foundation.

Finally, we welcome our long-standing member Steve McCollam to serve as the new President of the Georgia Orthopaedic Society Foundation. He has served with the GOS and AAOS in numerous leadership roles and is the perfect one to guide us now. Check out the Foundation's link on the GOS website. More information will be coming soon!



GOS LOBBYIST REPORT

2023 Legislative Session



The 2023 Legislative Session in Georgia began on January 9th. In an unprecedented move during week one of the session the legislature passed a calendar taking us through to Sine Die. The last day of the Session will be March 29th.

It seemed to be a slow start to the legislative session. Following a difficult 2022 campaign season everyone appeared to be avoiding the controversial topics that defined the 2022 session. However as the days have gone on we are seeing many bills introduced tackling big issues across the board including within the healthcare space.

See below for some highlights for the medical community.

INSURANCE REFORM

Each year we seek reforms in insurance that will align with physicians. So far in 2023 we have seen a few bills that we can support in the area of insurance reform.

HB 295 – (Representative Lee Hawkins) This bill updates and revises some of the specific procedures, timelines and other matters from the "Surprise Billing Consumer Protection Act" from 2020. The changes are pro-physician and we are pleased to be able to support Representative Hawkins, the new Chairman of the House Health Committee.

SB 20 – (Senator Kay Kirkpatrick) This bill requires insurers to follow network adequacy standards and would hold patients harmless where they must seek out of network care due to an inadequate network.

SCOPE OF PRACTICE

Efforts to impose on the physician's scope of practice is a battle that is ever present in the Georgia legislature. This is an issue we remain diligent on. Below are two of the bills dealing with scope of practice for 2023.

SB 102 – (Senator Larry Walker) This bill would allow anesthesia to be administered by a CRNA who is not supervised by a physician after an order by a physician. The legislation would specify that anesthesia administered by a CRNA is the practice of nursing. This bill is one of the biggest scope threats of the session. The bill has momentum but physician groups, primarily the anesthesiologists, are strongly opposing.

HB 215 – (Representative Alan Powell) This bill would update the nurse licensure code by providing for licensure of APRNs and allow APRNs and PAs under a protocol agreement or job description, and to fill out documentation for a patient to apply for license plates and parking permits for persons with disabilities. This bill is an example of a compromise where physicians were able to work with the author to maintain appropriate physician oversight.

We will continue to watch for a bill from the physical therapists that will closely involve scope discussions for orthopaedic surgeons.

TORT REFORM

Georgia continues to rank very low in terms of the tort environment. Every year, there are tort reform efforts at the Capitol but, since 2005, there has not been much success. This year there are a few tort reform bills in place. They include the following.

SB 196 – (Senator Ben Watson) This bill would allow for the admissibility of seat belts as evidence in a civil trial. Legislators feel like the makeup of the committees gives this bill a better chance than past efforts.

SB 200 – (Senator Bill Cowsert) This would provide for a process for a high-ranking government or corporate officer of whom a deposition is sought to seek a protective order.

HB 470 – (Representative Sharon Cooper) This bill would establish ha CANDOR system that would allow for voluntary open communications related to healthcare that are protected from a future disclosure in a civil suit.

LEADERSHIP

The 2022 Elections in Georgia were significant in that we saw a 23% turnover in the Legislature along with new leadership in both Chambers of the legislature. This is a challenge as well as an opportunity. With new legislators comes a period of introduction and education on our issues. We have many new allies. We also lost one physician in the Senate as Senator Dean Burke was appointed to be the Chief Medical Officer of the State of Georgia.

Leadership in the House and Senate along with relevant committee chairs include the following:

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House Leadership

Speaker - Jon Burns (Newington)

Speaker Pro-Tempore - Jan Jones (Milton)

Majority Leader - Chuck Efstration (Dacula)

Majority Whip - James Burchett (Waycross)

Majority Caucus Chairman - Bruce Williamson (Monroe)

Majority Caucus Vice-Chairman - Houston Gaines (Athens)

Majority Caucus Secretary/Treasurer - Ginny Ehrhart (Marietta)

Majority Caucus Chief Deputy Whip - Rob Leverett (Elberton)

Minority Leader - James Beverly (Macon)

Minority Whip - Sam Park (Lawrenceville)

Minority Caucus Chairman - Billy Mitchell (Stone Mountain)

Minority Caucus Vice-Chairman - Karen Bennett

(Stone Mountain)

Minority Caucus Secretary - Park Cannon (Atlanta)

Minority Caucus Treasurer - Shea Roberts (Atlanta)

Minority Caucus Chief Deputy Whip - Sandra Scott (Rex)

Health Committee Chairman – Lee Hawkins (Gainesville)

Special Committee on Healthcare Chairman – Butch Parrish

(Swainsboro)

Public Health Committee Chairman – Sharon Cooper (Marietta)

Appropriations Chairman – Matt Hatchett (Dublin)

Senate Leadership

Lieutenant Governor - Burt Jones

President Pro-Tempore - John F. Kennedy (Macon)

Majority Leader - Steve Gooch (Dahlonega)

Majority Whip - Randy Robertson (Cataula)

Majority Caucus Chair - Jason Anavitarte (Dallas)

Majority Caucus Vice Chair - Matt Brass (Newnan)

Minority Leader - Gloria Butler (Stone Mountain)

Minority Whip - Harold Jones II (Augusta)

Minority Caucus Chair - Elena Parent (Atlanta)

Minority Caucus Vice Chair - Sonya Halpern (Atlanta)

Minority Caucus Secretary- Nan Orrock (Atlanta)

Health Committee Chairman - Ben Watson (Savannah)

Children and Family Committee Chairman – Kay Kirkpatrick

(Marietta)

Your lobbying team was proud to represent you at the State Capitol in 2022. Thank you for your continued involvement in your political action committee (PAC). In 2022 over 90% of the candidates we supported won their elections.

If you would like more information on the PAC or to donate, please click here https://georgiaorthosociety.wildapricot.org/ Advocacy. With seats being won with razor thin margins our contributions are more important than ever!

Thank you for allowing us to represent you at the Georgia Capitol. Our contact information is below. Please let us know if you have any questions or concerns.

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Atlanta

Steven Justin Cowart, M.D.

Hahira

Jason Harms M.D

Suwanee

Megan Jimenez, D.O.

LaGrange

Jonathan Katz, M.D.

Sandy Springs

Christopher J. Linberg, M.D.

Braselton

Thad A. Riddle, M.D.

Cartersville

Michael James Sullivan, M.D.

St. Simons Island

Daniel R. Verhotz, M.D.

Cumming, GA

Sam Vojdani, M.D.

Atlanta

RESIDENTS COMPETITION OF PAPERS

The Georgia Orthopaedic Society is pleased to announce that it is hosting a Residents' competition of papers at the GOS Annual Meeting, which will be held September 28 – October 1, 2023, at the Cloister on Sea Island, Georgia.

We will be offering first, second and third place paper awards. All three papers will receive a monetary prize. The prize awards will be as follows:

1st place — \$1500; 2nd place — \$1000; and 3rd place — \$500.

Important guidelines for paper submission and qualification are listed below:

- The primary author must be a resident.
- A resident may only submit one paper. Additional abstract submissions will not be accepted.
- The resident must be a member of the GOS in order to submit an abstract. There is no cost to join. Click here to access the application: https://georgiaorthosociety.wildapricot.org/Residents-Join-GOS It takes two minutes to complete.
- All three award recipients will be expected to present their papers at the GOS annual meeting. In the event of an emergency, only a co-author who is of resident or attending status current GOS member can present in their place.
- The deadline for the resident research paper submission is May 15th, 2023.
- ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTATION REQUIRED: FOR CME purposes, it is mandatory that the AAOS Financial Disclosure Form is completed. You can complete or update your current disclosure on the AAOS website: https://disclosure.aaos.org
- ** Please submit abstract to this link: https://www.georgiaorthosociety.com/event-5164651 If you have any questions, please call or email Liz Neary, GOS Executive Director, at 478-474-2754, lnearygos@gmail.com.

If your paper is not selected as the winner of the Thomas E. Whiteside's, M.D., Residents Award, then the Program Committee of the Society will review it for presentation during the general session or for poster presentation much like that of the AAOS. A decision should be made regarding the winner of the competition by early June.

GEORGIA ORTHOPAEDIC SOCIETY'S F. JAMES FUNK, JR., M.D. DISTINGUISHED SERVICE OF THE YEAR AWARD

The GOS board has opened nominations from membership for the 2023 GOS F. James Funk, MD, Distinguished Service Award. This award is presented to one who has demonstrated an exemplary commitment to musculoskeletal-focused humanitarian activities and contributed significantly to improving the practice of Orthopaedic surgery. Nominees do NOT have to be GOS members nor do they have to be Orthopaedic surgeons. The nominee should simply meet the above criteria and be worthy of this distinguished service award.

When submitting your nomination, please provide a brief narrative as to why you believe your nominee deserves this award. Please make your nominations soon as they will no longer be accepted for the 2023 award after July 1st, 2023. The award will be presented at the 2023 Annual Meeting of the Georgia Orthopaedic Society (September 28 – October 1, 2023). It will be the 77th anniversary so please save the date on your calendars!

Please submit your nomination online at https://www.georgiaorthosociety.com/james-funk-award

CALL FOR ABSTRACTS!

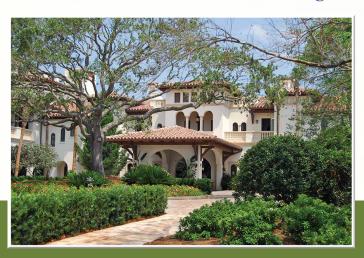
The GOS program committee is now accepting abstract submissions for the 77th GOS Annual Meeting.

Deadline to submit materials is May 15th, 2023.
Please submit your abstract online at the GOS website: www.georgiaorthosociety.com



Please Save the Date and Join Us for the 77h GEORGIA ORTHOPAEDIC SOCIETY ANNUAL MEETING

September 28 – October 1st, 2023 at The Cloister on Sea Island, Georgia



We are pleased to welcome Presidential Guest Speaker Michael P. Bolognesi ("Bolo"), M.D.



Michael P. Bolognesi ("Bolo"), M.D. is Professor of Surgery, Chief of the Adult Reconstruction Division, and Director of the Adult Reconstruction Fellowship in the Department of Orthopaedic Surgery at Duke University School of Medicine. He completed medical school and his residency at Duke, followed by a Fellowship in Adult Reconstruction at the University of Utah in Salt Lake City. After his training, Dr. Bolognesi joined the Duke academic faculty where his practice is focused on total hip and knee replacement, unicompartmental arthroplasty, revision total hip and knee replacement, patient outcome optimization and value-based care. He conducts a high volume of clinical research focused on studying the outcomes of these procedures as well

as investigating the introduction of new technologies to advance this field of care. He has a specific ongoing effort using big data and AI to work out solutions for challenges in arthroplasty care. Dr. Bolognesi is extremely well-published in the hip and knee space. He has served as the President of the North Carolina Orthopaedic Association as well as the President of the American Association of Hip and Knee Surgeons. He is on the Board of Directors for the Orthopaedic Research and Education Foundation and on the AAOS Board of Directors (BOS). He is a member of both the Knee Society and the Hip Society. He and his wife Kelly truly enjoy their three children John (age 17), Rina (age 16), and Julia (age 13).

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RESIDENT AWARD WINNERS -



The Winners of the 2022 Thomas E. Whitesides, M.D., Resident's Award Winners, *Left to Right*

B. Gage Griswold, M.D. – Medical College of Georgia at Augusta University
 Matthew Broggi, M.D. – Emory University Department of Orthopaedics
 Jeffrey Scott Holmes, M.D. – Emory University Department of Orthopaedics
 pictured with Resident Program Representative Clifton Meals, M.D.

PATHOLOGY QUIZ WINNER -



GOS Member and 2022 GOS Pathology Quiz winner, *Don Beringer*, *M.D.*, pictured with GOS Pres-Elect, *Brandon D. Bushnell*, *M.D.*, *MBA* and *Waldo E. Floyd III*, *M.D.*, *FAOA* (2022 GOS meeting Pathology Quiz creator) 2022 GOS Distinguished Service Award Recipient, *J. Wendell Duncan*, *M.D.*



GOS DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD RECIPIENT



2022 GOS Distinguished Service Award Recipient, *J. Wendell Duncan, M.D.* pictured with GOS members (friends/colleagues) after he received his award!



2022 GOS President, *Kelly Homlar, M.D., FAOA*, receives GOS plaque and presidents pin from GOS President - Elect, *Thomas L. Bradbury, Jr., M.D.* (now current 2023 President).





Left to Right
Felix H Savoie III, M.D., FAAOS, AAOS President
AAOS Board of Councilor, Snehal C. Dalal, M.D.
GOS Membership Chair - Eric Stiefel, M.D. and
AAOS Board of Councilor - Leland C. McCluskey, M.D.
enjoy catching up with each other during a break at the
GOS Annual Meeting.

THE GEORGIA ORTHOPAEDIC SOCIETY WOULD LIKE TO THANK THE FOLLOWING COMPANIES FOR THEIR SUPPORT OF THE 2022 ANNUAL MEETING

	PLATINUM LEVEL	
DePuy Synthes	DePuy Synthes, the Orthopaedics Company of Johnson & Johnson, provides one of the most comprehensive orthopaedics portfolios in the world that helps heal and restore movement for the millions of patients we serve. DePuy Synthes solutions, in specialties including joint reconstruction, trauma, extremities, craniomaxillofacial, spinal surgery and sports medicine, in addition to the VELYS™ Digital Surgery portfolio, are designed to advance patient care while delivering clinical and economic value to health care systems worldwide.	DePuy Synthes THE ORTHOPAEDICS COMPANY OF Schween-Schwe
	Building on our proud product innovation and legacy of industry firsts, we are reimagining the orthopaedic landscape with new advancements in medical technologies and digital surgery across the entire continuum of care to Keep People Moving today and tomorrow.	
MAGMUTUAL	For nearly four decades, MagMutual has been a leading provider of medical professional liability insurance. Today, we deliver comprehensive coverage for the practice, business and regulation of medicine to more than 30,000 healthcare providers and organizations nationwide. Our focus on innovation enables us to provide exceptional service, extensive support and financial benefits that result in improved outcomes and stronger PolicyOwners TM .	MAGMUTUAL
United Orthopedics	United Orthopedics, Team 1 and Veritas have been representing Arthrex throughout Georgia since 2017. The agency hosts medical education courses for surgeons and health care professionals at its surgical skills training centers.	UNITED ORTHOPEDICS
	United Orthopedics, Team 1, and Veritas have teams of more than 50 representatives who are constantly aspiring for personal and professional growth. The agency's maintain a high representative-to-surgeon ratio to provide the most comprehensive surgeon education and, in turn, patient care. These agency's are dedicated to Helping Surgeons Treat Their Patients Better™.	<u>TEAM</u>
	GOLD LEVEL	
Zimmer Biomet	Zimmer Biomet is a global medical technology leader with a comprehensive portfolio designed to maximize mobility and improve health. We seamlessly transform the patient experience through our innovative products and suite of integrated digital and robotic technologies that leverage data, data analytics and artificial intelligence.	ZIMMER BIOMET
	With 90+ years of trusted leadership and proven expertise, Zimmer Biomet is positioned to deliver the highest quality solutions to patients and providers. Our legacy continues to come to life today through our progressive culture of evolution and innovation.	
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<u>Acumed</u>	At Acumed, we target highly skilled specialized surgeons who demand comprehensive, high-quality medical devices for patients with simple to complex injuries for optimal outcomes and restoration of function. Our mission is to aid the afflicted through the ingenuity of our minds, the labor of our hands, and the compassion of our hearts.	- - acumed [*]
<u>Aerobiotix</u>	Aerobiotix is a pioneer in air quality management solutions for healthcare. Our medical-grade products use ultraviolet light, HEPA filters, and proprietary filtration to remove 99.9% of bacteria, viruses, VOCs, and more. This proven technology is quiet, safe, and designed to run continuously in occupied rooms to reduce risk of infections and to improve environmental safety. Equipped with integrated tracking, Aerobiotix solutions help facilities worldwide measure and proactively manage air quality.	(A) AEROBIOTIX BETTER AIR FOR HEALTH

American Health Imaging	American Health Imaging high-quality diagnostic imaging services help	
Matt McLees mmclees@ahicenters.com	referring physicians deliver the best possible treatment and patient care. Our radiologists pride themselves on providing responsive service to our referring community. Radiology reports are available in 24 hours and are accessible to referring physicians through our PACs services.	Imaging
	Our professional and caring staff is sensitive to patients who may be worried or anxious about their health and the unfamiliar diagnostic imaging procedure. Patient comfort and convenience is paramount to us as well as a sensitivity to the individual needs of each patient.	
	American Health Imaging offers patients convenient locations with free parking, accommodating scheduling, and we accept most insurance plans.	
Automated HealthCare Solutions	Automated HealthCare Solutions (AHCS) is the leading provider of technology-enabled dispensing solutions for physicians serving workers' compensation and auto injury patients at the point of care. AHCS' powerful, next generation software ezDispense, helps physicians manage in-office medication dispensing while simultaneously removing many of the traditional barriers associated with physician dispensing.	Automated HealthCare Solutions
BAUERFEIND	auerfeind is a leading global manufacturer of wearable medical devices. The company relies on combining an understanding of clinical needs with an unparalleled expertise in technology and manufacturing – accumulated over eight decades. Bauerfeind is about passion for quality and innovation. The result is patented, award-winning quality products and services that make a difference for patients and care givers globally. This is how Bauerfeind has established a position as a leader in the field of orthopedic supports and orthoses, compression stockings, and foot orthopedics.	BAUERFEIND®
Benchmark Physical Therapy and Results Physiotherapy Jennifer Foster 404-641-4599 or Tonya Guillory 404-693-5094	Benchmark Physical Therapy and Results Physiotherapy are a part of the Upstream Rehabilitation family of clinical care. We are committed to provide the most effective, clinically superior physical therapy humanly possible. Our licensed therapists are dedicated to providing the best possible care and outcome for each patient by administering hands on individualized treatment, utilizing manual therapy, and constructing personalized plans of care; all with a passion to help our patients get moving, and get better, faster. We pride ourselves on our open door and high level of communication not only with our patients, but also with YOU, their physician. The measure of our success will be found in the trust we build and in the hearts of those we heal.	BenchMark PHYSICAL THERAPY FOR PHYSIOTHERAPY MAT OF THE UPSTRUM SEMBLIATION FAMILY OF CLYNICAL CARE
Biocomposites marketing@	At Biocomposites, we are distinct in that our team of specialists is singularly focused on the development of innovative calcium compounds for surgical use.	₹ Biocomposites
biocomposites.com	Our innovative products are at the forefront of calcium technology and range from bone grafts to matrices that can be used in the presence of infection.	
	We are proud to be driving improved outcomes across a wide range of clinical applications, in musculoskeletal infection, trauma, spine and sports injuries, for surgeons and patients alike.	
Catalyst OrthoScience	Catalyst OrthoScience is disrupting the usual approaches to shoulder replacement surgery. The Catalyst CSR Total Shoulder System is unique, offering precision and accuracy in shoulder restoration while preserving the patient's bone and soft tissue. The Catalyst R1 Reverse Shoulder System is a single-tray arthroplasty system that offers surgeon-targeted implant positioning, a streamlined and versatile system, and bone sparing implants. At Catalyst OrthoScience, our goal is to develop innovative medical solutions that make orthopedic surgery less invasive and more efficient for both surgeons and patients.	CATALYST ORTHOSCIENCE*

<u>ColdCo Therapies</u>	Providing iceless cold, heat, compression, and DVT prophylaxis to patients in GA and beyond. We have a trained rep delivery every unit, cutting down on bothersome calls to doctor's offices.	Cold Co
EMG Solutions	EMG Solutions is a physical therapy company specializing in clinical electrodiagnostic services (EMG/NCS). Our mission is to provide highest quality care electrodiagnostic testing for healthcare providers through constant professional development, adherence to published guidelines and timely, complete and accurate reports.	SOLUTIONS
Endo Pharmaceuticals	Endo Pharmaceuticals Inc., headquartered in Malvern, PA, develops	endo.
(484) 216-0000	and markets high-value, quality branded pharmaceutical products. Endo Pharmaceuticals' specialty portfolio includes products forurology, men's health, orthopedics and endocrinology. EndoPharmaceuticals is an Endo company. Learn more at www.endopharma.com .	
<u>Heraeus Medical US</u>	Heraeus Medical, the inventor and manufacturer of PALACOS® bone cements and mixing systems, continues to focus on providing quality, consistency, and innovation to the orthopedic joint fixation and infection management market. Used in over 35 million cases to date, all PALACOS® cements are manufactured in a single facility in Wehrheim, Germany and undergo 130 automated quality checks throughout production.	Heraeus Medical
	Heraeus Medical USA is proud to be the exclusive distributor of the PALACOS® portfolio of high-quality cements, mixing systems, and preformed spacers.	
Horizon Therapeutics	Horizon is focused on researching, developing and commercializing medicines that address critical needs for people impacted by rare and rheumatic diseases. Our pipeline is purposeful: we apply scientific expertise and courage to bring clinically meaningful therapies to patients. We believe science and compassion must work together to transform lives.	HORIZON
Hyde Park Capital	Hyde Park Capital is one of the most active investment banking firms in the Southeast - specializing in mergers and acquisitions, capital raising and other financial advisory services for physician practices.	Hyde Park Capital
IrriMax Corporation	IrriMax is focused on reducing infections, healthcare costs and improving patient outcomes	IRRIMAX°
JPMorgan Chase	Healthcare Banking/Lending & Wealth Management	JPMorgan Chase & Co.
LifeLink Foundation	Our Vision is to maximize the gift of life while giving hope to donor families and transplant patients.	LifeLink [®]
	Our Mission is to honor donors and save lives through organ and tissue donation.	
	Our Values are: Compassion. Excellence. Legacy. People. Quality.	
Medtronic	Medtronic Advanced Energy	Medtronic

Modernizing Medicine	The ModMed Orthopedics software suite is a cloud-based, all-in-one solution built to meet the needs of orthopedic practices. EMA®, our award-winning electronic health records (EHR) system, is designed to adapt to each surgeon's style of practice, remembering preferences and automatically suggesting exam notes and billing codes. Available on desktop or touch-based devices, EMA® works seamlessly with our products and services including Practice Management, revenue cycle management, ModMed Telehealth, ModMed Pay, patient engagement tools and more. Our intuitive platform helps orthopedists and staff save precious time and focus more on improving and accelerating results for patients.	ModMed Modernizing Medicine
Northside Hospital Cancer Institute	The Northside Hospital Cancer Institute (NHCI) Sarcoma Program offers comprehensive, multidisciplinary cancer care, sub-specialized clinical expertise and a personalized approach to cancer care. Our Program combines the expertise of an academic center with the touch only a community hospital can provide. We offer patients access to: • Dedicated expertise in pathologic diagnosis of a variety of soft tissue tumors • Comprehensive state-of-the-art plastic and reconstructive surgery • Advanced forms of radiation therapy which minimize damage to normal	NORTHSIDE HOSPITAL CANCER INSTITUTE BONE & SOFT TISSUE TUMOR PROGRAM
	 Surrounding tissues Latest systemic therapies including individually targeted therapy and immunotherapy Access to patient support programs including nurse navigation, support groups, behavioral health services and nutrition services. 	
OPED Medical	OPED - That means innovative products, comprehensive therapy concepts and fresh impetus for medical technology. The focus is on the wishes of the customers and accompanying the patients until they are fully recovered. By reprocessing our orthoses and modern energy production and recovery, OPED produces sustainably and ecologically - a successful medium-sized company with great ambitions for the future.	CPED
Orthopedic Care Partners	Orthopedic Care Partners, one of the largest private equity-backed orthopedic platforms in the U.S., is the holding company for The Orthopaedic Institute, Florida, The Steadman Clinic, Colorado, and other affiliated practices. OCP practices retain their own unique identities and brands while maintaining clinical autonomy. OCP is growing rapidly via multiple paths including: adding physicians (via practice affiliations and recruiting), adding & expanding locations, renegotiating managed care contracts, increasing ancillary services, and growing value-based care.	ORTHOPEDIC CARE PARTNERS
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