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Smith & Nephew Announces Orthopedic Robotics Partnership with Constitution Surgery Alliance

Minneapolis, MN. (February 12, 2016) – [Smith & Nephew](#), a global medical technology business dedicated to helping healthcare professionals, announces a partnership with [Constitution Surgery Alliance](#) (formerly Constitution Surgery Centers), a leading operator of outpatient surgery centers in the Northeast. The partnership facilitates the development of Orthopedic Robotics Programs to CSA management sites with the [NAVIO™ Surgical System](#).

The NAVIO system represents the latest in robotics-assisted techniques for partial knee replacement procedures. Through CT-free navigation and handheld robotics, NAVIO enables the surgeon to create a surgical plan based on patient anatomy, and brings a high degree of implant placement accuracy. The NAVIO system's open implant software supports leading knee systems to provide access to robotics-assistance for a wide surgical audience.

CSA is focused on providing patients with the highest level of surgical care by partnering with physicians and hospitals to develop programs that deliver superior clinical outcomes and patient satisfaction. CSA manages 15 single and multi-specialty centers across Connecticut, Massachusetts, and Rhode Island that focus on orthopedics, ophthalmology gastroenterology, otolaryngology, and urology.

Constitution Surgery Center East, Waterford, CT, and Orthopedic Associates Surgery Center, Rocky Hill, CT, two facilities managed by CSA, have taken advantage of the partnership and currently use NAVIO robotics. “The NAVIO system brings simplicity, precision and accuracy to partial knee replacements,” said Dr. Ammar Anbari, Orthopedic Surgeon at Constitution Surgery Center East. “It has allowed

us to make this complex procedure into a much simpler outpatient procedure. With minimal incisions and multimodal pain management, our patients are up ambulating one hour after surgery and are home that evening recovering with their family.” Dr. Anbari performed the first outpatient robotic assisted partial knee replacement in Eastern CT using the Navio System.

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