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Saint Mary's Hospital First in Connecticut to Treat Postpartum Hemorrhage with New Technology

WATERBURY, Conn. (July 22, 2021) Saint Mary's Hospital is the first hospital in Connecticut to use the Jada System to rapidly control and treat postpartum hemorrhage (PPH) and abnormal postpartum uterine bleeding. Uncontrolled bleeding after childbirth is an emergency requiring immediate intervention, and the Jada System is the first new treatment to be made available for this purpose in the U.S. in over a decade. Mothers welcoming babies at Saint Mary's Hospital will now have the option to be treated with Jada in the event that they experience abnormal uterine bleeding or hemorrhage after delivery.

"This latest treatment option will help us further advance our approach in managing postpartum hemorrhage," says Irina Magidina, M.D., OB/GYN physician at Saint Mary's Hospital, who just recently was the first doctor in Connecticut to utilize this new procedure. "This may be a game changer on a public health level."

Saint Mary's Hospital has been at the forefront of addressing the worrisome trend in the United States of worsening maternal safety statistics. According to the Center for Disease control and Prevention (CDC), the U.S. has the highest rate of maternal deaths of developed countries with 11.2% of all mothers experiencing PPH. Saint Mary's has developed robust protocols to treat postpartum hemorrhage following national guidelines, and its staff participates in routine training and simulation to ensure excellence in managing obstetric

emergencies. These important efforts are complimented by new technology as it becomes available.

“At Saint Mary’s Hospital, we are committed to providing the safest possible delivery for each and every family who trusts us with this precious moment in their lives,” said Karen Beebe, MSN, RNC-OB, C-EFM, C-ONQS, Clinical Nurse Manager. “We are in need of treatment options that can be used early-on to quickly and confidently control hemorrhage. The Jada System is a fast, definitive and physiologic solution that can dramatically change the experience of mothers who experience postpartum hemorrhage. I am glad to have it as a treatment option for our patients.”

While existing treatments are also available and used on a case by case basis, this latest technology, Jada, is proven to control hemorrhage within minutes, at a time when every minute matters to a mother and her newborn. Postpartum hemorrhage, if left untreated, can result in blood transfusions, surgery including hysterectomy and even death. Additionally, according to the CDC, women of color are disproportionately affected, experiencing two to three times more maternal deaths than white women, regardless of income or education.

“I was impressed by how intuitive the Jada system was and how quickly it worked to control my patient’s bleeding,” said Dr. Magidina. “We have several options for medication that we use to control PPH, but when we combine medications with this device, we reduce blood loss and complications associated with PPH.”

The Jada System is made of medical-grade silicone and is designed to be soft. It is placed in the uterus and gentle suction is applied. This action removes blood and induces the uterus to contract and stop bleeding, as it should naturally do after childbirth. Bleeding is controlled in a median of 3 minutes allowing for mothers to spend valuable time bonding with their babies. For more information about our [Women and Infants’](#) department visit trinityhealthofne.org.

About Saint Mary’s Hospital

Saint Mary’s Hospital is a Catholic, not-for-profit, acute care, community teaching hospital that has served Greater Waterbury since 1909. In 2016, Saint Mary’s Hospital became part of Trinity Health Of New England, an integrated health care delivery system that is a member of Trinity Health, Livonia, Michigan, one of the largest multi-institutional Catholic health care delivery systems in the nation serving communities in 22 states. Licensed for 347 beds, Saint Mary’s is designated as a Level II Trauma Center, offers award-winning cardiac and stroke care and houses the region’s only pediatric emergency care unit. As the leading provider of surgical services in Greater Waterbury, Saint Mary’s was the first to introduce the daVinci® Robotic Surgery System. The hospital’s satellites and affiliates extend from Waterbury to Wolcott, Cheshire, Naugatuck, Southbury, Prospect and Watertown. Visit

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