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Skaneateles Falls, NY, January 28, 2015—Welch Allyn, a leading medical diagnostic device company that delivers pragmatic innovation at the point of care, today announced the availability of new Pocket LED and Pocket Plus LED Otoscope and Ophthalmoscope Sets. The sets build on the company’s 100-year history of providing practical solutions that are designed to help physicians identify the presence of various eye and ear diseases and increase the number of patients receiving timely treatment that may help prevent vision or hearing loss. Now available in Mexico, Colombia, the UK and India, the new otoscope and ophthalmoscope sets are optimized with Welch Allyn SureColor™ LED lamp technology, which provides the right balance of color temperature and rendition and brightness to enhance early and accurate diagnoses.

“Since our company was founded on an ophthalmoscope 100 years ago, we are excited to offer our customers an integrated LED lamp in a new generation of handheld instruments,” said Nadja Briscoe, product manager, Physical Assessment at Welch Allyn. “LEDs virtually remove the nuisance of having to deal with lamp failures when trying to complete a physical exam. They give our customers the opportunity to become more energy- and cost-efficient in their practices and help reduce overall cost of ownership of their most commonly used diagnostic instruments. Not only are the customizable colors an attractive feature, but the lightweight, rugged set gives even the most frequent users the portability and durability they need.”

The Welch Allyn LED Ophthalmoscope is designed to provide the exact light needed for fundoscopic examinations as well as all the apertures and filters found in the company’s full-size ophthalmoscopes. The Welch Allyn LED Otoscope provides cool light and no reflection or obstruction for true tissue color, clarity and definition of the ear canal and fundus.

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The Welch Allyn Pocket Plus LED Otoscope has all the same features as the Pocket LED Otoscope plus six lumens for two times the intensity and a five-year warranty. The Pocket Plus Ophthalmoscope has all the same features as the Pocket LED Ophthalmoscope, plus a neutral density light filter switch to help virtually eliminate corneal glare as well as a five-year warranty. Designed with med students and primary care physicians in mind, both sets offer portability and durability and are customizable in four stylish colors (onyx, plum, vanilla or blueberry) including the handle bumper and otoscope window bumper accessory set.

LED lamps are tested to 30 times longer life than traditional halogen lamps and enable three times the on-time per single charge when used with Welch Allyn rechargeable handles. Welch Allyn SureColor™ LED lamp technology preserves the familiar feel of halogen lamps and provides consistent color output while light intensity is lowered to help improve the view and increase patient comfort.

About Welch Allyn, Inc.

Welch Allyn provides innovative solutions to help reduce risk and improve patient safety, satisfaction and outcomes in a variety of clinical settings through a complete range of EMR-interfaced vital signs and cardiac monitoring diagnostic solutions, physical diagnosis instruments, and infection control products. The company specializes in helping doctors, nurses and other frontline providers across the globe streamline workflow by developing cutting-edge products that enable immediate access to accurate patient data. A leading global healthcare company founded in 1915 and headquartered in Skaneateles Falls, N.Y. (USA), Welch Allyn is a family-owned business that employs nearly 2,600 employees in 26 different countries. More information about Welch Allyn and its complete line of connected products and solutions may be found at www.welchallyn.com. Like us on Facebook and follow us on Twitter and LinkedIn.

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