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News Release

WET WIPES ARE EFFECTIVE IN COMBATING THE SPREAD OF THE MRSA INFECTION **Hospital-Grade Products Offer Effective Way to Sanitize and Disinfect** **When Soap and Water Are Not Available**

According to a recent study, methicillin-resistant Staphylococcus aureus (MRSA) is responsible for 19,000 deaths per year.* No longer a problem confined to hospitals and nursing homes, community-acquired MRSA poses a real threat to the public health. Specialists insist that good hand hygiene is one of the most effective ways to stem the spread of this potentially deadly infection since a single hand can carry as many as 200 million bacteria per square inch after using the rest room. Surfaces also carry substantial germs and bacteria. MRSA can live on inanimate surfaces for over 50 days.** Hospital-grade wet wipes manufactured by Professional Disposables International, Inc. (PDI) offer a number of products that sanitize hands and disinfect surfaces, reducing the spread of infection in hospitals or the community. Maintaining proper hand hygiene is key to the health and welfare of everyone.

For Hands:

Sani-Dex[®] ALC Antimicrobial Alcohol Gel Hand Wipes kill 99.99% of germs, including MRSA, while removing bacteria and soil from hands. Studies show a higher microbial log reduction than alcohol rub-in gels alone. Ideal for Healthcare workers and patient waiting areas when soap and water are not available.

Sani-Hands[®] for Kids Antimicrobial Alcohol Gel Hand Wipes are enhanced by the friction of the wipe. Kills 99.99% of germs, including MRSA and contain moisturizing aloe and Vitamin E. FDA food compliant, they may be used before meals. Ideal for patient waiting areas and meal trays when soap and water are not available.

For Surfaces:

Super Sani-Cloth[®] Germicidal Disposable Wipes: The **2-minute germicidal wipe** kills MRSA, VRE, Human Coronavirus, Rotavirus, Rhinovirus and E.coli (O157:H7) on treated surfaces in two minutes.

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Wet Wipes Are Effective Deterrents to Spreading The MRSA Infection...add one

Sani-Cloth® Plus Germicidal Disposable Cloths feature a low-alcohol formula (14.85%) for the disinfection of hard, non-porous surfaces and equipment. Kills MRSA, VRE and TB in five minutes.

Sani-Cloth® HB Germicidal Disposable Wipes are an alcohol-free formula ideal for the disinfection of alcohol-sensitive hard, non-porous surfaces and equipment. Kills many pathogenic organisms including MRSA in 10 minutes.

According to infection prevention and control expert Jean Fleming, R.N., MPM, CIC, hand and surface wipes offer an effective and totally portable method of sanitizing hands and disinfecting surfaces. "Wipes provide a friction action that is one of the easiest ways of stopping the spread of MRSA and other dangerous infections," says Fleming, who travels around the country to hospitals and community groups teaching best practices for the sanitization of hands and disinfection of surfaces on behalf of PDI, the world's leading manufacturer of hand and surface sanitizing and disinfecting wipes.

For more information or to speak with infection prevention and control expert, Jean Fleming, R.N. on why MRSA is spreading in schools, athletic organizations and hospitals, and what you can do to prevent it, please contact Barbara Moss at 201-843-5600 or barbara@rosica.com.

For 30 years, PDI has pioneered the development, testing, manufacturing and marketing of pre-moistened wipes as the optimum delivery system for skin antiseptics, hand hygiene, patient and surface care. With trusted brands including Sani-Cloth®, Sani-Dex® ALC, Sani-Hands® for Kids, Hygea® and Chlorascrub™, PDI serves the healthcare market through hospitals, physician and dental offices, emergency medical services, long-term care, schools and a variety of other healthcare facilities.

Professional Disposables International, Inc. is headquartered in Orangeburg, New York. For more information, visit www.pdipdi.com.

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