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AORN and Syus Announce Partnership

AORN Selects Syus as Partner for Operational Decision Support and Analytics Solutions

(Denver, CO and Nashville, TN) March 29, 2017 -- The Association of periOperative Registered Nurses (<u>AORN</u>) and <u>Syus</u> today announced they will partner to enhance Syus' operational decision support and analytics solutions to further support perioperative leaders in improving operating room performance. The cobranded solutions will integrate <u>AORN Syntegrity</u>[®] Solution content into Syus' existing tools as well as a new benchmarking product that will enable safety and efficiency comparisons across multiple facilities and hospital systems. These enhanced solutions will improve the data and information available to perioperative leaders leading to improved operational and clinical decision making and, ultimately, better patient outcomes and financial results.

Syntegrity is an evidence-based perioperative documentation solution developed by perioperative clinicians to assist in standardizing how procedures are scheduled, perioperative data is managed, and patient care is documented. Syntegrity is designed to make today's complex perioperative environment more efficient, cost-effective, and simply more manageable. Syus provides data-powered tools to improve the performance of perioperative services and is emerging as the industry standard in perioperative analytics.

Janice Kelly MS, RN-BC, President, AORN Syntegrity, Inc., said "With the standardization of perioperative content via the AORN Syntegrity Solution and the analytical tools and resources provided

by Syus, data can be collected and analyzed in a uniform way to provide practice-based evidence that supports perioperative nursing practice and the impact on patient outcomes."

Linda Groah, MSN, RN, CNOR, NEA-BC FAAN, CEO/Executive Director, AORN said "Partnering with Syus presents an exciting opportunity for AORN. The AORN mission to promote safety and optimal outcomes for surgical patients includes providing facilities with the resources they need to make good decisions. This win-win partnership will lead to better data for administrative conclusions and, ultimately, safer patient care."

"We are delighted to have been selected by AORN as their analytics partner," said Kevin O'Hara, CEO of Syus. "With Syntegrity, AORN is supporting their mission with an innovative and practical tool for perioperative practice that also enables critical analytics. We are eager to collaborate with AORN to bring enhanced solutions to perioperative leaders who play such an essential role in the delivery of quality healthcare."

The current OR operational analytical tools are available now. Look for the benchmarking product in late 2017.

About Syus

The mission of Syus is simple: Deliver powerful, easy-to-use, data-powered tools to improve the performance of perioperative services. While hospitals now have vast amounts of data about all their surgical encounters, they often lace the tools to turn this data into in to actionable, easy to understand information. Syus is emerging as the industry standard in OR analytics, working with Catholic Health Initiatives, Universal Health Services, Inova, Health First, UCSD Health System, select HCA, Ascension and Community Health Systems hospitals and many others. www.syus.com.

About AORN

AORN represents the interests of more than 160,000 perioperative nurses by providing evidence-based research, nursing education, standards, and practice resources—including *Guidelines for Perioperative Practice* and the peer-reviewed, monthly publication *AORN Journal*—to enable optimal outcomes for patients undergoing operative and other invasive procedures. AORN's 40,000 registered nurse members manage, teach, and practice perioperative nursing, are enrolled in nursing education or are engaged in perioperative research. <u>www.aorn.org</u>