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**STERIS CORPORATION RECEIVES FDA CLEARANCE FOR UNIQUE CROSSOVER  
SURGICAL TABLE**

*The exceedingly versatile STERIS® 5085 SRT General Surgical Table is the first of its kind in  
North America*

**MENTOR, OHIO – April 6, 2009** – In an ongoing effort to advance healthcare through real-world, practical innovation, STERIS Corporation announces the launch of the revolutionary STERIS 5085 SRT General Surgical Table in North American markets. As the first multi-functional sliding, rotating *and* transporting table for surgical suites, this practical breakthrough technology balances high quality performance with cost-saving versatility, quality and safety benefits that will help surgical departments improve their productivity and workflow efficiency.

“This transport-capable surgical platform is a radical new concept.” states Bill O’Riordan, vice president and general manager of STERIS’s surgical business unit. “The STERIS 5085 SRT table is the first FDA-cleared transport-capable surgical platform, and our Customers can use it with confidence. It safely supports, positions, slides, rotates *and* transports patients, with a single caregiver, throughout the ‘red zone.’ But this is only the beginning of its capabilities and practical benefits. We expect this table to become the benchmark against which other surgical tables are measured.”

The new STERIS 5085 SRT table accommodates everything from advanced imaging procedures and minimally invasive surgical techniques to traditional open surgeries. In the OR, the table’s outstanding slide and imaging range virtually eliminates the need for dedicated specialty tables. Its generous weight capacity and height adjustment range assure safe and ergonomic patient support and surgeon access, even for bariatric procedures. And the new intuitive data-rich hand control, central weight-bearing drive wheel and 360° pivot mode help make maneuvering, positioning and transporting patients a smooth, safe and ergonomic process for patients and caregivers.

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What's more, the STERIS 5085 SRT Surgical Table performs multiple duties in the surgical department and reduces the risk and time related to patient transfers. The table is designed to support and position the patient from induction, during transport by a single caregiver to the OR, through anesthesia and surgery, and during transport by one person to the recovery area. This provides opportunities for parallel perioperative activities, reduces non-operating time, and helps reduce the number of risky patient transfers in the surgical suite. The STERIS 5085 SRT Surgical Table offers the potential to help hospitals achieve significant gains in workflow efficiency, surgical productivity, and patient and staff safety.

**STERIS accessories still apply**

The STERIS 5085 SRT General Surgical Table is one of three platforms in the new STERIS series of general surgical tables. These practical innovations offer a range of highly versatile surgical positioning and imaging capabilities, and can be productivity-enhancing solutions for any surgical suite. ***In addition, all STERIS table accessories for Cmax™ tables that a facility currently owns (with the exception of one headrest) are appropriate for use on the new STERIS 4085, 5085 and 5085 SRT tables.***

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