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**MedicalSupplyChain.com Selects theSupplyChain.com to  
Enable Independent Trading Exchange**

*Institutional marketplace equipped with B2B e-commerce and extensive  
supply-chain management functionality – Site deployed in three weeks*

**NEWPORT BEACH, CALIF., May 25, 2000** -- MedicalSupplyChain.com, an independent marketplace serving the procurement, fulfillment and logistics needs of healthcare enterprises worldwide, together with theSupplyChain.com<sup>sm</sup>, provider of hosted Web-based supply-chain management solutions for business-to-business (B2B) e-commerce, today announced the launch of MedicalSupplyChain.com. Through standardized business processes and aggregation of supplier product offerings, coupled with economies of scale, MedicalSupplyChain.com will facilitate dynamic trade between buyers and suppliers while maintaining autonomy from their influences.

MedicalSupplyChain.com is using theSupplyChain.com's core technology, the scEngine<sup>sm</sup>, to provide its marketplace with standard e-commerce capabilities, in addition to extensive supply-chain management functionality typically found in large, expensive ERP systems. Built entirely on eXtensible Markup Language (XML), the scEngine is an open solution designed to seamlessly integrate into any infrastructure and requires only an Internet browser to operate. Thus, users of MedicalSupplyChain.com will extend their benefits for conducting business online to include those efficiencies driven by an integrated supply-chain: improved performance, process management, fulfillment cycles and resource planning.

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"After months of evaluating competitive technologies, we chose theSupplyChain.com for two very important reasons: economics and fundamentals," said President of MedicalSupplyChain.com, Samuel Lipari. "theSupplyChain.com delivers an affordable solution with the functionality of sophisticated ERP systems. They understand complete life cycle solutions and provide us with a solid foundation for success."

"We are pleased in MedicalSupplyChain.com's decision to use the scEngine to power their exchange," commented Rob Rennie, CEO for theSupplyChain.com. "The scEngine is an open and powerful marketplace tool providing backend functionality necessary for true e-business and supply-chain management. Together, we provide a unique platform for healthcare enterprises to effect substantial cost savings in their organization."

#### **About MedicalSupplyChain.com**

MedicalSupplyChain.com, an independent entity of Medical Supply Management, Inc., is a business-to-business (B2B) e-commerce trading exchange serving institutional healthcare enterprises and their customers. MedicalSupplyChain.com delivers procurement, fulfillment and inventory management functionality supporting buyers and sellers of Food; Dietary; OTC Pharmaceuticals; Clinical Pharmaceuticals; Med-surgical; Urologicals; DME; Textiles; Office supplies; Furniture; Janitorial and Housekeeping supplies. MedicalSupplyChain.com provides for integration with existing infrastructures; Performance Based Contracts; Cataloging; Request for Quotation; Reverse Auctions; Requisitioning; Purchase Orders; Order Tracking; Shipment Tracking; Receiving; Invoicing; Special Offers and Vendor Managed Inventory. Privately held, the company was founded in 1999 dedicated to utilizing B2B e-commerce technology to provide lower operational costs for healthcare enterprises and their customers.

MedicalSupplyChain.com's corporate headquarters are located in Kansas City, MO. For more information about MedicalSupplyChain.com, call 816.228.6006, or visit

<http://www.MedicalSupplyChain.com/>.

#### **About theSupplyChain.com**

theSupplyChain.com, Inc. is the revolutionary provider of Web-based supply-chain management solutions for business-to-business e-commerce. Privately held, the company was founded in 1999 with a focus on delivering enabling technology to digital marketplaces. The products of theSupplyChain.com are completely hosted. Built entirely on XML, they are designed to seamlessly integrate with any back-end infrastructure. The company's core technology, the scEngine, allows for accelerated time to market and offers a cost-effective alternative to conventional e-business technology solutions. theSupplyChain.com's corporate headquarters are located in Newport Beach, CA. For more information about theSupplyChain.com, call 714.437.4420, or visit <http://www.theSupplyChain.com>.