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United Hospital District Adds Surgical Robot to Surgery Team

Blue Earth, MN – June 6, 2025 — United Hospital District (UHD) is proud to announce the addition of the Mako SmartRobotics™ system to its surgical services, marking a significant advancement in joint replacement procedures for the community.

The Mako system utilizes 3D CT-based planning and AccuStop™ haptic technology, allowing for highly personalized and precise surgical interventions. This innovative approach enables surgeons to create tailored surgical plans based on each patient's unique anatomy, enhancing accuracy in implant positioning and potentially leading to improved patient outcomes.

Dr. Scott Perkinson, a board-certified orthopedic surgeon at UHD, will lead the implementation of the Mako system. With extensive experience in joint replacement surgeries, Dr. Perkinson is committed to leveraging this technology to benefit patients requiring total knee, partial knee, or total hip replacements.

"The integration of Mako SmartRobotics™ into our surgical offerings represents UHD's dedication to providing state-of-the-art care," said Dr. Perkinson. "This technology allows for greater precision during surgery, which can result in less pain, reduced recovery times, and improved overall patient satisfaction."

The adoption of robotic-assisted surgery at UHD aligns with national trends emphasizing minimally invasive procedures and personalized patient care. Studies have shown that robotic-assisted joint replacements can lead to better alignment and positioning of implants, which are critical factors in the longevity and success of joint replacement surgeries.

UHD's investment in the Mako system underscores its commitment to enhancing surgical outcomes and expanding access to advanced medical technologies within the community.

For more information about robotic-assisted joint replacement surgery at United Hospital District, or to schedule a consultation, please visit www.uhd.org or call (507) 526-7388.

About UHD:

United Hospital District (www.uhd.org), based in Blue Earth, MN, is an independent system of care comprised of a 25-bed acute care hospital, comprehensive outpatient services, ambulance service and a home health/hospice care program, all supported by a 25-plus multi-specialty provider group with three clinic locations across two counties. UHD was recognized as a 2025 Best Small Hospital for Obstetrics, a 2024 Top 100 Critical Access Hospital, a 2023 Best Small Hospital Under 25 Beds, and a 2022 Top 200 Workplace in Minnesota.