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**MEDTRONIC ANNOUNCES THE GLOBAL LAUNCH OF THE
CD HORIZON® SOLERA® VOYAGER™ SPINAL SYSTEM**

DUBLIN – July 8, 2015 –Medtronic plc (NYSE: MDT) today announced the launch of the CD HORIZON® SOLERA® VOYAGER™ Spinal System for Minimally Invasive Spine procedures. Available today in countries around the world, the CD HORIZON® SOLERA® VOYAGER™ System expands upon the transforaminal lumbar interbody fusion (TLIF) procedure by offering multiple, minimally invasive rod insertion options and enabling a seamless 3D-navigated surgical experience. The announcement was made during the 22nd annual international Meeting on Advanced Spine Techniques (IMAST) in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia.

With the CD HORIZON® SOLERA® VOYAGER™ System, surgeons have the flexibility to use either a percutaneous or Wiltse minimally invasive approach for rod insertion depending upon their preference. The system also features a low-profile, extended-tab screw with inner threading, which eases rod insertion and facilitates rod reduction. In addition, the system is part of Medtronic’s Surgical Synergy™ Spinal Platform – the most integrated portfolio of navigated surgical technologies – which seeks to minimize the operating room from interruption and constraints and gives surgeons the freedom to focus wholly on their patients.

“Medtronic is known for our life-changing innovations and groundbreaking technologies. That legacy – along with our broad portfolio and collaborative partnerships – enables us to truly make an impact on patient care,” said Doug King, president of the Spinal business and senior vice president of Medtronic. This system represents our commitment to take minimally invasive techniques and 3D-navigated surgery even further and develop solutions with clinical and economic value.”

Multimedia Release

A multimedia version of this release, including downloadable images, can be found at <http://bit.ly/1G6KzHz>

Medtronic’s Surgical Synergy™ Spinal Platform

Medtronic Surgical Synergy is the unique integration of our innovative technologies to drive procedural excellence and optimal patient care, designed to enable safer more efficient procedures.

About Medtronic Spinal

Medtronic’s Spinal business, based in Memphis, Tenn., is the global leader in today’s spine market and is committed to advancing the treatment of spinal conditions.

Medtronic’s Spinal business collaborates with world-renowned surgeons, researchers and innovative partners to offer state-of-the-art therapies for spinal, neurological, orthopaedic and oral maxillofacial conditions. Medtronic is committed to developing affordable, minimally invasive procedures that provide lifestyle friendly surgical therapies. More information about Spinal’s therapies can be found at the business unit’s patient-education website, www.back.com.

About Medtronic

Medtronic plc (www.medtronic.com), headquartered in Dublin, Ireland, is the global leader in medical technology – alleviating pain, restoring health and extending life for millions of people around the world.

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