

**Nihon Kohden Launches Life Scope® SVM-7200 Series Vital Sign Monitor,
a Portable, Easy-to-Use Monitor with Customizable Early Warning Scoring**

IRVINE, Calif. – Dec. 10, 2019 – Nihon Kohden, a U.S. market leader in precision medical products and services, today announced the launch of its Life Scope® SVM-7200 Series vital signs monitor, a monitor designed for outpatient facilities and beds that traditionally are not continuously monitored. The monitor allows healthcare practitioners to quickly and easily measure three vital signs – blood oxygen, blood pressure and temperature.

Part of Nihon Kohden's complete line of monitors, the Life Scope SVM-7200 provides customizable early warning scoring that helps clinicians identify patients who are deteriorating or at risk of deteriorating by combining vital signs data with observational information. If an at-risk patient is identified, the vital signs monitor can be easily converted to continuous monitoring mode for viewing of vitals within the Nihon Kohden Patient Monitoring System.

"Even patients who seem stable can unexpectedly decline," said Veffa Devers, DNP, MSHA, RN, CPHQ, vice president of clinical and strategic alliances of Nihon Kohden America. "Most will exhibit gradual changes in vital signs hours before they decline, such as a gradual increase in temperature and heart rate or a subtle, yet progressive change in blood pressure and pulse oximetry. These changes can be a signal that a patient is at risk for a larger health concern, such as an infection or hemodynamics decline. Regular and consistent monitoring of vital signs combined with our customizable early warning scoring can help clinicians identify these patients early and intervene before the situation becomes critical."

The Life Scope SVM-7200 Series vital signs monitor features a high-resolution, 8-inch color touch screen display that enables clinicians to quickly navigate to the information they need. It also includes the company's pioneering inflation-based non-invasive blood pressure (iNIBP) measure, which automatically detects diastolic and systolic pressure while the cuff is inflating. Rather than inflating the cuff to a preset pressure and measuring blood pressure as the compression is released, Nihon Kohden's iNIBP cuff inflates only to what is necessary to determine a patient's blood pressure, making it more comfortable and faster than traditional devices.

Offered with a flexible configuration, the monitor is available with either Nihon Kohden, Nellcor or Masimo SpO₂. The monitor also comes standard with wireless functionality, which will be utilized when the planned two-touch send-to-EMR feature is deployed in a few months.

"Our goal is to design monitors that allow clinicians to spend more time with their patients and less time with the technology," said Yasuhiro Yoshitake, president and CEO of Nihon Kohden America. "With the Life Scope SVM-7200, we have fulfilled this promise. It has an elegant, intuitive design that can be patient-ready in a matter of minutes and can be easily moved from room to room as required. Initial user training for the monitor is easy and can be accomplished in less than an hour, and an on-screen tutorial is available whenever needed."

The Life Scope SVM-7200 monitor is part of Nihon Kohden's extensive line of Life Scope monitors, which cover every acuity level. All Nihon Kohden monitors are designed with the company's premium-as-standard approach, which is based on the philosophy that every patient monitoring feature should be turned on and ready to use at a moment's notice, and that all software upgrades and updates should be included without any additional charge.

The Life Scope SVM-7200 is crafted using the same exacting quality standards that all Nihon Kohden's products are known for and is backed by a five-year warranty. The product also comes with 24/7 clinical and technical support, and software upgrades and updates free for the life of the product.

About Nihon Kohden Corporation

Founded in Japan in 1951, Nihon Kohden is a leading manufacturer, developer and distributor of medical electronic equipment, with subsidiaries in the U.S., Europe and Asia. The company's products are now used in more than 120 countries, and it is the largest supplier of electroencephalography products worldwide. A pioneer in transformational healthcare technology, Nihon Kohden has envisioned, designed and produced revolutionary devices, such as pulse oximeters, arrhythmia analysis, low-invasive blood volume monitoring and wireless patient monitoring. In the U.S., the company is a trusted source for patient monitoring, sleep assessment, neurology and cardiology instrumentation solutions, and has been rated No. 1 in patient monitoring or telemetry for more than 10 consecutive years (MD Buyline). For more information, visit us.nihonkohden.com.

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