## Cox Business Announces Get Started Medical Pitch Contest in Partnership with Ochsner Lafayette General, Opportunity Machine

Medical Industry Start-ups will vie for a \$20,000 Cash Prize



**LOUISIANA – October 20, 2020** – Six entrepreneurs and medical startups will pitch their innovative medical solutions before a panel of judges for a chance to win a \$20,000 cash prize as part of the first all-virtual Cox Business Get Started Medical event.

Presented in partnership with Ochsner Lafayette General and Opportunity Machine, the event will take place on Thursday, October 29 at 6:30 p.m. as a part of Innovate South and

will feature a pre-event discussion with the Trailblazers at 5:45 p.m. To register to attend both events, visit innovatesouth.org.

Each contestant will have three minutes to pitch their idea. Ken Kraft, SVP Cox Business Marketing & Sales Operation will host Get Started Medical. He will be joined by a panel of judges who will follow up with questions and observations. This year's judges are:

- Aimee Quirk CEO of innovationOchsner, Ochsner Health System
- Trivia Frazier President and CEO of Obatala Science, Inc.
- Dr. Lawrence Simon, MD Regional Medical Director, Blue Cross Blue Shield of Louisiana
- Bryan Arkwright Vice President of Innovation, SCP Health
- Josh Sommer Vice President of New Growth, Cox Communications

These experts will review each of the plans and select a winner based on innovation, ease of implementation and consumer/community benefit.

To learn more about Get Started Medical, visit www.getstartedmedical. To register to attend, visitinnovatesouth.org.

## **About the Contestants**

- DynamiCare Health The DynamiCare digital care program reinforces a person's recovery from addiction by offering easy
  to use technology, including random breath and saliva tests confirmed by selfie video, verified treatment attendance
  check-ins, supportive recovery coaching, and reward for healthy progress.
- MedCrypt MedCrypt brings cybersecurity features to medical devices—from pacemakers to surgical robots—in a few
  lines of code. The FDA expectation to "bake in" security into connected devices, means the best solution is one that
  proactively secures devices.

- DOCPACE DOCPACE is the ultimate pre-op and pre-appt management solution for healthcare professionals. The DOCPACE product helps medical staff streamline the process increasing case & appointment volume, improving patient satisfaction, boosting efficiency, and decreasing cancellations.
- Brightlamp Brightlamp is solving the \$17B brain injury and recovery problem with its B2B SaaS 5-second eye testing platform, Reflex, made for iPhones and iPads.
- OR Link OR Link is a workflow management system to optimize communication for surgery. The modern cloud-based web app and companion iPad reduces material/financial waste while improving efficiency, patient safety & education of surgical staff.
- M&S Biotics M&S Biotics developed an autonomous IoT solution to detect, track, count, and locate surgical items within
  the operating room in real-time. This effectively automates the surgical counting process while providing downstream
  analytics regarding instrument utilization.

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