

Amerinet and ASC Communications Partner to Present Free Surgery Center-Focused Webcast Series

ST. LOUIS--([BUSINESS WIRE](#))--Amerinet, a leading national healthcare group purchasing organization, and ASC Communications today announced a series of free informational Webcasts for members as part of Amerinet's Surgery Center Solutions, a comprehensive menu of tools and resources targeted exclusively to the ambulatory surgery center (ASC) market.

"This partnership further reinforces our commitment to maximizing relationships in the ASC market through service, price, education and communication," said Randy Walter, Amerinet's executive vice president. "Working with a recognized industry leader like ASC Communications enhances our ability to help our ASC members improve their financial and operational outcomes."

The free Webcasts, include:

- ***Implant Costs: Why Facility-Physician Collaboration Makes Sense* – Thursday, July 16, 2009, from 2:15 – 3:15 p.m. EDT.** This session features Karen Barrow, Amerinet senior vice president of business development, discussing ways facilities can use collaboration and data to improve margins.
- ***The Pitfalls & Benefits of Being Out-of-Network for an ASC* – Wednesday, August 5, 2009, from 2:15 – 3:15 p.m. EDT.** Scott Rein, founder and president of Strategic Outpatient Solutions, will provide an overview on out-of-network billing as it relates specifically to ASCs. Rein will discuss the most common risks and benefits of being out-of-network.
- ***Working Proactively to Avoid Reactive Situations and Achieve Patient Safety Actualization* – Wednesday, October 21, 2009, from 2:15 – 3:15 p.m. EDT.** Holly Hampe, director, quality and safety for Amerinet, will discuss the importance of continuous quality improvement and ways to identify proactive, practical assessment tools to achieve a higher level of quality in your ASC.

Registration for the sessions is available at <http://www.inquisit.org/iQast/default.aspx>.

About Amerinet

As a leading national group purchasing organization, Amerinet strategically partners with healthcare providers to reduce costs and improve quality. Through its Total Spend Management solutions and operational performance improvement programs, tools and services, Amerinet assists members in their efforts to reduce costs, improve efficiencies and create new revenue streams. Supported by a team of clinical, data and supply chain experts, Amerinet offers a comprehensive portfolio of product and service contracts to address members' specific needs. Amerinet serves acute and alternate care site healthcare providers nationwide. To learn more, visit www.amerinet-gpo.com.