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Pocket Nurse® to Acquire Eriter Creations, Inc., Makers of SimLeggings™

Medical simulation company to manufacture and distribute simulation solutions for bariatric scenarios

MONACA, PA, August 31, 2016 – Pocket Nurse® announced Wednesday it will acquire Eriter Creations, Inc. (ECI), manufacturers of SimLeggings™, SimSleeves™, and SimObesity™ products for simulation. This acquisition occurs in Pocket Nurse’s most successful year to date.

Manufacturing, finishing, and distribution are moving from Alberta, Canada, to the Pocket Nurse corporate complex in Monaca, PA.

SimLeggings and SimSleeves simulate pitting edema, and SimObesity accessories simulate obesity. These sim accessory product solutions present the unique physical complexities of caring for these patients for nursing, EMS, and physical and occupational therapy education. The leggings, sleeves, and full torso shirts fit on manikins or standardized patients.

Anthony Battaglia, MS, BSN, RN, owner and president of Pocket Nurse, says, “This is an exciting development for our organization. Not only is simulation in nursing and healthcare education vital, but teaching students about the realities of treating bariatric patients, and the sensitivity and specialty care necessary, will be important.”

Co-owners of Eriter Creations, Inc., Karen Kennedy, BScN, Med, and Colleen Ward, BSHEC, trust Pocket Nurse as they have distributed their SimAccessories™ solutions for three years. The ECI owners feel they are, as Kennedy said, “leaving our baby in good hands.”

“We have faith that Pocket Nurse is dedicated to continuing the production of an excellent educational solution,” says Ward. “They definitely have the staff and facilities to work up to our standards.”

Since ECI’s founding, no products have been returned due to defects or customer dissatisfaction. Pocket Nurse intends to continue this record of service and quality.

Ward and Kennedy have many people and organizations to thank. They have been supported by Alberta Innovates Technology Futures (AITF), Community Futures, Tec Edmonton, the Regional Innovation Network of Southern Alberta (RINSA), and staff and faculty at Lethbridge College. “Without support and funding opportunities from these organizations, we would not have been able to build Eriter Creations into the successful company it is,” says Kennedy. “They were instrumental in making ECI an attractive prospect to Pocket Nurse.”

About Pocket Nurse®

Pocket Nurse is a nurse-owned-and-operated company that was founded in 1992 by Anthony Battaglia, MS, BSN, RN. Visit www.PocketNurse.com for more information about our solutions for medical education and simulation. Pocket Nurse strives to be the number one distributor of medical supplies and equipment for healthcare education and simulation.