

Crosstex Introduces Innovative Sparkle® Disposable Air/Water Syringe Tips

Hauppauge, NY – September 2014, Crosstex International introduces Sparkle® Disposable Air/Water Syringe tips, the latest addition to the company's Patient's Choice® treatment accessories product line.

"What makes these tips the best disposable option on the market is a series of innovative new features that maximize reliability and ease of use," said Andrew Whitehead, Senior VP of Marketing/Business Development for Crosstex. According to Whitehead, the features that make the new Sparkle® tips stand out among currently available disposable air/water syringe options include:

- A four-part "Quad Core" air channel that keeps water and air flow separate and distinct for specific procedures.
- Sparkle tips connect directly to all air/water syringe handpieces without the need for an adapter, so tips can be changed out quickly and easily.
- Sparkle tips feature a beveled edge on each end; on the patient facing side, the beveled edge increases comfort—without it, the blunt hard plastic tip can be uncomfortable for patients, potentially even leaving scratches in the oral cavity. The rounded edge, on the side of the tip that gets locked into the unit, helps prevent O-ring instrument damage. Additionally, the tips' rigid construction assists with cheek retraction.
- The tips are available in a series of translucent colors and/or clear, allowing clinicians to clearly see water flow (and potential blockages) in the water chamber. And all of the plastic tips are recyclable.

Referencing the question of whether disposable instruments are preferable to reusable ones Crosstex Product Manager, Michele Kennedy cites "risk prevention for patients" as the primary incentive for using disposable products, especially as compared to metal air/water syringe tips that have hard-to-clean inner surfaces.

The reasons for switching to disposable are very compelling for clinicians. Single-use tips allow staff to completely eliminate any risks associated with reprocessing reusable metal tips, which have been found to harbor deposits which can't be seen or removed. And another important advantage of single-use tips are that since no cleaning is required, clinicians save time and increase workflow productivity.

About Crosstex International, Inc.

A division of Cantel Medical Corp., Crosstex manufactures a wide array of infection prevention and control products for the healthcare industry. Founded in 1953 and headquartered in Hauppauge, New York, Crosstex sells products including face masks, which are 100% manufactured in its FDA-registered New York facility. Sold in more than 100 countries, Crosstex products include sterilization pouches and accessories, patient towels and bibs, surface disinfectants and deodorizers, germicidal wipes, hand sanitizers, gloves, sponges, cotton products, saliva ejectors and evacuator tips.

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