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## **PeriGen Honors Awards Recipients At Third Annual Knowledge Summit**

Princeton, NJ (April 23, 2010)- PeriGen, Inc., the only OB-specific risk reduction company to provide solutions which generate immediate quantifiable clinical and financial value, recognized five clients with special awards at its 2010 Knowledge Summit, held in Washington, D.C. on April 22-23, 2010.

“We are proud to honor our colleagues and friends with these awards and well-earned recognition,” said Donald A. Deieso, Ph.D., Chairman and CEO, PeriGen, Inc. “Their devotion has made a significant impact on the safety of their patients, and on the quality of obstetric care offered at their facilities. We are pleased to recognize these clinicians and facilities for their leadership and commitment to OB patient safety.”

**Lenox Hill Hospital** in New York City received the **OB Clinical Excellence Award**. Presented by Dan O’Keeffe, M.D., PeriGen’s Chief Medical Officer, and Vicki Lucas, R.N.C., Ph.D., PeriGen’s Chief Nursing Officer, Lenox Hill was honored for their unmatched level of performance as recorded by the analytics and reporting feature of PeriGen’s advanced clinical decision support solution. This award recognizes Lenox Hill’s outstanding achievement and peerless performance in patient safety.

**Banner Desert Medical Center** and **Banner Gateway Medical Center**, both members of the Phoenix, AZ based **Banner Health** system, received the **OB Nursing Excellence Award**. Presented by Dr. Lucas, the award recognizes Banner’s excellent performance in nursing, as measured by the PeriGen’s nursing dashboard.

For his outstanding work in patient safety, **George Neubert, M.D.**, was honored with the **Leadership in Patient Safety Excellence Award**. Presented by Dr. O’Keeffe, the award recognizes the OB Chair who has demonstrated an outstanding commitment to patient safety, driving a cycle of continuous quality improvement within the department and the hospital. Dr. Neubert is Chair of the Department of Obstetrics at **The Reading Hospital and Medical Center** in Reading, PA.

**Maimonides Medical Center** of New York City was presented the **Strides in OB Patient Safety Award**, in recognition of Maimonides’ great progress toward the goal of OB patient safety in 2009, demonstrated by positive trending data reported by PeriGen’s dashboards. Maimonides’ award was also presented by Dr. O’Keeffe.

The **Advancement in the Science of OB Care Award** was presented to **Franklin Square Hospital** and **Harbor Hospital**, both members of Baltimore, MD based MedStar Health system. Presented by Emily Hamilton, M.D., PeriGen’s Senior Vice President of Clinical Research, the award recognizes MedStar’s contribution in advancing the science of OB care through research performed using PeriGen’s databank of over 300,000 births. Accepting the awards for MedStar were **Sam Smith, M.D.**, Chair of the Department of OB/Gyn at Franklin Square Hospital and **Marion Kerns, M.S.N., B.S.N.**, Director of Nursing at Harbor Hospital.

The third annual PeriGen Knowledge Summit, entitled “Entering a New Decade in OB Care,” brought together scientists and clinician, as well as representatives of leading professional societies and non-profit organizations, to discuss their shared mission of improving patient safety in obstetrics. Attendees included representatives from the Society for Maternal-Fetal Medicine (SMFM), the American Congress of Obstetricians and Gynecologists (ACOG), the Association of Women’s Health, Neonatal and Obstetric Nurses (AWHONN), the American College of Nurse-Midwives (ACNM), Childbirth Connection, and Amnesty International (AI).

#### **About PeriGen, Inc.**

PeriGen is a technology-enabled professional services company specializing in risk reduction and clinical quality improvement in Obstetrics and is the only OB-specific risk reduction company to provide solutions which generate immediate, quantifiable and clinical value. Singularly focused on reducing risk and improving financial performance, PeriGen’s clinical decision support and fetal monitoring solutions are installed in over 100 hospitals across North America. A pioneer in clinical decision support, PeriGen provides innovative solutions and a full suite of complementary professional and consulting services that reduce risk and improve clinical outcomes. PeriGen is a US corporation headquartered in Princeton, New Jersey, with offices in Canada and Israel. For more information, please visit us at [www.perigen.com](http://www.perigen.com).