BROADCAST-Setting the table for innovative solution to prevent cancelled surgeries

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Two OSF HealthCare nurses have created a solution that can save hospitals millions each year from cancelled surgeries due to implanted medical devices. The Peoria, Illinois-based hospital system was able to support research and development that is leading to a spin-off company to get the nurses' *Device Table* solution to other hospitals and outpatient surgery centers across the country and beyond.

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It started as a simple spreadsheet listing medical implants and instructions for how to keep patients safe during surgery. As it grew, the nurses turned to the OSF Innovation Studio Team. Nurse Mary Marvin says they were able to create a cloud-based platform and app with added features and information on more than 75 devices.

SOT-Advanced Practice Nurse Mary Marvin

"The thought that someday someone in California or New York could be protecting their patients by utilizing our app is something that is very special to us because as nurses, taking care of the patient always comes first." (:14)

TAG: A spin-off company called *OpenSurg* has applied for a patent. A member of the Studio Team who will leave to head up the new company and the nurses now have a licensing partnership with OSF HealthCare.

Optional Tag: The Device Table solution saved OSF HealthCare Saint Francis Medical Center \$1.9 million dollars a year by preventing surgeries from being cancelled due to medical devices.