

PRODUCT UPDATE

LUVENA® PREBIOTIC VAGINAL MOISTURIZER AND LUBRICANT

Luvena Prebiotic Vaginal Moisturizer and Lubricant from **Laclede** works with the body to protect against harmful bacterial and yeast growth associated with vaginal dryness. Using natural prebiotics and enzymes, **Luvena Prebiotic** is designed for women prone to yeast infections because of antibiotic use, and those with autoimmune disorders, experiencing peri- and postmenopause, and taking medications that cause dryness. **Laclede** reports that regular use of **Luvena Prebiotic** helps restore essential moisture, reduce unpleasant odors, promote healthy flora balance and pH, and protect against vaginal irritation. ■

FOR MORE INFORMATION, VISIT www.luvenacare.com

CERVICAL CA TERC TEST FROM QUEST VERIFIES UNCLEAR PAP AND HPV RESULTS

Quest Diagnostics now offers the **Cervical Cancer TERC Test** to verify unclear Pap and HPV testing results. The test is based on the human telomerase RNA component (TERC) gene marker. NIH research shows that the TERC gene is amplified in precursor cells of cervical cancer, providing knowledge about which molecular changes turn cervical dysplasia into malignancy. The test will evaluate women whose Pap tests show low-grade squamous intraepithelial lesions (LSIL), and evaluate them for high or low cervical cancer risk. ■

FOR MORE INFORMATION, VISIT www.questdiagnostics.com

PLASMAJET® SURGICAL SYSTEM FOR CUTTING, COAGULATION, AND TISSUE ABLATION

The **PlasmaJet Surgical System** from **Plasma Surgical** is an advanced energy device for cutting, coagulation, and tissue ablation. A fine, electrically neutral stream of plasma—rather than an electric current—cuts and coagulates tissue and bone. The plasma is generated by a very low flow of argon gas passing

over electrodes in the single-use handpiece. When applied to tissue, the plasma stream creates a thin, flexible coagulation layer that prevents bleeding and lymphatic oozing by removing liquid from the wound surface without thermal diffusion to surrounding tissue or fluids. **PlasmaJet** is used in open and laparoscopic surgery to treat endometriosis, endometrioma, HPV dysplasia, and to perform hysterectomies. ■

FOR MORE INFORMATION, VISIT www.plasmasurgical.com

SURVIVORSHIP TOOLKIT FOR LIFE AFTER GYNECOLOGIC CANCER TREATMENT

The **Foundation for Gynecologic Oncology**, formed by the **Society of Gynecologic Oncology**, provides educational and clinical resources for those who treat gynecologic cancers and their patients. **Survivorship Toolkits**, available as PDFs or Word documents, are templates to help women prepare for life after cancer treatment, including treatment and side effects, self-care plans, calendars, and vital information cards. The toolkits are available at http://www.sgo.org/Clinical_Practice/Clinical_Practice/. ■

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BABYQ: AN APP AND WEB SITE TO IMPROVE MATERNAL-FETAL HEALTH

babyQ, developed by two physicians, offers a free mobile app and Web site to enhance maternal-fetal health and thus improve birth weights, reduce preterm delivery rates, and decrease gestational diabetic rates. After taking a short survey, women are given a **babyQ** score (0–100), based on the doctors' algorithm. Users then receive personalized health coaching messages through push notifications or email, including information on lifestyle, exercise, nutrition, and stress management. The goal of **babyQ** is to encourage mothers to make better choices while adapting to the growth and development of the baby. ■

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