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## **ReShape Lifesciences Provides Update on FDA Letter to Health Care Providers Related to Intra-gastric Balloons**

### **Conference Call Scheduled for June 4, 2018 at 1:30 PM Pacific Time**

SAN CLEMENTE, Calif., June 4, 2018 /PRNewswire/ -- ReShape Lifesciences Inc. (NASDAQ:RSL), a developer of minimally invasive medical devices to treat obesity and metabolic diseases, today provided an explanation and clarifying details to a letter dated June 4, 2018 that the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) posted on their website addressed to Health Care Providers. The FDA letter updates the agency's August 10, 2017 letter regarding the potential risks of death associated with liquid-filled intra-gastric balloons manufactured by Apollo Endosurgery and ReShape Lifesciences™.

FDA's most recent communication updates the healthcare community regarding additional reports of deaths they have received since August 2017 and discusses the collaborative effort taken with industry to understand these occurrences and enhance product labeling accordingly. In relation to the ReShape Balloon™, the facts are:

- | ReShape Balloon is approved by the FDA as safe and effective for weight reduction when used in conjunction with diet and exercise, in obese patients with a Body Mass Index (BMI) of 30 - 40 kg/m<sup>2</sup> and one or more obesity-related comorbid conditions. It is indicated for use in adult patients who have failed weight reduction with diet and exercise alone.
- | There has been one (1) reported death of a patient implanted with a ReShape Balloon since the August 10, 2017 letter from FDA
- | The patient death was due to a pulmonary embolization secondary to a surgical repair of a gastric perforation
- | ReShape has received no product liability-related claims in connection with this case

"Patient safety is our highest priority at ReShape Lifesciences, and safety was the main driver behind the unique dual balloon design of our ReShape Balloon," stated Dan Gladney, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of ReShape Lifesciences. "We worked closely with FDA to review and enhance our Instructions for Use (IFU), patient information and physician training materials and we will continue to work with the FDA to mitigate patient risk and optimize outcomes so that we can continue to safely and effectively change lives with our obesity solutions."

"Unfortunately, all health care procedures have a certain amount of associated risk, especially when they are dealing with a patient population that often has many associated difficult medical conditions," commented Scott A. Shikora, MD, FACS; Professor of Surgery, Harvard Medical School; Director, Center for Metabolic and Bariatric Surgery, Brigham and Women's Hospital. "It is important to note that FDA's recommendation to providers remains the same: Intra-gastric balloon patients should be closely monitored during the entire term of their treatment."

The FDA letter to Health Care Providers can be found here:

<https://www.fda.gov/MedicalDevices/Safety/LetterstoHealthCareProviders/ucm609597.htm>

The MDR related to the death mentioned in FDA's letter can be found here:

[https://www.accessdata.fda.gov/scripts/cdrh/cfdocs/cfMAUDE/detail.cfm?mdrfoi\\_id=6967005&pc=LTI](https://www.accessdata.fda.gov/scripts/cdrh/cfdocs/cfMAUDE/detail.cfm?mdrfoi_id=6967005&pc=LTI)

Management will host an investment community conference call today beginning at 1:30 p.m. Pacific Time /4:30 p.m. Eastern Time.

Individuals interested in listening to the conference call may do so by dialing 877-317-6789 for domestic callers or 412-317-6789 for international callers and requesting to join the ReShape Lifesciences call. To listen to a live webcast or a replay, please visit the investor relations section of the Company website at: <http://ir.reshapelifesciences.com/>.

**About ReShape Lifesciences Inc.**

ReShape Lifesciences™ is a medical device company focused on technologies to treat obesity and metabolic diseases. The FDA-approved ReShape Balloon™ System involves a non-surgical weight loss procedure that uses advanced balloon technology designed to take up room in the stomach to help people with a 30-40 kg/m<sup>2</sup> Body Mass Index (BMI) and at least one co-morbidity lose weight. ReShape vBloc™ Therapy, delivered by an FDA-approved pacemaker-like device called the ReShape vBloc System, is designed to help patients with a 40-45 kg/m<sup>2</sup>, or a 35-39.9 kg/m<sup>2</sup> BMI and at least one co-morbidity feel full and eat less by intermittently blocking hunger signals on the vagus nerve. The ReShape Vest™ System is an investigational, minimally invasive, laparoscopically implanted medical device that wraps around the stomach, emulating the gastric volume reduction effect of conventional weight-loss surgery, and is intended to enable rapid weight loss in obese and morbidly obese patients without permanently changing patient anatomy.

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