Providence College Athletics and University Orthopedics Announce New Partnership Focused on Student-Athlete Care

PROVIDENCE, RI, UNITED STATES, September 18, 2026 / EINPresswire.com/ -- Providence College Athletics and Learfield today announced a new, multi-year partnership with University Orthopedics, naming the regional sports medicine leader the Official Orthopedic Provider of 19 of 21 of the Division I varsity teams, including men's and women's basketball.

University Orthopedics is a regional leader in orthopedic care, with more than 70 board-certified, fellowship-trained physicians specializing in sports medicine and a wide range of orthopedic conditions. The partnership—which also includes PC cross country, field hockey, golf, lacrosse, soccer, softball, swimming and diving, tennis, track, and volleyball—will provide the school's student-athletes with specialized orthopedic and sports medicine care, with a focus on injury prevention, treatment, and recovery.

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"University Orthopedics has a long history of caring for athletes at every level, and we're proud to bring that experience to Providence College," said Dr. Julia Katarincic, University Orthopedics president. "These student-athletes put an incredible amount of work into competing at the highest level, and our goal is to provide the specialized care they need to stay healthy, recover from injuries, and get back to the sports they love. We're excited to become part of the Friars' community and look forward to building a strong partnership both on and off the field."

“University Orthopedics has a world-class sports medicine team, and we are excited to partner with Providence College,” said Dr. Brett Owens, Chief of Sports Medicine. University Orthopedics will also host community-focused events featuring Providence College student-athletes and coaches, creating opportunities to connect with Friars fans and the broader Rhode Island community.

"We are excited to be partnering with one of the premier orthopedic care teams in the nation," Providence College Athletic Director Steve Napolillo said. "The health and welfare of our student-athletes is always our top priority. We are grateful for the support and generosity of University Orthopedics, which allows our athletes to compete at the highest level."

The partnership will provide University Orthopedics with visibility across Providence College men’s and women’s basketball and Olympic sports through in-venue signage, game sponsorships, digital content, radio integrations, and other branded initiatives.

“We’re excited to welcome University Orthopedics to the Friars’ family through a partnership that puts the health and well-being of our student-athletes at the forefront,” said Jeff Guarino, Vice President & General Manager of Providence Friars Sports Properties. “Their expertise in orthopedic and sports medicine care will be a valuable resource for our athletics program, while the partnership creates meaningful opportunities to connect with our fans and the Rhode Island community.”

Providence Athletics and University Orthopedics worked closely to develop the partnership with Friars Sports Properties, the locally based team of Learfield, the media and technology company powering college athletics.

About University Orthopedics
University Orthopedics (UOI), with clinic locations in Rhode Island (Cranston, Cumberland, East Greenwich, East Providence, Johnston, Providence, Middletown, North Providence, and Westerly) and Massachusetts (Mansfield, North Easton, Plymouth, and Raynham), is a regional center for orthopedics, sports medicine, and rehabilitation. UOI includes more than 70 board-certified orthopedic, fellowship-trained musculoskeletal, and sports medicine physicians. These specialists are faculty members of the Department of Orthopedics at The Warren Alpert Medical School of Brown University, teaching medical students, orthopedic residents, and fellowship sub-specialty surgeons.

About Learfield

Learfield is the media and technology company powering college athletics. Through its digital and physical platforms, Learfield owns and leverages a deep data set and relationships in the industry to drive revenue, growth, brand awareness, and fan engagement for brands, sports, and entertainment properties. With ties to over 1,200 collegiate institutions and over 12,000 local and national brand partners, Learfield's presence in college sports and live events delivers influence and maximizes reach to target audiences. With solutions for a 365-day, 24/7 fan experience, Learfield enables schools and brands to connect with fans through licensed merchandise, game ticketing, donor identification for athletic programs, exclusive custom content, innovative marketing initiatives, NIL solutions, and advanced digital platforms. Since 2008, it has served as title sponsor for the acclaimed Learfield Directors' Cup, supporting athletic departments across all divisions.

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