

UTAH MEDICAL PRODUCTS INC

Form S-3

June 12, 2012

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UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM S-3  
REGISTRATION STATEMENT UNDER  
THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933

UTAH MEDICAL PRODUCTS, INC.  
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Utah  
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or  
organization)

87-0342734  
(I.R.S. Employer Identification Number)

7043 South 300 West  
Midvale, Utah 84047  
Telephone: (801) 566-1200  
(Address, including zip code, and telephone number, including area code, of registrant's principal executive offices)

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Approximate date of commencement of proposed sale to the public: From time to time after the effectiveness of this registration statement as determined by market conditions.

If the only securities being registered on this Form are being offered pursuant to dividend or interest reinvestment plans, please check the following box.

If any of the securities being registered on this Form are to be offered on a delayed or continuous basis pursuant to Rule 415 under the Securities Act of 1933, other than securities offered only in connection with dividend or interest reinvestment plans, check the following box.

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If this Form is filed to register additional securities for an offering pursuant to Rule 462(b) under the Securities Act, please check the following box and list the Securities Act registration statement number of the earlier effective registration statement for the same offering. "

If this Form is a post-effective amendment filed pursuant to Rule 462(c) under the Securities Act, check the following box and list the Securities Act registration statement number of the earlier effective registration statement for the same offering. "

If this Form is a registration statement pursuant to General Instruction I.D. or a post-effective amendment thereto that shall become effective upon filing with the Commission pursuant to Rule 462(e) under the Securities Act, check the following box. "

If this Form is a post-effective amendment to a registration statement filed pursuant to General Instruction I.D. filed to register additional securities or additional classes of securities pursuant to Rule 413(b) under the Securities Act, check the following box. "

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, or a smaller reporting company. See the definitions of "large accelerated filer," "accelerated filer" and "smaller reporting company" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act.

Large accelerated filer  Accelerated filer   
 Non-accelerated filer  Smaller reporting company

CALCULATION OF REGISTRATION FEE

Title of each class of securities to be registered	Amount to be registered(1)	Proposed Maximum offering price per unit(2)	Proposed Maximum aggregate offering price(1)	Amount of registration fee(1)
Common stock, \$0.01 par value	(2)	--	(2)	(2)
Preferred stock, \$0.01 par value	(2)	--	(2)	(2)
Warrants	(2)	--	(2)	(2)
Senior Debt Securities	(2)	--	(2)	(2)
Subordinated Debt Securities	(2)	--	(2)	(2)
Preferred share purchase rights(3)	(4)	--	(4)	(4)
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$2,000,000</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>\$2,000,000</b>	<b>\$229 (5)</b>

(1) This registration statement covers such indeterminate principal amount or number of shares of common stock and preferred stock, senior and subordinated debt securities, and number of warrants of the registrant with an aggregate initial offering price not to exceed \$102,000,000. The securities registered hereunder are to be issued from time to time and at prices to be determined. Any securities registered under this registration statement may be sold separately or as units with other securities registered under this registration statement. The securities registered hereunder also include: (i) an indeterminate number of shares of common stock or preferred stock, number of warrants, and principal amount of senior and subordinated debt securities as may, from time to time, be issued upon conversion or exchange of any preferred stock, warrants, or senior or subordinated debt securities registered hereunder, for

which no separate consideration will be payable; and (ii) securities that may be purchased by underwriters to cover over-allotments, if any.

- (2) Omitted pursuant to General Instruction II(D) of Form S-3 under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act").
- (3) Each share of the registrant's common stock registered under this registration statement, if issued prior to the termination of the registrant's rights agreement, dated as of July 30, 2004, as amended, between the registrant and the rights agent named therein, includes Series A Participating Preferred Stock purchase rights (the "Rights"). Prior to the occurrence of certain events, the Rights will not be exercisable or evidenced separately from the registrant's common stock and have no value except as reflected in the market price of the shares of the registrant's common stock to which they are attached.
- (4) The Rights will be issued for no additional consideration and, therefore, no additional registration fee is required.
- (5) Calculated pursuant to Rule 457(o) under the Securities Act. Pursuant to the notes for the calculation of the registration fee of Form S-3 and Rule 415(a)(6), the registration fee respecting the \$100,000,000 in unsold securities registered on Form S-3, SEC File No. 333-153361, was previously paid and is carried forward, leaving a balance of \$229.20 to be paid with this filing.

THE REGISTRANT HEREBY AMENDS THIS REGISTRATION STATEMENT ON SUCH DATE OR DATES AS MAY BE NECESSARY TO DELAY ITS EFFECTIVE DATE UNTIL THE REGISTRANT SHALL FILE A FURTHER AMENDMENT THAT SPECIFICALLY STATES THAT THIS REGISTRATION STATEMENT SHALL THEREAFTER BECOME EFFECTIVE IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 8(A) OF THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933, AS AMENDED, OR UNTIL THE REGISTRATION STATEMENT SHALL BECOME EFFECTIVE ON SUCH DATE AS THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION, ACTING PURSUANT TO SAID SECTION 8(A), MAY DETERMINE.

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Subject to Completion, Dated June 12, 2012

The information in this preliminary prospectus is not complete and may be changed. We may not sell any of the securities being registered until the registration statement filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission is effective. This preliminary prospectus is not an offer to sell these securities, and it is not soliciting offers to buy these securities, in any jurisdiction where the offer or sale is not permitted.

PRELIMINARY PROSPECTUS

UTAH MEDICAL PRODUCTS, INC.

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\$102,000,000

Common Stock, Preferred Stock, Warrants,  
Senior Debt Securities, and Subordinated Debt Securities

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We may offer common stock, preferred stock, warrants, senior debt securities, and subordinated debt securities consisting of a combination of any of these securities at an aggregate initial offering price not to exceed \$102,000,000. The debt securities that we may offer may consist of senior debt securities or subordinated debt securities, in each case consisting of notes or other evidence of indebtedness in one or more series. The warrants that we may offer will consist of warrants to purchase any of the other securities that may be sold under this prospectus. The securities offered under this prospectus may be offered separately, together, or in separate series, and in amounts, at prices, and on terms to be determined at the time of sale. A prospectus supplement that will set forth the terms of the offering of any securities will accompany this prospectus. You should read this prospectus and any supplement carefully before you invest.

Our common stock is quoted on the NASDAQ Global Market under the symbol "UTMD." On June 11, 2012, the closing price of our common stock was \$34.805 per share. As of the date of this prospectus, none of the other securities that we may offer by this prospectus is listed on any national securities exchange or automated quotation system.

You should refer to the risk factors included in the periodic reports and other information that are on file with the Securities and Exchange Commission and carefully consider that information before buying our securities.

Neither the Securities and Exchange Commission nor any state securities commission has approved or disapproved of these securities or passed upon the accuracy or adequacy of this prospectus. Any representation to the contrary is a criminal offense.

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This prospectus may not be used to consummate the sale of any securities unless accompanied by a prospectus supplement relating to the securities offered.

The date of this prospectus is \_\_\_\_\_, 2012.

You should rely only on the information contained in this prospectus and the accompanying prospectus supplement, including the information incorporated by reference herein as described under “Information Incorporated by Reference.” We have not authorized anyone to provide you with information different from that contained in or incorporated by reference into this prospectus and the accompanying prospectus supplement. This prospectus and the accompanying prospectus supplement may be used only for the purposes for which they have been published, and no person has been authorized to give any information not contained in, or incorporated by reference into, this prospectus and the accompanying prospectus supplement. If you receive any other information, you should not rely on it.

The information contained in this prospectus and the accompanying prospectus supplement is accurate only as of the dates on the cover pages of this prospectus or the accompanying prospectus supplement, as applicable. The information incorporated by reference into this prospectus or the accompanying prospectus supplement is accurate only as of the date of the document incorporated by reference. Any statement made in this prospectus, the accompanying prospectus supplement, or in a document incorporated or deemed to be incorporated by reference in this prospectus will be deemed to be modified or superseded for purposes of this prospectus to the extent that a statement contained in this prospectus, the accompanying prospectus supplement, or in any other subsequently filed document that is also incorporated or deemed to be incorporated by reference in this prospectus modifies or supersedes that statement. Any statement so modified or superseded will be deemed to constitute a part of this prospectus only to the extent so modified or superseded. See “Information Incorporated by Reference.”

We are not making an offer of these securities in any jurisdiction where the offer is not permitted.

#### ABOUT THIS PROSPECTUS

This prospectus is part of a registration statement on Form S-3 that we filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission, which we refer to as the SEC, using a “shelf” registration, or continuous offering, process. Under this shelf registration process, we may issue and sell any combination of the securities described in this prospectus in one or more offerings with a maximum aggregate offering price of up to \$102,000,000.

This prospectus provides you with a general description of the securities we may offer. Each time we sell securities under this shelf registration, we will provide a prospectus supplement that will contain specific information about the terms of that offering, including a description of any risks relating to the offering if those terms and risks are not described in this prospectus. A prospectus supplement may also add, update, or change information contained in this prospectus. If there is any inconsistency between the information in this prospectus and the applicable prospectus supplement, you should rely on the information in the prospectus supplement. The registration statement we filed with the SEC includes exhibits that provide more details of the matters discussed in this prospectus. You should read this prospectus and the related exhibits filed with the SEC and the accompanying prospectus supplement together with additional information described under the headings “Available Information” and “Information Incorporated by Reference” before investing in any of the securities offered.

We may sell securities to or through underwriters or dealers and also may sell securities directly to other purchasers or through agents. To the extent not described in this prospectus, the names of any underwriters, dealers, or agents employed by us in the sale of the securities covered by this prospectus, the principal amounts or number of shares or other securities, if any, to be purchased by such underwriters or dealers, and the compensation, if any, of such underwriters, dealers, or agents will be set forth in an accompanying prospectus supplement.

Unless the context otherwise requires, all references in this prospectus to “us,” “our,” “we,” “the “Company,” or other similar terms are to Utah Medical Products, Inc.



### AVAILABLE INFORMATION

We are a public company and are required to file annual, quarterly and current reports, proxy statements, and other information with the SEC pursuant to the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or the Exchange Act. You may read and copy any document we file at the SEC's Public Reference Room at 100 F Street NE, Washington, D.C. 20549. You can request copies of these documents by writing to the SEC and paying a fee for the copying cost. Please call the SEC at 1-800-SEC-0330 for more information about the operation of the public reference room. Our SEC filings are also available to the public on the SEC's website at <http://www.sec.gov>. In addition, because our stock is listed for trading on the NASDAQ Global Market, you can read and copy reports and other information concerning us at the offices of the NASDAQ Stock Market located at One Liberty Plaza, 165 Broadway, New York, NY 10006.

We filed a registration statement on Form S-3 under the Securities Act with the SEC respecting the securities being offered pursuant to this prospectus. This prospectus is only part of the registration statement and omits certain information contained in the registration statement, as permitted by the SEC. You should refer to the registration statement, including the exhibits, for further information about us and the securities being offered pursuant to this prospectus. Statements in this prospectus regarding the provisions of certain documents filed with, or incorporated by reference in, the registration statement are not necessarily complete and each statement is qualified in all respects by that reference. You may:

- inspect a copy of the registration statement, including the exhibits and schedules, without charge at the SEC's Public Reference Room;
- obtain a copy from the SEC upon payment of the fees prescribed by the SEC; or
- obtain a copy from the SEC website.

General information, financial news releases, and filings with the SEC, including annual reports on Form 10-K, quarterly reports on Form 10-Q, current reports on Form 8-K, and all amendments to these reports, are available free of charge on the SEC's website at [www.sec.gov](http://www.sec.gov). We are not including the information contained on our website as part of, or incorporating it by reference into, this prospectus.



## THE COMPANY

Utah Medical Products, Inc., produces high quality, cost-effective medical devices that are predominantly proprietary, disposable, and for hospital use. We believe success depends on (1) recognizing needs of clinicians and patients; (2) rapidly designing or acquiring economical solutions that gain premarketing regulatory concurrence; (3) reliably producing products that meet those clinical needs, and then (4) selling through:

- (a) our own direct channels into markets where we enjoy an established reputation and have a critical mass of sales and support resources, or
- (b) establishing relationships with other medical companies that have the resources to effectively introduce and support our products.

We manufacture and market products in four general categories: (1) gynecology/electrosurgery/ urology, which accounted for approximately 51% of 2011 revenues, comprised of tools for gynecological procedures associated with cervical/uterine disease, including LETZ, endometrial sampling, transvaginal uterine sonography, diagnostic laparoscopy, and other minimally invasive surgical procedures; female surgical contraception (tubal ligation); specialty excision and incision tools; conservative urinary incontinence therapy devices; and urology tools; (2) obstetrics, which accounted for approximately 15% of 2011 revenues, comprised of labor and delivery management tools for monitoring fetal and maternal well-being, for reducing risk in performing difficult delivery procedures, and for improving clinician and patient safety; (3) neonatal care, which accounted for approximately 18% of 2011 revenues, comprised of devices that provide developmental-friendly care to the most critically ill babies, including providing vascular access and enteral feeding, administering vital fluids, maintaining a neutral thermal environment, providing protection, and assisting in specialized applications; and (4) blood pressure monitoring/ accessories/other, which accounted for approximately 16% of 2011 revenues, comprised of specialized components as well as molded parts sold on an OEM (original equipment manufacturer) basis to other companies.

In these four categories, our primary revenue contributors enjoy a significant market share and may have differentiated product features protected by patents.

Of our 2011 international revenues, approximately 68% were derived from gynecology, electrosurgery, and urology sales; 21% were derived from blood pressure monitoring and accessories sales; 7% were derived from neonatal care; and 4% were derived from obstetrics.

We were formed as a Utah corporation in 1978. We publicly raised equity capital one time in 1982. In 1994, we acquired all of the tangible and intangible assets of OB Tech, Inc., a Huntington Beach, California company, the original owner of the Cordguard(R) concept. In 1995, Utah Medical Products Ltd., a wholly owned subsidiary located in Ireland, was formed to establish an international manufacturing capability. In 1997, we purchased Columbia Medical, Inc., a Redmond, Oregon company specializing in silicone injection molding, assembly, and marketing of vacuum-assisted obstetrical delivery systems. In 1998, we acquired the neonatal product line of Gesco International, a subsidiary of Bard Access Systems and C.R. Bard, Inc. On March 8, 2000, we returned to the NASDAQ Stock Market after trading on the New York Stock Exchange for about three years. We were previously listed on NASDAQ for 14 years. In 2004, we acquired Abcorp, Inc., our supplier of fetal monitoring belts. In March 2011, we acquired Femcare Holdings Limited, which manufactures and sells the Filshie Clip System, a female surgical contraception device (tubal ligation) placed on the fallopian tubes.



Our corporate offices are located at 7043 South 300 West, Midvale, Utah 84047 USA. The corporate telephone number is (801) 566-1200. Ireland operations are located at the Athlone Business and Technology Park, Athlone, County Westmeath, Ireland. The telephone number in Ireland is 353 (90) 647-3932. Femcare's UK headquarters are located at Stuart Court, Spursholt Place, Salisbury Road, Romsey, Hampshire, UK. The UK phone number is 44 (179) 452-5100.

For additional information concerning our business and affairs, please refer to the documents incorporated by reference that are listed under the caption "Information Incorporated by Reference."

### FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

Statements included or incorporated by reference in this prospectus include both historical and "forward-looking" statements under federal securities laws. These statements are based on current expectations and projections about future results and include the discussion of our business strategies and expectations concerning future operations, margins, profitability, liquidity, and capital resources. In addition, in certain portions of this prospectus, the documents incorporated by reference, and any prospectus supplement, the words "anticipate," "believe," "estimate," "may," "expect," "plan," "intend," and similar expressions, as they relate to us or our management, are intended to identify forward-looking statements. These forward-looking statements involve known and unknown risks, uncertainties, and other factors that may cause the actual results, performance, or achievements to be materially different from any future results, performance, or achievements expressed or implied by these forward-looking statements. These statements are based upon the beliefs and assumptions of, and on information available to, our management. Although we have attempted to identify important factors that could cause the actual results to differ materially, there may be other factors that cause the forward-looking statement not to come true as anticipated, believed, projected, expected, or intended. Should one or more of these risks or uncertainties materialize, or should underlying assumptions prove incorrect, actual results may differ materially from those described herein as anticipated, believed, projected, estimated, expected, or intended. The estimates and assumptions that we use in the preparation of our financial statements are subject to change and are not intended to be relied upon as predictions of future operating results, and we assume no obligation to update or disclose revisions to those estimates.

Factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from those expressed or implied by the forward-looking statements include, but are not limited to, those referred to under "Risk Factors." Unless required by law, we do not assume any obligation to update forward-looking statements based on unanticipated events or changed expectations. However, you should carefully review the reports and documents we file from time to time with the SEC, particularly our annual reports on Form 10-K, quarterly reports on Form 10-Q, and any current reports on Form 8-K.

### RISK FACTORS

An investment in our securities involves risks. You should carefully consider the risk factors incorporated by reference to our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2011, our Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the fiscal quarter ended March 31, 2012, and the other information contained in this prospectus, as updated by our subsequent filings under the Exchange Act, and the risk factors and other information contained in the applicable prospectus supplement before acquiring any of our securities.

## USE OF PROCEEDS

Unless otherwise indicated in an accompanying prospectus supplement, the net proceeds from the sale of the securities offered hereby will be used for general corporate purposes, which may include working capital, capital expenditures, development costs, strategic investments, and possible acquisitions. We have not allocated any portion of the net proceeds for any particular use at this time. The net proceeds may be invested temporarily until they are used for their stated purpose. Specific information concerning the use of proceeds from the sale of any securities will be included in the prospectus supplement relating to such securities.

## RATIO OF EARNINGS TO FIXED CHARGES

The following table sets forth our historical ratio of earnings to fixed charges and ratio of earnings to combined fixed charges for the periods indicated. We had no preferred stock outstanding and did not pay preferred stock dividends during these periods.

	Three Months Ended March 31, 2012	2011	Year Ended December 31,			
			2010	2009	2008	2007
Ratio of earnings to f i x e d charges	18.3	12.9	162.3	90.3	43.2	37.9

The ratio of earnings to fixed charges has been computed on a consolidated basis. Earnings consists of pre-tax income from continuing operations before fixed charges, amortization of capitalized interest, and minority interest minus interest capitalized. Fixed charges consist of the sum of interest expensed and capitalized, amortized premiums, discounts, and capitalized expenses relating to indebtedness, and an estimate of the interest within rental expense.

## DESCRIPTION OF CAPITAL STOCK

The following description of our common stock and our preferred stock is a summary. You should refer to our articles of incorporation and our bylaws for the actual terms of our capital stock.

## Common Stock

We are authorized to issue 50,000,000 shares of common stock, \$0.01 par value. On June 11, 2012, there were 3,685,000 outstanding shares of our common stock. Holders of our common stock are entitled to one vote per share on all matters submitted to a vote of stockholders and may not cumulate votes for the election of directors. Common stockholders have the right to receive dividends when, as, and if declared by the board of directors from funds legally available therefor. Holders of common stock have no preemptive rights and have no rights to convert their common stock into any other securities.

## Preferred Stock

We are authorized to issue up to 5,000,000 shares of preferred stock, \$0.01 par value. As of June 11, 2012, there were no preferred shares issued or outstanding. The shares of preferred stock have such rights and preferences as our board of directors shall determine from time to time. Our common stock is subject to the express terms of our preferred stock and any series thereof. The issuance of preferred stock, while providing desirable flexibility in connection with possible acquisition and other corporate purposes, could have the effect of making it more difficult for a third party to acquire, or discourage a third party from acquiring, a majority of our outstanding common stock. Our board of directors may issue preferred stock with voting and conversion rights that could adversely affect the voting power of the holders of our common stock. There are no current agreements or understandings for the issuance of preferred stock, and our board of directors has no present intention to issue any shares of preferred stock.

If we offer a series of preferred stock, we will describe the specific terms of that series in a prospectus supplement, including:

- the title of the series of preferred stock and the number of shares offered;
- the price at which the preferred stock will be issued;
- the dividend rate, if any, the dates on which the dividends will be payable, and other terms relating to the payment of dividends on the preferred stock;
- the voting rights of the preferred stock;
- whether the preferred stock is redeemable or subject to a sinking fund, and the terms of any such redemption or sinking fund;
- whether the preferred stock is convertible into any other securities, and the terms and conditions of any such conversion;
- the liquidation preference of the preferred stock; and
- any additional rights, preferences, and limitation of the preferred stock.

The description of the terms of a series of preferred stock to be set forth in an applicable prospectus supplement will not be complete and will be subject to, and qualified in its entirety by reference to, the certificate of designation relating to that series of preferred stock. The registration statement of which this prospectus forms a part will include the certificate of designation as an exhibit or as a document incorporated by reference.

Any preferred stock will, when issued, be fully paid and nonassessable.

## Series A Participating Preferred Stock

We are authorized to issue 500,000 shares of Series A Participating Preferred Stock, par value \$0.01. Such preferred stock is nonredeemable and subordinate to any other series of our preferred stock that may at any time be issued. We currently do not have any preferred stock outstanding. The Series A Participating Preferred Stock is authorized for issuance pursuant to the preferred stock purchase rights that trade with the common stock, as described below. Each share of Series A Participating Preferred Stock is entitled to receive, when, as and if declared, a dividend in an amount equal to 100 times the cash dividend declared on each share of common stock and 100 times any noncash dividends

declared with respect to each share of common stock, in like kind, other than a dividend payable in shares of common stock. In the event of liquidation, the holder of each share of Series A Participating Preferred Stock shall be entitled to receive a liquidation payment in an amount equal to 100 times the liquidation payment made per share of our common stock. Each share of Series A Participating Preferred Stock has 100 votes, voting together with the common stock and not as a separate class, unless otherwise required by law or our articles of incorporation. In the event of any merger, consolidation, or other transaction in which shares of our common stock are exchanged, each share of Series A Participating Preferred Stock is entitled to receive 100 times the amount received per share of our common stock.

Each share of our common stock includes one right (a Right) that entitles the registered holder to purchase from us one one-hundredth (1/100) of a share of Series A Participating Preferred Stock at an exercise price of \$100 per Right, subject to adjustment to prevent dilution. Initially the Rights will not be exercisable, certificates for the Rights will not be issued, and unless and until the Rights become exercisable, they will be transferred with and only with the shares of common stock. The Rights are exercisable on the separation date, which will occur on the earlier of: (i) 10 calendar days following a public announcement that certain persons or groups have acquired 20% or more of our outstanding voting shares; (ii) 10 calendar days following the commencement or public announcement of the intent of any person to acquire 20% or more of our outstanding voting shares; or (iii) such later date as may be fixed by the board of directors. Following the separation date, certificates representing the Rights will be mailed to holders of record of common stock and thereafter such certificates alone will evidence the Rights. If any person acquires more than 20% of our outstanding common stock or we engage in certain business combinations, other than pursuant to a tender or exchange offering for all shares of common stock approved by the board of directors, the Rights become exercisable for common stock, in lieu of Series A Participating Preferred Stock, by paying one half of the exercise price of the Right for a number of shares of our common stock having an aggregate market price equal to such exercise price. Any Rights that are or were beneficially owned by a person that has acquired 20% or more of the outstanding common stock will become void.

We may redeem the Rights at \$0.01 per Right at any time until 10 business days after public announcement that a person has acquired 20% or more of the outstanding shares of our common stock, provided that the redemption is approved by our Rights Redemption Committee, a committee consisting of at least three continuing directors, a majority of whom are not our employees. The Rights will expire on October 28, 2014, unless earlier redeemed by us. Unless the Rights have been previously redeemed, all shares of common stock issued by us will include Rights. As long as the Rights are redeemable, the Rights Redemption Committee without further stockholder approval may, except with respect to the exercise price or expiration date of the Rights, amend the Rights in any matter that, in the opinion of the board of directors, does not materially adversely affect the interests of holders of the Rights.

The stockholders' Rights Agreement contemplates that we will reserve a sufficient number of authorized but unissued shares of common stock to permit the exercise in full of the Rights granted to the current stockholders should these Rights become exercisable.

#### Transfer Agent and Registrar

The transfer agent and registrar for our stock is Registrar and Transfer Company, 10 Commerce Street, Cranford, New Jersey 07016, and can be reached at (800) 368-5948.

## DESCRIPTION OF WARRANTS

### General Description of Warrants

We may issue warrants for the purchase of debt securities, preferred stock, or common stock, or any combination of these securities. Warrants may be issued independently or together with other securities and may be attached to, or separate from, any offered securities. Each series of warrants will be issued under a separate warrant agreement to be entered into between a warrant agent and us. The warrant agent will act solely as our agent in connection with the warrants and will not have any obligation or relationship of agency or trust for or with any holders or beneficial owners of warrants. The following outlines some of the general terms and provisions of the warrants that we may issue from time to time. Additional terms of the warrants and the applicable warrant agreement will be set forth in the applicable prospectus supplement. The following description, and any description of the warrants included in a prospectus supplement, may not be complete and is subject to and qualified in its entirety by reference to the terms and provisions of the applicable warrant agreement, which we will file with the SEC in connection with any offering of warrants.

### Debt Warrants

The prospectus supplement relating to a particular issue of warrants exercisable for debt securities will describe the terms of those warrants, including the following:

- the title of the warrants;
- the offering price for the warrants, if any;
- the aggregate number of the warrants;
- the designation and terms of the debt securities purchasable upon exercise of the warrants;
- if applicable, the designation and terms of the securities that the warrants are issued with and the number of warrants issued with each security;
- if applicable, the date from and after which the warrants and any securities issued with the warrants will be separately transferable;
- the principal amount and price of debt securities that may be purchased upon exercise of a warrant;
- the dates on which the right to exercise the warrants commences and expires;
- if applicable, the minimum or maximum amount of the warrants that may be exercised at any one time;
- whether the warrants represented by the warrant certificates or debt securities that may be issued upon exercise of the warrants will be issued in registered or bearer form;
- information relating to book-entry procedures, if any;
- if applicable, a discussion of material U.S. federal income tax considerations;
- antidilution provisions of the warrants if any;



- redemption or call provisions, if any, applicable to the warrants; and
- any additional terms of the warrants, including terms, procedures, and limitations relating to the exchange and exercise of the warrants.

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## Stock Warrants

The prospectus supplement relating to a particular issue of warrants exercisable for common stock or preferred stock will describe the terms of the common stock warrants and preferred stock warrants, including the following:

- the title of the warrants;
- the offering price for the warrants, if any;
- the aggregate number of the warrants;
- the designation and terms of the common stock or preferred stock that may be purchased upon exercise of the warrants;
- if applicable, the designation and terms of the securities that the warrants are issued with and the number of warrants issued with each security;
- if applicable, the date from and after which the warrants and any securities issued with the warrants will be separately transferable;
- the number of shares and price of common stock or preferred stock that may be purchased upon exercise of a warrant;
- the dates on which the right to exercise the warrants commences and expires;
- if applicable, the minimum or maximum amount of the warrants that may be exercised at any one time;
- if applicable, a discussion of material U.S. federal income tax considerations;
- antidilution provisions of the warrants, if any;
- redemption or call provisions, if any, applicable to the warrants; and
- any additional terms of the warrants, including terms, procedures, and limitations relating to the exchange and exercise of the warrants.

## Exercise of Warrants

Each warrant will entitle the holder of the warrant to purchase, at the exercise price set forth in the applicable prospectus supplement, the principal amount of debt securities or shares of common stock or preferred stock being offered. Holders may exercise warrants at any time up to the close of business on the expiration date set forth in the applicable prospectus supplement. After the close of business on the expiration date, unexercised warrants will be void. Holders may exercise warrants as set forth in the prospectus supplement relating to the warrants being offered.

Until a holder exercises the warrants to purchase any securities underlying the warrants, the holder will not have any rights as a holder of the underlying securities by virtue of ownership of warrants.

#### DESCRIPTION OF DEBT SECURITIES

This section describes the general terms and provisions of the debt securities that we may issue separately upon conversion or exchange of preferred stock or upon exercise of a debt warrant, any of which may be issued as convertible or exchangeable debt securities. We will set forth the particular terms of the debt securities we offer in a prospectus supplement. The extent, if any, to which the following general provisions apply to particular debt securities will be described in the applicable prospectus supplement. The following descriptions of general terms relating to the debt securities and the indentures under which the debt securities will be issued are summaries only and therefore are not complete. You should read the indenture and the prospectus supplement regarding any particular issuance of debt securities. The debt securities will represent our unsecured general obligations, unless otherwise provided in the prospectus supplement.

The debt securities will be issued under indentures, between us and a trustee, which will be named in the applicable prospectus supplement, and may be supplemented or amended from time to time following their execution. The indentures and any supplemental indentures thereto will be subject to, and governed by, the Trust Indenture Act of 1939.

The forms of indentures give us broad authority to set the particular terms of each series of debt securities issued thereunder, including the right to modify certain of the terms contained in the indentures.

Except to the extent set forth in a prospectus supplement, the indentures do not contain any covenants or restrictions that afford holders of the debt securities special protection in the event of a change of control or highly leveraged transaction.

#### General

The indentures will not limit the aggregate principal amount of debt securities that may be issued under them and will provide that debt securities may be issued in one or more series, in such form or forms, with such terms and up to the aggregate principal amount that we may authorize from time to time. Our board of directors will establish the terms of each series of debt securities, and such terms will be set forth or determined in the manner provided in an officers' certificate or by a supplemental indenture. The particular terms of the debt securities offered pursuant to any prospectus supplement will be described in the prospectus supplement. All debt securities of one series need not be issued at the same time and, unless otherwise provided, a series may be reopened, without the consent of any holder, for issuances of additional debt securities of that series.

The applicable prospectus supplement will describe the following terms of any series of debt securities that we may offer (to the extent applicable to the debt securities):

- the title and designation of the debt securities (which shall distinguish debt securities of one series from debt securities of any other series), including whether the debt securities shall be issued as senior debt securities, senior subordinated debt securities, or subordinated debt securities; any subordination provisions particular to such series of debt securities; and whether such debt securities are convertible and/or exchangeable for other securities;



- the aggregate principal amount of the debt securities and any limit upon the aggregate principal amount of the debt securities;
- the date or dates (whether fixed or extendable) on which the principal of the debt securities is payable or the method of determination thereof;
- the rate or rates (which may be fixed, floating, or adjustable) at which the debt securities shall bear interest, if any, the method of calculating the rates, the date or dates from which interest shall accrue or the manner of determining those dates, the interest payment dates on which interest shall be payable, the record dates for the determination of holders to whom interest is payable, and the basis upon which interest shall be calculated if other than that of a 360-day year;
- the place or places where the principal and premium, if any, make-whole amount, if any, and interest on the debt securities, if any, shall be payable, where the holders may surrender debt securities for conversion, transfer, or exchange, and where notices or demands to or upon us may be served;
- any provisions relating to the issuance of the debt securities at an original issue discount;
- the price or prices at which, the period or periods within which, and the terms and conditions upon which we may redeem the debt securities, in whole or in part, pursuant to any sinking fund or otherwise (including the form or method of payment if other than in cash);
- our obligation, if any, to redeem, purchase, or repay the debt securities pursuant to any mandatory redemption, sinking fund, or analogous provisions, or at the option of a holder, the price at which, the period within which, and the terms and conditions upon which the debt securities shall be redeemed, purchased, or repaid, in whole or in part, pursuant to such obligation (including the form or method of payment thereof if other than in cash) and any provisions for the remarketing of the debt securities;
- if other than denominations of \$1,000 and any integral multiple thereof, the denominations in which the debt securities of the series shall be issuable;
- if other than the principal amount thereof, the portion of the principal amount of the debt securities that shall be payable upon declaration of acceleration of the maturity or provable in bankruptcy, or if applicable, the portion of the principal amount that is convertible or exchangeable in accordance with the provisions of the debt securities, the resolution of our board of directors, or any supplemental indenture pursuant to which such debt securities are issued;
- any events of default with respect to the debt securities, in lieu of or in addition to those set forth in the indentures, and the remedies therefor;
- our obligation, if any, to permit the conversion or exchange of the debt securities of such series into common shares or other capital stock or property, or combination thereof, and the terms and conditions upon which such conversion shall be effected (including the initial conversion or exchange price or rate, the conversion or exchange period, the provisions for conversion or exchange price or rate adjustments, and any other provision relative to such obligation) and any limitations on the ownership or transferability of the securities or property into which holders may convert or exchange the debt securities;



- any trustees, authenticating or paying agents, transfer agents or registrars, or any other agents with respect to the debt securities;
- the currency or currency units, including composite currencies, in which the debt securities shall be denominated if other than the currency of the United States of America;
- if other than the currency or currency units in which the debt securities are denominated, the currency or currency units in which payment of the principal of, premium, if any, make-whole amount, if any, or interest on the debt securities shall be payable (and the manner in which the equivalent of the principal amount thereof in the currency of the United States of America is to be determined for any purpose, including for the determination of the principal amount outstanding);
- if the principal of, premium, if any, make-whole amount, if any, or interest on the debt securities is to be payable, at our election or the election of a holder, in currency or currency units other than that in which the debt securities are denominated or stated, the period within which, and the terms and conditions upon which, such election may be made, the time and manner of such election, and identity of the exchange-rate agent with responsibility for determining the exchange rate between the currency or currency units in which the debt securities are denominated or stated to be payable and the currency or currency units in which the debt securities will be payable;
- if the amount of the payments of principal of, premium, if any, make-whole amount, if any, and interest on the debt securities may be determined with reference to an index, the manner in which the amount shall be determined from that index;
- whether and under what circumstances we will pay additional amounts on the debt securities held by foreign holders in respect of any tax, assessment, or governmental charge withheld or deducted and, if so, whether we will have the option to redeem the debt securities rather than pay such additional amounts;
- if receipt of certain certificates or other documents or satisfaction of other conditions will be necessary for any purpose, including as a condition to the issuance of the debt securities in definitive form (whether upon original issue or upon exchange of a temporary debt security), the form and terms of such certificates, documents, or conditions;
- any other affirmative or negative covenants with respect to the debt securities, including certain financial covenants;
- whether the debt securities shall be issued in whole or in part in the form of one or more global securities and the depositary for the global securities or debt securities, the circumstances under which any global security may be exchanged for debt securities registered in the name of any person other than the depositary or its nominee, and any other provisions regarding the global securities;
- whether the debt securities are defeasible; and
- any other terms of a particular series.





Unless otherwise indicated in the prospectus supplement relating to the debt securities, the principal amount of and any premium, make-whole amount, or interest on the debt securities will be payable, and the debt securities will be exchangeable and transfers thereof will be registrable, at the office of the trustee. However, at our option, payment of interest may be made by check mailed to the address of the person entitled thereto as it appears in the debt security register. Any payment of principal and any premium, make-whole amount, or interest required to be made on an interest payment date, redemption date, or at maturity that is not a business day need not be made on such date, but may be made on the next succeeding business day with the same force and effect as if made on the applicable date, and no interest shall accrue for the period from and after such date.

Unless otherwise indicated in the prospectus supplement relating to debt securities, the debt securities will be issued only in fully registered form, without coupons, in denominations of \$1,000 or any integral multiple thereof. No service charge will be made for any transfer or exchange of the debt securities, but we may require payment of a sum sufficient to cover any tax or other governmental charge payable in connection with a transfer or exchange.

Debt securities may bear interest at fixed or floating rates. We may issue our debt securities at an original issue discount, bearing no interest or bearing interest at a rate that at the time of issuance is below market rate, to be sold at a substantial discount below their stated principal amount. Generally speaking, if our debt securities are issued at an original issue discount and there is an event of default or acceleration of their maturity, holders will receive an amount less than their principal amount. Tax and other special considerations applicable to any series of debt securities, including original issue discount debt, will be described in the prospectus supplement in which we offer those debt securities. In addition, certain United States federal income tax or other considerations, if any, applicable to any debt securities that are denominated in a currency or currency unit other than United States dollars may be described in the applicable prospectus supplement.

#### Global Securities

The debt securities of a series may be issued in the form of one or more global securities that will be deposited with a depository or its nominees identified in the prospectus supplement relating to the debt securities. In such a case, one or more global securities will be issued in a denomination or aggregate denominations equal to the portion of the aggregate principal amount of outstanding debt securities of the series to be represented by such global security or securities.

Unless and until it is exchanged in whole or in part for debt securities in definitive registered form, a global security may not be registered for transfer or exchange except as a whole by the depository for such global security to a nominee of the depository and except in the circumstances described in the prospectus supplement relating to the debt securities. The specific terms of the depository arrangement with respect to a series of debt securities will be described in the prospectus supplement relating to such series.

#### Modification of the Indentures

We and the trustee may modify the indentures with respect to the debt securities of any series, with or without the consent of the holders of debt securities, under certain circumstances to be described in a prospectus supplement.

#### Defeasance; Satisfaction and Discharge

The prospectus supplement will outline the conditions under which we may elect to have certain of our obligations under the indentures discharged and under which the indenture obligations will be deemed to be satisfied.

#### Defaults and Notice

The debt securities of any series will contain events of default to be specified in the applicable prospectus supplement, including:

- failure to pay the principal of, or premium or make-whole amount, if any, on any debt security of such series when due and payable (whether at maturity, by call for redemption, through any mandatory sinking fund, by redemption at the option of the holder, by declaration or acceleration, or otherwise);
- failure to make a payment of any interest on any debt security of such series when due;
- our failure to perform or observe any other covenants or agreements in the indenture with respect to the debt securities of such series;
- certain events relating to our bankruptcy, insolvency, or reorganization; and
- certain cross defaults.

If an event of default with respect to debt securities of any series shall occur and be continuing, the trustee or the holders of at least 25% in aggregate principal amount of the then-outstanding debt securities of such series may declare the principal amount (or if the debt securities of such series are issued at an original issue discount, such portion of the principal amount as may be specified in the terms of the debt securities of such series) of all debt securities of such series or such other amount or amounts as the debt securities or supplemental indenture with respect to such series may provide, to be due and payable immediately.

The trustee under the indenture shall, within 90 days after the occurrence of a default, give to holders of debt securities of any series notice of all uncured defaults with respect to such series known to it. However, in the case of a default that results from the failure to make any payment of the principal of, premium or make-whole amount, if any, or interest on the debt securities of any series, or in the payment of any mandatory sinking fund installment with respect to debt securities of such series, the trustee may withhold such notice if it in good faith determines that the withholding of such notice is in the interest of the holders of debt securities of such series.

The indenture will contain a provision entitling the trustee to be indemnified by holders of debt securities before proceeding to exercise any trust or power under the indenture at the request of such holders. The indenture will provide that the holders of at least a majority in aggregate principal amount of the then-outstanding debt securities of any series may direct the time, method, and place of conducting any proceedings for any remedy available to the trustee or of exercising any trust or power conferred upon the trustee with respect to the debt securities of such series. However, the trustee may decline to follow any such direction if, among other reasons, the trustee determines in good faith that the actions or proceedings as directed may not lawfully be taken, would involve the trustee in personal liability, or would be unduly prejudicial to the holders of the debt securities of such series not joining in such direction.



The right of a holder to institute a proceeding with respect to the indenture is subject to certain conditions, including that the holders of at least a majority in aggregate principal amount of the debt securities of such series then outstanding make a written request upon the trustee to exercise its power under the indenture, indemnify the trustee, and afford the trustee reasonable opportunity to act. Even so, the holder has an absolute right to receive the principal of, premium or make-whole amount, if any, and interest when due, to require conversion or exchange of debt securities if the indenture provides for convertibility or exchangeability at the option of the holder, and to institute suit for the enforcement of such rights.

#### Conversion or Exchange Rights

If debt securities of any series are convertible or exchangeable, the applicable prospectus supplement will specify:

- the type of securities into which they may be converted or exchanged;
- the conversion price or exchange ratio, or its method of calculation;
- whether conversion or exchange is mandatory or at the holder's election;
- how and when the conversion price or exchange ratio may be adjusted; and
- any other important terms concerning the conversion or exchange rights.

#### Concerning the Trustee

We will provide the name of the trustee in any prospectus supplement related to the issuance of debt securities, and we will also provide certain other information related to the trustee, including describing any relationship we have with the trustee, in such prospectus supplement.

#### Governing Law

The indentures and the debt securities will be governed by the laws of the state of Utah.

#### MATERIAL FEDERAL INCOME TAX CONSEQUENCES

Information regarding material United States federal income tax consequences to persons investing in the securities offered by this prospectus will be set forth in an applicable prospectus supplement. Prospective purchasers of securities are urged to consult their own tax advisers prior to any acquisition of securities.

## PLAN OF DISTRIBUTION

We may sell the securities in one or more of the following ways from time to time:

- through underwriters or dealers for resale to the public or to institutional investors;
- directly to a limited number of institutional purchasers or to a single purchaser;
- through agents; or
- if indicated in the prospectus supplement, pursuant to delayed delivery contracts, by remarketing firms, or by other means.

Any dealer or agent, in addition to any underwriter, may be deemed to be an underwriter within the meaning of the Securities Act, and any discounts or commissions they receive from us and any profit on the resale of the offered securities by them may be treated as underwriting discounts and commissions under the Securities Act. The terms of the offering of the securities with respect to which this prospectus is being delivered will be set forth in the applicable prospectus supplement and will include:

- the name or names of any underwriters, dealers, or agents;
- the purchase price of such securities and the proceeds to us from such sale;
- any underwriting discounts, agency fees, and other items constituting underwriters' or agents' compensation;
- the public offering price;
- any discounts or concessions that may be allowed or reallocated or paid to dealers and any securities exchanges on which the securities may be listed; and
- the securities exchange on which the securities may be listed, if any.

If underwriters are used in the sale of securities, such securities will be acquired by the underwriters for their own account and may be resold from time to time in one or more transactions, including negotiated transactions, at a fixed public offering price or at varying prices determined at the time of sale. The securities may be offered to the public either through underwriting syndicates represented by managing underwriters or directly by one or more underwriters acting alone. Unless otherwise set forth in the applicable prospectus supplement, the obligations of the underwriters to purchase the securities described in the applicable prospectus supplement will be subject to certain conditions precedent, and the underwriters will be obligated to purchase all such securities if any are so purchased by them. Any public offering price and any discounts or concessions allowed or reallocated or paid to dealers may be changed from time to time.

The securities may be sold directly by us or through agents designated by us from time to time. Any agents involved in the offer or sale of the securities in respect of which this prospectus is being delivered, and any commissions payable by us to such agents, will be set forth in the applicable prospectus supplement. Unless otherwise indicated in the applicable prospectus supplement, any such agent will be acting on a best-efforts basis for the period of its appointment.



If dealers are used in the sale of any securities, we will sell the securities to the dealers as principals. Any dealer may resell the securities to the public at varying prices to be determined by the dealer at the time of resale. The name of any dealer and the terms of the transaction will be set forth in the prospectus supplement with respect to the securities being offered.

Securities may also be offered and sold, if so indicated in the applicable prospectus supplement, in connection with a remarketing upon their purchase in accordance with a redemption or repayment pursuant to their terms or otherwise by one or more firms, which we refer to herein as the “remarketing firms,” acting as principals for their own accounts or as our agents, as applicable. Any remarketing firm will be identified and the terms of its agreement, if any, with us and its compensation will be described in the applicable prospectus supplement.

Remarketing firms may be deemed to be underwriters, as that term is defined in the Securities Act, in connection with the securities remarketed thereby.

If so indicated in the applicable prospectus supplement, we will authorize agents, underwriters, or dealers to solicit offers by certain specified institutions to purchase the securities to which this prospectus and the applicable prospectus supplement relate from us at the public offering price set forth in the applicable prospectus supplement, plus, if applicable, accrued interest pursuant to delayed delivery contracts providing for payment and delivery on a specified date in the future. Such contracts will be subject only to those conditions set forth in the applicable prospectus supplement, and the applicable prospectus supplement will set forth the commission payable for solicitation of such contracts.

Underwriters will not be obligated to make a market in any securities. We can give no assurance regarding the activity of trading in, or liquidity of, any securities.

Agents, dealers, underwriters, and remarketing firms may be entitled under agreements entered into with us to indemnification by us, as applicable, against certain civil liabilities, including liabilities under the Securities Act, or to contribution to payments they may be required to make in respect thereof. Agents, dealers, underwriters, and remarketing firms may be customers of, engage in transactions with, or perform services for us in the ordinary course of business.

Each series of securities will be a new issue and other than the common stock, which is quoted on the NASDAQ Global Market, will have no established trading market. We may elect to list any series of securities on an exchange, and in the case of the common stock, on any additional exchange, but unless otherwise specified in the applicable prospectus supplement, we shall not be obligated to do so. Any underwriters to whom securities are sold for public offering and sale may make a market in the securities, but the underwriters will not be obligated to do so and may discontinue any market making at any time without notice. The securities may or may not be listed on a national securities exchange or a foreign securities exchange. No assurance can be given as to the liquidity of the trading market for any of the securities.

The place, time of delivery, and other terms of the offered securities will be described in the applicable prospectus supplement.

#### LEGAL MATTERS

Kruse Landa Maycock & Ricks, LLC, Salt Lake City, Utah, will pass upon the validity of any securities that we offer pursuant to this prospectus. If the securities are being distributed in an underwritten offering, certain legal matters will be passed upon for the underwriters by counsel identified in the applicable prospectus supplement.





## EXPERTS

The financial statements incorporated in this prospectus by reference from our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2011, have been audited by Jones Simkins, P.C., our independent registered public accounting firm, as stated in its report, which is incorporated herein by reference. Such financial statements have been so incorporated in reliance upon the report of such firm given upon its authority as an expert in accounting and auditing.

## INFORMATION INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE

The SEC allows us to “incorporate by reference” certain of our publicly filed documents into this prospectus, which means that information included in those documents is considered part of this prospectus.

Information that we file with the SEC after the date of this prospectus will automatically update and supersede this information. We incorporate by reference the documents listed below and any future filings made with the SEC under Sections 13(a), 13(c), 14, or 15(d) of the Exchange Act until the termination of the offering of the securities covered by this prospectus.

The following documents filed with the SEC are incorporated by reference in this prospectus (other than, in each case, documents or information therein deemed to have been furnished and not filed in accordance with SEC rules):

- our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2011;
- our Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended March 31, 2012; and
- our Current Reports on Form 8-K filed on January 31, April 25, and May 8, 2012.

We will provide without charge to any person to whom this prospectus is delivered, on the written or oral request of such person, a copy of any or all of the foregoing documents incorporated by reference, excluding exhibits, unless we have specifically incorporated an exhibit in the incorporated document. Written requests should be directed to: Utah Medical Products, Inc., 7043 South 300 West, Midvale, Utah 84047, telephone number (801) 566-1200.

Each document or report subsequently filed by us pursuant to Section 13(a), 13(c), 14, or 15(d) of the Exchange Act after the date hereof and prior to the termination of the offering of the securities shall be deemed to be incorporated by reference into this prospectus and to be a part of this prospectus from the date of filing of such document, unless otherwise provided in the relevant document. Any statement contained herein, or in a document all or a portion of which is incorporated or deemed to be incorporated by reference herein, shall be deemed to be modified or superseded for purposes of the registration statement and this prospectus to the extent that a statement contained herein, or in any other subsequently filed document that also is or is deemed to be incorporated by reference herein, modifies or supersedes such statement. Any such statement so modified or superseded shall not be deemed, except as so modified or superseded, to constitute a part of the registration statement or this prospectus.

The information relating to Utah Medical Products, Inc., contained in this prospectus and the accompanying prospectus supplement is not comprehensive, and you should read it together with the information contained in the incorporated documents.



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PROSPECTUS

Investors should rely on the information contained in this prospectus. We have not authorized anyone to provide different information. This prospectus does not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy any securities covered by this prospectus in any state or other jurisdiction to any person to whom it is unlawful to make such offer or solicitation in such state or jurisdiction.

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## PART II

## INFORMATION NOT REQUIRED IN PROSPECTUS

## Item 14. Other Expenses of Issuance and Distribution.

We will pay all expenses incident to the offering and sale to the public of the securities being registered other than any commissions and discounts of underwriters, dealers, or agents and any transfer taxes. Such expenses are set forth in the following table:

Securities and Exchange Commission filing fee*	\$229
Printing expenses	--
Counsel fees and expenses	20,000
Accounting fees and expenses	1,500
Stock exchange listing fees	--
Fees of trustee, registrar and transfer agent	--
Miscellaneous expenses	1,500
Total	\$23,229

\*Actual expenses; all other expenses are estimates.

## Item 15. Indemnification of Directors and Officers.

Article V of our articles of incorporation provides that, to the fullest extent permitted by the Utah Revised Business Corporation Act or any other applicable law as now in effect or as it may hereafter be amended, a director of the Corporation shall have no personal liability to the Corporation or its shareholders for monetary damages for any action taken or any failure to take any action as a director.

Section 16-10a-902 of the Utah Revised Business Corporation Act provides that a corporation may indemnify a director if: (a) his conduct was in good faith; (b) he reasonably believed that his conduct was in, or not opposed to, the corporation's best interests; and (c) in the case of any criminal proceeding, he had no reasonable cause to believe his conduct was unlawful as long as the director is not adjudged liable to the corporation or the director is adjudged liable on the basis that he derived an improper personal benefit.

Section 16-10a-907 of the Utah Revised Business Corporation Act further provides that a corporation may: (a) indemnify and advance expenses to an officer, employee, fiduciary, or agent of the corporation to the same extent as to a director; and (b) also indemnify and advance expenses to an officer, employee, fiduciary, or agent who is not a director to a greater extent, if not inconsistent with public policy, and if provided for by its articles of incorporation, bylaws, general or specific action of its board of directors, or contract.

Section 5.1 of our bylaws provides that we shall indemnify any individual made a party to a proceeding because such individual was a director of the corporation to the extent permitted by and in accordance with Section 16-10a-901, et seq. of the Utah Revised Business Corporation Act or any amendments or successor sections of like tenor. Further, to the extent permitted by Section 16-10a-904 of the Utah Revised Business Corporation Act or any section of like tenor as amended from time to time, we may pay for or reimburse the reasonable expenses incurred by a director who is a party to a proceeding in advance of final disposition of the proceeding, if: (a) the director furnishes the corporation a written affirmation of his good faith belief that he has met the standard of conduct described in the Utah Revised Business Corporation Act; (b) the director furnishes the corporation a written undertaking, executed personally or on his behalf, to repay advances if it is ultimately determined that he did not meet the standard of conduct (which undertaking must be an unlimited general obligation of the director but need not be secured and may be accepted

without reference to financial ability to make repayment); and (c) a determination is made that the facts then known to those making the determination would not preclude indemnification under Utah law.

Finally, our bylaws state that unless otherwise provided in the articles of incorporation, the board of directors may authorize the corporation to indemnify and advance expenses to any officer, employee, or agent of the corporation who is not a director of the corporation, to the extent permitted by the Utah Revised Business Corporation Act.

Insofar as indemnification for liabilities arising under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, may be permitted to directors, officers, and controlling persons of the registrant pursuant to the foregoing provisions or otherwise, we have been advised that in the opinion of the Securities and Exchange Commission such indemnification is against public policy as expressed in the Securities Act and is, therefore, unenforceable. (See "Item 17. Undertakings," page II-4.)

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## Item 16. Exhibits

The following documents are included as exhibits to this Registration Statement, pursuant to Item 601 of Regulation S-K:

Exhibit Number*	Title of Document	Location
Item 1.	Underwriting Agreement	
1.01	Form of Underwriting Agreement	To be filed, if applicable, subsequent to the effectiveness of this registration statement by an amendment to the registration statement or incorporated by reference pursuant to a current report on Form 8-K in connection with the offering of securities.
Item 4.	Instruments Defining the Rights of Holders, Including Indentures	
4.01	Specimen stock certificate	Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.04 to the Registrant's Form S-8 filed August 30, 2005, Reg. No. 333-127946.
4.02	Amendment to Articles of Incorporation Designating Rights, Privileges, and Preferences of Series "A" Preferred Stock	This filing.
4.03	Form of Indenture for Senior Debt Securities	This filing.
4.04	Form of Indenture for Subordinated Debt Securities	This filing.
4.05	Form of Supplemental Indenture or other instrument establishing the issuance of one or more series of debt securities (including form of debt security)	To be filed, if applicable, subsequent to the effectiveness of this registration statement by an amendment to the registration statement or incorporated by reference pursuant to a current report on Form 8-K in connection with the offering of securities.
4.06	Form of Certificate of Designation of one or more series of Preferred Stock	To be filed, if applicable, subsequent to the effectiveness of this registration statement by an amendment to the registration statement or incorporated by reference pursuant to a current

		report on Form 8-K in connection with the offering of securities.
4.07	Form of Warrant	To be filed, if applicable, subsequent to the effectiveness of this registration statement by an amendment to the registration statement or incorporated by reference pursuant to a current report on Form 8-K in connection with the offering of securities.
Item 5.	Opinion re: Legality	
5.01	Opinion of Kruse Landa Maycock & Ricks, LLC	Form of opinion in this filing; signed opinion to be filed, if applicable, subsequent to the effectiveness of this registration statement by an amendment to the registration statement or incorporated by reference pursuant to a current report on Form 8-K in connection with the offering of securities.
Item 12.	Statements re: Computation of Ratios	
12.01	Computation of ratio of earnings to fixed charges	This filing.
Item 23.	Consents of Experts and Counsel	
23.01	Consent of Jones Simkins, P.C., Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm	This filing.
23.03	Consent of Kruse Landa Maycock & Ricks, LLC (contained in the opinion, filed as Exhibit 5.01)	To be included in the executed opinion to be filed, if applicable, subsequent to the effectiveness of this registration statement by an amendment to the registration statement or incorporated by reference pursuant to a current report on Form 8-K in connection with the offering of securities.
Item 24.	Power of Attorney	
24.01	Power of Attorney (included on the signature page)	This filing.
Item 25.	Statement of Eligibility of Trustee	
25.01	Form T-1 Statement of Eligibility under the Trust Indenture Act of 1939, as amended, of Trustee under the Indenture	To be filed pursuant to Section 305(b)(2) of the Trust Indenture Act of 1939.

\*The number preceding the decimal indicates the applicable SEC reference number in Item 601, and the number following the decimal indicating the sequence of the particular document.

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Item 17. Undertakings.

(a) The undersigned Registrant hereby undertakes:

(1) To file, during any period in which offers or sales are being made, a post-effective amendment to this Registration Statement:

(i) to include any prospectus required by Section 10(a)(3) of the Securities Act;

(ii) to reflect in the prospectus any facts or events arising after the effective date of the Registration Statement (or the most recent post-effective amendment thereof) which, individually or in the aggregate, represent a fundamental change in the information set forth in the registration statement. Notwithstanding the foregoing, any increase or decrease in volume of securities offered (if the total dollar value of securities offered would not exceed that which was registered) and any deviation from the low or high end of the estimated maximum offering range may be reflected in the form of prospectus filed with the SEC pursuant to Rule 424(b) if, in the aggregate, the changes in volume and price represent no more than 20% change in the maximum aggregate offering price set forth in the "Calculation of Registration Fee" table in the effective registration statement; and

(iii) to include any material information with respect to the plan of distribution not previously disclosed in the Registration Statement or any material change to such information in the Registration Statement.

Provided, however, that:

(A) Paragraphs (a)(1)(i) and (a)(1)(ii) do not apply if the Registration Statement is on Form S-3, and the information required to be included in a post-effective amendment by those paragraphs is contained in periodic reports filed by the Registrant pursuant to Section 13 or Section 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 that are incorporated by reference in this Registration Statement; and

(B) Paragraphs (a)(1)(i), (a)(1)(ii) and (a)(1)(iii) of this section do not apply if the registration statement is on Form S-3 or F-3 and the information required to be included in a post-effective amendment by those paragraphs is contained in reports filed with or furnished to the Commission by the registrant pursuant to section 13 or section 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 that are incorporated by reference in the registration statement, or is contained in a form of prospectus filed pursuant to Rule 424(b) that is part of the registration statement.

- (2) That, for the purpose of determining any liability under the Securities Act, each such post-effective amendment shall be deemed to be a new registration statement relating to the securities offered therein, and the offering of such securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial bona fide offering thereof.
- (3) To remove from registration by means of a post-effective amendment any of the securities being registered which remain unsold at the termination of the offering.
- (4) That, for the purpose of determining liability under the Securities Act to any purchaser:
- (i) Each prospectus filed by the registrant pursuant to Rule 424(b)(3) shall be deemed to be part of the registration statement as of the date the filed prospectus was deemed part of and included in the registration statement; and
- (ii) Each prospectus required to be filed pursuant to Rule 424(b)(2), (b)(5), or (b)(7) as part of a registration statement in reliance on Rule 430B relating to an offering made pursuant to Rule 415(a)(1)(i), (vii), or (x) for the purpose of providing the information required by Section 10(a) of the Securities Act shall be deemed to be part of and included in the registration statement as of the earlier of the date such form of prospectus is first used after effectiveness or the date of the first contract of sale of securities in the offering described in the prospectus. As provided in Rule 430B, for liability purposes of the issuer and any person that is at that date an underwriter, such date shall be deemed to be a new effective date of the registration statement relating to the securities in the registration statement to which that prospectus relates, and the offering of such securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial bona fide offering thereof. Provided, however, that no statement made in a registration statement or prospectus that is part of the registration statement or made in a document incorporated or deemed incorporated by reference into the registration statement or prospectus that is part of the registration statement will, as to a purchaser with a time of contract of sale prior to such effective date, supersede or modify any statement that was made in the registration statement or prospectus that was part of the registration statement or made in any such document immediately prior to such effective date.

- (5) That, for the purpose of determining liability of the registrant under the Securities Act to any purchaser in the initial distribution of the securities, the undersigned registrant undertakes that in a primary offering of securities of the undersigned registrant pursuant to this registration statement, regardless of the underwriting method used to sell the securities to the purchaser, if the securities are offered or sold to such purchaser by means of any of the following communications, the undersigned registrant will be a seller to the purchaser and will be considered to offer or sell such securities to such purchaser:
- (i) Any preliminary prospectus or prospectus of the undersigned registrant relating to the offering required to be filed pursuant to Rule 424;
  - (ii) Any free writing prospectus relating to the offering prepared by or on behalf of the undersigned registrant or used or referred to by the undersigned registrant;
  - (iii) The portion of any other free writing prospectus relating to the offering containing material information about the undersigned registrant or its securities provided by or on behalf of the undersigned registrant; and
  - (iv) Any other communication that is an offer in the offering made by the undersigned registrant to the purchaser.
- (b) The undersigned Registrant hereby undertakes that, for purposes of determining any liability under the Securities Act, each filing of the Registrant's annual report pursuant to Section 13(a) or Section 15(d) of the Exchange Act (and, where applicable, each filing of an employee benefit plan's annual report pursuant to Section 15(d) of the Exchange Act) that is incorporated by reference in the registration statement shall be deemed to be a new registration statement relating to the securities offered therein, and the offering of such securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial bona fide offering thereof.
- (c) Insofar as indemnification for liabilities arising under the Securities Act may be permitted to directors, officers and controlling persons of the Registrant pursuant to the foregoing provisions, or otherwise, the Registrant has been advised that in the opinion of the SEC such indemnification is against public policy as expressed in the Securities Act and is, therefore, unenforceable. In the event that a claim for indemnification against such liabilities (other than the payment by the Registrant of expenses incurred or paid by a director, officer or controlling person of the Registrant in the successful defense of any action, suit or proceeding) is asserted by such director, officer or controlling person in connection with the securities being registered, the Registrant will, unless in the opinion of its counsel the matter has been settled by controlling precedent, submit to a court of appropriate jurisdiction the question whether such indemnification by it is against public policy as expressed in the Securities Act and will be governed by the final adjudication of such issue.
- (d) The undersigned registrant hereby undertakes that:
- (1) For purposes of determining any liability under the Securities Act, the information omitted from the form prospectus filed as part of this registration statement in reliance upon Rule 430A and contained in a form of prospectus filed by the registrant pursuant to Rule 424(b)(1) or (4) or 497(h) under the Securities Act shall be deemed to be part of this registration statement as of the time it was declared effective.
  - (2) For purposes of determining any liability under the Securities Act, each post-effective amendment that contains a form of prospectus shall be deemed to be a new registration statement relating to the securities offered therein, and the offering of such securities as that time shall be deemed to be the initial bona fide offering thereof.



SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, the registrant certifies that it has reasonable grounds to believe that it meets all of the requirements for filing on Form S-3 and has duly caused this registration statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in the Salt Lake City, state of Utah, on June 12, 2012.

UTAH MEDICAL PRODUCTS, INC.

Date: June 12, 2012

By: /s/ Kevin L. Cornwell  
Kevin L. Cornwell  
Chief Executive Officer

Date: June 12, 2012

By: /s/ Paul O. Richins  
Paul O. Richins  
Principal Financial Officer

## POWER OF ATTORNEY

KNOW ALL PERSONS BY THESE PRESENTS, that each person whose signature appears below, other than Kevin L. Cornwell, constitutes and appoints Kevin L. Cornwell, his true and lawful attorney-in-fact and agent, with full power of substitution and resubstitution, for him and in his name, place and stead, in any and all capacities, to sign any and all amendments (including post-effective amendments) to this registration statement on Form S-3, and to file the same, with all exhibits thereto, and other documents in connection therewith, with the SEC, granting unto said attorney-in-fact and agent, full power and authority to do and perform each and every act and thing requisite and necessary to be done in connection therewith, as fully to all intents and purposes as he might or could do in person, hereby ratifying and confirming all that said attorney-in-fact and agent, or his substitutes or substitute, may lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue hereof.

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, this registration statement has been signed below by the following persons in the capacities indicated on June 12, 2012:

Signature	Title
<i>/s/ James H. Beeson</i> James H. Beeson	Director
<i>/s/ Kevin L. Cornwell</i> Kevin L. Cornwell	Director
<i>/s/ Ernst G. Hoyer</i> Ernst G. Hoyer	Director
<i>/s/ Barbara A. Payne</i> Barbara A. Payne	Director
<i>/s/ Paul O. Richins</i> Paul O. Richins	Director