

**INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>Starling William N JR</u>  (Last) (First) (Middle) <u>3284 ALPINE ROAD</u>  (Street) <u>PORTOLA VALLEY CA 94028</u>  (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year) <u>09/03/2013</u>	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>SafeStitch Medical, Inc. [ SFES.OB ]</u>	
		4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director <input type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify below)	5. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)  6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned**

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
Common Stock	611,249	I	By W. Starling, Jr., and D. Starling, Trustees of the Starling Family Trust, UDT August 15, 1990
Common Stock	23,066	I	By Mark Starling, Trustee of the William N. Starling, Jr. and Dana Gregory Starling 1990 Irrevocable
Common Stock	1,960,610	I	By Synecor, L.L.C. <sup>(1)</sup>
Common Stock	16,825,253	I	By Synergy Life Science Partners, L.P. <sup>(2)</sup>

**Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)**

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	5. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date				
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	(3)	04/12/2022	Common Stock	172,995	0.07	D

**Explanation of Responses:**

- The Reporting Person is a managing member of Synecor, L.L.C. ("Synecor"). The Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership of the shares held by Synecor except to the extent of his proportionate pecuniary interest therein.
- The Reporting Person is a Manager of Synergy Venture Partners, LLC which serves as the sole General Partner of Synergy Life Science Partners, LP ("Synergy"). As such, the Reporting Person shares voting and investment control over the securities owned by Synergy, and may be deemed to own beneficially the securities held by Synergy. The Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership of the shares held by Synergy except to the extent of this proportionate pecuniary interest therein.
- This option vests and the shares become exercisable according to the following schedule: 1/48 per month beginning on April 12, 2012.

**Remarks:**

/s/ William N. Starling, Jr.      09/03/2013

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person      Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

\* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5 (b)(v).

\*\* Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

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