

Saebo, Inc. Launches Newest Device for Stroke Patients

SaeboReach[®] first device to effectively address hand and arm recovery following stroke

Charlotte, NC - Saebo, Inc., a leading global provider of innovative Stroke Rehabilitation Products, announces its newest upper extremity functional orthosis, the **SaeboReach**.

Building on the patented technology of the revolutionary **SaeboFlex[®]**, the **SaeboReach** incorporates the elbow in therapy, allowing users to improve function of their entire arm. Like the **SaeboFlex**, the **SaeboReach** is a custom-fabricated orthosis, which allows patients to engage in functional activities involving their entire upper extremity (fingers, hands, wrists and elbows). Patients with limited or no use of their hand and upper arm as a result of stroke have realized impressive functional improvements after engaging in therapy using the **SaeboReach**. The device has also shown positive results in patients who have been post-stroke for more than 20 years.

According to Henry Hoffman, OT, and president of Saebo, there was a need for an orthosis to not only address the involved hand and fingers but also the upper arm. "The **SaeboFlex** has been tremendously successful in helping people improve the use of their wrists, hands and fingers after a stroke, but now, we can help even more stroke survivors improve the function of their entire upper extremity," states Hoffman. "Prior to the **SaeboReach**, no custom-fabricated orthosis addressed the neurological patients' upper extremity weakness and abnormal tone. As a result, therapists had few options to incorporate the stroke survivor's elbow, along with the wrist, hand and fingers in functional grasp-and-release activities."

With the **SaeboReach**, therapists now have new treatment strategies that will provide real hope for their patients suffering from stroke and other brain injuries. The launch of the **SaeboReach** furthers Saebo's strategy of being a leader in innovative, cost-effective stroke rehabilitation products. By continuing to expand its neuro-rehab product line, the company continues to support its commitment to providing affordable, 'real-world' solutions for patients who have suffered a stroke or other brain injury.

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About Saebo, Inc.

Saebo, Inc., is a leading global provider of innovative rehabilitation products for stroke survivors and other neurologically impaired individuals. Headquartered in Charlotte, NC, the company was founded in 2001 by two occupational therapists specializing in stroke rehabilitation. As the leading cause of long-term disability in the U.S., stroke affects over 700,000 Americans every year, leaving many with crippling side effects including the loss of hand function. Saebo's pioneering treatment protocols are based on new research documenting the brain's remarkable ability to "re-program" itself following injury. The company's neurological orthotic devices, including the ground-breaking *SaeboFlex*, allow patients with very little residual hand function to immediately begin grasping and releasing objects in high repetition exercises, thereby forging new pathways in the brain. Named *Most Valuable Product* in 2008 by *Therapy Times*, the *SaeboFlex* is now offered as a treatment option at over 1,500 clinics and hospitals nationwide, including 22 of the "Top 25 Rehabilitation Hospitals" as ranked by *U.S. News & World Report*. The *SaeboFlex* and SaeboReach are eligible for reimbursement by Medicare and all Saebo products are eligible for reimbursement by most commercial insurers. With a network of over 3,400 trained clinicians spanning four continents, Saebo is committed to helping stroke survivors around the globe achieve a new level of independence. For more information, visit www.saebo.com.

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