

## **Clarifying Statement Regarding Competitive Electrodes**

DJO wishes to clarify certain statements made previously about the use of Alternative Electrodes' (AE) replacement electrodes with the VitalStim® device. While DJO does not recommend or approve the use of AE electrodes with the VitalStim® device, DJO has not conducted formal testing establishing that AE products are unsafe for such use. At this time, DJO is not aware of any adverse events resulting from the use of AE electrodes with the VitalStim® device in the field. DJO is not aware that there is any legal prohibition on clinicians, therapists and administrators of VitalStim® Therapy using AE electrodes with their device, or that the use of AE electrodes with the device would lead to the loss of such persons' medical licenses. Clinicians, therapists and other administrators of VitalStim® Therapy must use their professional judgment in treating patients with dysphagia.