



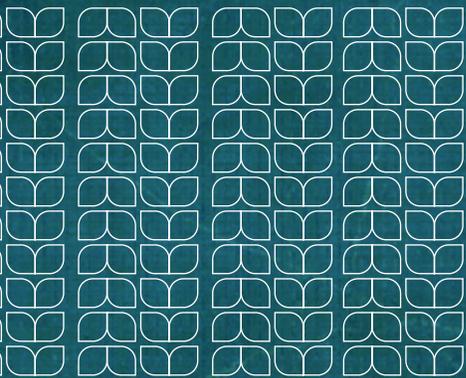
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VITAL STIM[®]

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The VitalStim® Therapy System is a safe and effective treatment for patients suffering with difficulty swallowing or dysphagia.

VitalStim® is a standardized form of therapy that a speech pathologist must be certified to use. **Each Marquis + Consonus therapist has completed the VitalStim® training and certification.**

The VitalStim® Therapy System is a non-invasive, external electrical stimulation therapy cleared to market by the Food and Drug Administration for the treatment of dysphagia with application on the anterior neck.

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Used as an adjunct to traditional swallowing therapy, VitalStim® has been found to:

- Be safe and effective for patients
- Accelerate the recovery time from a restricted diet
- Help patients achieve sustained improvement and long term results

VitalStim® works best when it is used across the continuum, in the post acute setting and through home health care, because it takes more time than a single step provides. But when working in collaboration, with close communication, treatment can be seamless and successful across the continuum.

Our team of therapists have found great success with VitalStim®, touching the lives of our patients and their families.

VOICE OF EXPERIENCE

ALISON'S *Story*

Rodney came to Marquis Hope Village following a severe stroke. He had spent several days in the hospital recovering from his stroke and having a feeding tube placed. When he arrived at the facility he was not eating anything by mouth and was unable to safely swallow. Rodney wanted to return home independently and knew to do that he needed to regain his ability to swallow and eat normal foods. The speech and language therapist at Hope Village, Alison Fiamengo, used the VitalStim® technology religiously on Rodney throughout his stay at Hope Village. Rodney was then discharged to the Marquis Hope Village Assisted Living facility and eventually to his own home through Marquis at Home. When he was discharged home, he had successfully graduated to a dental soft texture—finally able to eat his favorite food again...a hamburger!

With the VitalStim® technology, Alison was able to get faster, quicker, and better results in advancing his swallow and getting him back to his goal of being independent at his home.

Rodney continues to live at home in the Canby community.

“This is an outcome-based tool, when you see results; you ask yourself, ‘why wouldn’t I use it?’

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