

## **Saebo Launches New Product to Help Stroke Survivors**

*December 19, 2006 - Charlotte, NC* - Saebo, Inc., a leading provider of innovative Stroke Rehabilitation Products, announced today that its latest break-through product, the SaeboStretch™, is now available for national distribution. The SaeboStretch™ incorporates a dynamic, flexible hand piece into a lightweight and stylish resting hand splint, which helps prevent joint damage and soft tissue contractures through an innovative and comfortable padding and strapping system.

“For years in our therapy practice, over and over again we saw patients whose hands were adversely affected by traditional, static splints. The hard, rigid material often immobilized the hand in an unnatural position, at times actually causing damage to the patient’s wrist and finger joints,” said Henry Hoffman, Occupational Therapist (OT) and President of Saebo. John Farrell, OT and Vice President of Research and Development continued, “We believe that by incorporating a dynamic, flexible hand piece, we can help position the patient’s hand appropriately, reduce soft tissue shortening and prevent joint damage. In addition, because it is so comfortable, patients can wear the SaeboStretch™ for longer periods of time, thereby improving their rehabilitation and recovery.”

“As therapists, Henry and John truly understand the problems and opportunities in the current stroke rehab market,” added Todd Wiebusch, Saebo’s CEO. “In addition, Saebo’s network of over 1,800 Saebo-trained therapists throughout the United States, gives us a tremendous source of new ideas and the ability to continue developing cutting edge technology. As always, our primary goal is to offer affordable therapies that will improve the lives of stroke survivors around the country.”

“It really is the most comfortable hand splint I’ve ever worn,” says John Whitfield, who suffered a stroke 2 years ago. “Had the SaeboStretch™ been available when I had my stroke, I think I might have more function and use of my hand today.”

The SaeboStretch™ is available for purchase through any of the 1800 occupational and physical therapists currently trained in the use of Saebo products. The SaeboStretch™ is also available for purchase through licensed therapists, clinics and hospitals. Medicare and most private insurance carriers currently reimburse the SaeboStretch™. To learn more about the SaeboStretch™ or find a Saebo Trained therapist near you, visit [www.saebo.com](http://www.saebo.com) or call 888-284-5433.