

New Stryker Device Offers Hospitals Environmental and Bottom-line Benefits

Strykers Sustainability Solutions division, a leader in [medical device reprocessing](#) [1], today introduced Restep®, the companys pioneering deep vein thrombosis (DVT) solution. Restep addresses a critical need in the market for comprehensive device solutions that deliver fiscal and environmental value to hospitals by integrating original manufactured and reprocessed medical devices. Its introduction signifies the growing role suppliers play in offering quality care solutions that address the needs of clinicians, hospitals and patients while benefiting the environment.

"Restep marks the first time we can tangibly demonstrate what the integration of reprocessing into the OEM business model means for the industry. By creating a medical device solution that integrates original manufactured and reprocessed devices, we have introduced a new precedent in how technology suppliers can offer value to hospitals," said Lars Thording, Stryker Sustainability Solutions senior director of marketing and public affairs. "Value lies in true sustainability – environmental and financial sustainability. With Restep, hospitals will be able to opt for less environmentally impactful products without sacrificing quality or financial prudence."

"To our hospital, Restep will bring better value all around. We expect patients to be more comfortable and our supply chain managers will not only see the convenience and efficiency, but also reduced environmental impact," said Tony Benedict, Abrazo Healthcares vice president of supply chain. "The launch of Restep not only elevates Stryker Sustainability Solutions role as a key supplier to our hospital, but sets the bar for other suppliers, as well."

Restep provides hospitals that reprocess with a single-source opportunity for DVT compression sleeves and allows hospitals an opportunity to lower costs by minimizing their number of suppliers.

Additional product information:

- Features:
 - Proven IPC (Intermittent Pneumatic Compression) technology
 - Pump designed to be smaller, more lightweight, and portable with a mute button
 - Sleeves designed for breathability and comfort
- Environmental benefits:
 - Elimination of harmful PVC from sleeves
 - Latex-free
 - Reprocessable up to four times
- Bottom-line benefits:

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- Low equipment cost
- Streamlined supply process
- Flexible purchase terms
- Green discount that increases as used sleeve remittance increases

About Stryker

Stryker is one of the worlds leading medical technology companies and is dedicated to helping healthcare professionals perform their jobs more efficiently while enhancing patient care. The Company offers a diverse array of innovative medical technologies, including reconstructive, medical and surgical, and neurotechnology and spine products to help people lead more active and more satisfying lives. For more information about Stryker, please visit www.stryker.com [2].

Strykers Sustainability Solutions division is the leading provider of reprocessing and remanufacturing services for medical devices as well as comprehensive recycling and redistribution initiatives. For more information about Strykers commitment to the smart, efficient delivery of healthcare, visit sustainability.stryker.com [1] or www.protectoursavings.com [3].

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