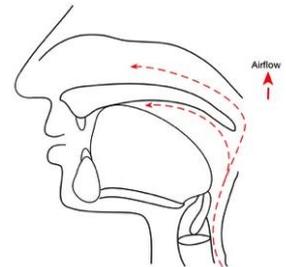




Background for patient survey

People with conditions like cleft palate, neurological disease, stroke and brain injury can have hypernasal speech. This is where there is an imbalance of too much air escaping through the nose while talking caused by incomplete closure of the soft palate against the back of the throat. This makes the voice sound weaker with an increased nasal quality that can make it difficult for others to hear clearly.



Converse Healthcare Ltd has developed **ClaraTalk™** a new daily disposable, soft silicone nasal obturator device to help treat hypernasality.



The ClaraTalk device has an ergonomic design with two nose cups joined by a silicone bridge. The occlusion is achieved by a one way valve mechanism that allows breathing in through the nose but stops nasal escape of air when speaking. It is designed to be used on a daily basis to provide ongoing regulation of nasal speech. Once placed in the nostrils this discreet device can help to increase the strength and clarity of speech - allowing for easier and more confident verbal communication.

We are conducting research with the NHS to learn more about all possible users of the device. We need, and welcome, your feedback to guide us in bringing this important product to those who can benefit from it. You can help by completing this short anonymous survey which takes just a few minutes. Thank you.

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