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SIGVARIS Announces Must-Have Wardrobe Addition for Moms-to-Be that Helps Prevent Varicose Veins & Keeps Legs Healthy

SIGVARIS Medical Soft Opaque Maternity Pantyhose were designed to improve circulation during pregnancy and to help prevent varicose and spider veins for expecting mothers.

PEACHTREE CITY, GA (July 23, 2012) – SIGVARIS, the global leader in medical compression hosiery and DVT prevention advocate, is excited to announce that the SIGVARIS Medical Soft Opaque Line now features maternity pantyhose (20-30mmHg), an important wardrobe addition for moms-to-be.

Wearing graduated compression during pregnancy has several health benefits including the prevention of varicose and spider veins, a condition 30 percent of women are confronted with during their first pregnancy, according to a study by Swiss Medical Weekly. Graduated compression also improves circulation, which can help boost energy levels.

Other important benefits include reducing swelling in legs and feet and preventing a Deep Vein Thrombosis (DVT) during pregnancy and for six weeks after delivery because a pregnant woman is five to six times more likely to develop a DVT than a non-pregnant woman. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention recommends wearing graduated compression socks as a preventative measure against DVT.

“Many women avoid wearing compression stockings during pregnancy despite the health benefits because they have heard they are unfashionable,” says Judith Brannan, medical affairs and education manager for SIGVARIS in the United States. “However, SIGVARIS, a global leader in graduated compression stockings, creates stylish lines that look like designer legwear. SIGVARIS Medical Soft Opaque gives expecting mothers the best of both worlds – products that not only look good, but also, work to keep legs healthy.”

SIGVARIS Medical Soft Opaque Maternity Pantyhose are available in 20-30mmHg and feature lasting microfiber softness and a comfortable belly band that comfortably expands to fit as the baby grows. The SIGVARIS Medical Soft Opaque Line also features calf-length and thigh-high products. SIGVARIS Medical Soft Opaque Maternity Pantyhose are available in black, while the calf-length and thigh-high styles are available in black, espresso, graphite, midnight blue and nude.

SIGVARIS Medical Soft Opaque has been popular among women who have been prescribed medical compression and also care about wearing a product that looks stylish. Soft Opaque provides excellent breathability and moisture management, making it the perfect product to wear year-round. To learn more about leg health during pregnancy and to view SIGVARIS products visit: www.sigvarisus.com.

About SIGVARIS

SIGVARIS® North America is part of an internationally active medical device group headquartered in Winterthur, Switzerland that focuses on the development, production and distribution of medical compression garments, including hosiery and socks. With distribution in more than 50 countries on six continents, SIGVARIS is recognized as a global industry leader in the area of compression therapy for the management of chronic venous disorders. Our US manufacturing plant is located in Peachtree City, GA. For more information, please visit www.sigvarisus.com or <http://www.facebook.com/SigvarisUSA>. *SIGVARIS, LIFE FOR LEGS and the leg icon are trademarks of SIGVARIS AG in Switzerland and are registered in many countries worldwide.*

