## UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT DISTRICT OF MINNESOTA

## In re: STRYKER REJUVENATE AND ABG II HIP IMPLANT PRODUCTS LIABILITY LITIGATION

MDL No. 13-2441 (DWF/FLN)

This Document Relates to All Actions

## EXHIBIT 1 MEMORANDUM TO PHYSICIANS

Defendants in this litigation are permitted to communicate with and to retain, as consulting or testifying experts, physicians who may have treated one or more patients who are plaintiffs in cases consolidated in this litigation. Despite their service as experts, these physicians are still bound by the physician-patient privilege and are forbidden from communicating with defendants, defendants' employees and defendants' attorneys about their patients who are plaintiffs, absent another order from the Court. Defendants and their agents must identify which of a physician's patients are plaintiffs before any substantive communications begin. If a physician, at any time, believes that a defendant is attempting to communicate about a patient who is a plaintiff, directly or indirectly, the physician should contact the patient or his or her attorney.

Dated: May 6, 2014

<u>s/Donovan W. Frank</u> DONOVAN W. FRANK United States District Judge

I have read, understand and agree to be bound by the terms of this memorandum to physicians.

Signature

Printed Name