

Case #651

Ventalect – Quick and Easy Communication Tool for Ventilated ICU Patients

Ventilator patients often experience difficulties with communication due to intubation, and is cumbersome, and not nuanced enough to allow adequate patient participation in detailed decision making. Using current technology 50% of ICU patients need communication assistance from a family member or caregiver, which results in anxiety, frustration, and panic, and is especially true for patients with sedation and muscle weakness.

- Can be used immediately on waking up from sedation
- Needs minimal instruction to use, creates accurate and timely communication