

# **Informed Consent for Remote Monitoring**

 Patient Name:
 Dob:
 Date:

You have signed up for Remote Monitoring, or a "home monitoring" device. This home monitor will be assigned to your specific device and was either given to you the day after your implant, will be shipped to your home address on behalf of Dr Ekeruo or will be given to you at your wound check after device implant.

If the monitor is mailed to you, there will be a toll-free number to call for technical set-up support. The device company tech support will walk you through setting up your monitor. You will be asked to send in an initial transmission of device data to establish your account. Our device nurses can access your transmission through a secure, password protected web server. Once the monitor is set up and the initial transmission is sent, please call us after 15 minutes to assure we received the transmission.

If your monitor was set up in the hospital or in the clinic, there is no further set up needed from you, and all you will have to do is plug in the monitor.

- An Annual Office Visit is required if we are following your monitor in remote clinic. If you have an ICD or Pacemaker, you are required to see a physician in the office at least once a year.
- If you are experiencing any problems that feel related to your heart, an arrhythmia, or your device, we encourage you to send a transmission and call the office. If data is sent via remote monitoring and there are clinical issues that need to be addressed, we will call you to review and will schedule an appointment immediately if appropriate.

## **Reviewing your Device Data**

- Your device data will be sent to a secure central server where our clinic staff can view it, using a password protected website on the internet.
- Our office reviews device data every business day.
- Our office will not see data sent on Saturday or Sunday until Monday morning.
- You should not use the monitor to send device data to us (if required) unless you are scheduled to do so, experiencing a problem, or if you have been instructed to do so by your nurse or physician.
- Please do not send transmissions daily or weekly unless instructed to do so by your physician.
- After we review your data, if there are any clinical issues that need to be addressed we will contact you. We will NOT contact you following a normal interrogation; but you may call us if you have any questions/concerns.

## **Insurance and Co-Pays**

Our Clinic will bill your insurance company only once during each remote monitoring interval period regardless of how many transmissions we receive. If you currently have a Co-Pay when you have a clinic visit, we anticipate that you might be billed the same Co-Pay for your remote transmission.

Please note that in office billing and remote monitor billing are independent of each other. If you have questions regarding how your insurance will pay for the remote monitoring visit, please contact your Insurance Company. Your insurance company will ask for CPT codes to quote the charges:



Codes for a Pacemaker Remote Transmission – CPT Code 93294 & 93296 Codes for a Defibrillator Remote Transmission – CPT Code 93295 & 93296 Codes for a LINQ / Confirm / ILR Remote Transmission – CPT Code 93299 & 93298 Codes for ICM/ Intracardiac Heart Failure Remote Transmission- CPT Code 93297

\*\* Legal Disclaimer - These codes are subject to change based on CMS guidelines \*\*

Pacemaker & Defibrillator Remote Monitoring Billing Interval is 91 days Implantable Loop Recorder Remote Monitoring Billing Interval is 31 days ICM Remote Monitoring Billing Interval is 31 days

I have read and understand the Remote Monitoring Department Office Policies:

Patient Signature

Date

### Emergencies

If you have an emergency, call 911. If you receive a shock from your defibrillator, please call the clinic ASAP.

## Traveling and the monitor

If you will be away from home for a long period of time, you can take your monitor with you. Please provide an alternate contact number for the clinic to contact you if necessary. If you have any questions about your implanted device or these guidelines, please contact us. Our business hours are Monday-Friday 9:00am-4:00pm.