

Heart Failure: Patient Teachback Form

For Successful Discharge (Page 1 of 3)

I was in the hospital because:

If I have the following problems...

I should... (fill in what you should do)

1. Weight gain of 3 pounds in 1 day or 5 pounds in 1 week.

2. Swelling in my feet, ankles, hands or stomach

3. Lack of energy feeling more tired

4. Feeling my heart race or feeling like I am going to faint

5. Difficulty sleeping flat or performing normal daily tasks

6. Dry hacking cough or feeling chest pain

Important Contact Information:

My Primary Doctor is: _____ Phone Number: _____

My Hospital Contact is: _____ Phone Number: _____

My Heart Doctor (Cardiologist) is: _____ Phone Number: _____

My Pharmacy is: _____ Phone Number: _____

I have the following home service: N/A Home Health Hospice Private Duty

Name: _____ Phone Number: _____

Name: _____ Phone Number: _____

Name: _____ Phone Number: _____

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My Appointments:

1. _____ on ____ / ____ / ____ at ____ : ____ am/pm
 2. _____ on ____ / ____ / ____ at ____ : ____ am/pm
 3. _____ on ____ / ____ / ____ at ____ : ____ am/pm
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Tests and issues I need to talk with my doctor(s) about at my clinic visit:

1. _____

 2. _____

 3. _____

 4. _____

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My Heart Failure Care Plan:

Lifestyle Changes:

After leaving the hospital, I will make the following changes because of: _____

Personal Goal: _____

Activity: _____, because _____

Diet: _____, because _____

Smoking:

Non-Smoker *Date last smoked:* _____ Smoker *Plan for quitting:* _____



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Medications:

When I leave the hospital and go home, I will be taking the medications on my Prescription Form.

Please initial the following statements that apply to you.

_____ I understand which medicines I took before I came to the hospital, but will now STOP.

_____ I understand which medicines I will continue taking and the new medicines I will now add.

_____ I understand why and when I need to take each medicine.

_____ I understand which side effects to watch for.

_____ I have a bathroom scale or will make plans to get one.

**Please bring all of your medicines to
your follow up appointments.**

**I understand my treatment plan. I feel able and
willing to actively participate in my own care:**

Patient/Caregiver Signature

Relationship to Patient _____

Provider Signature and Title

Date