

CHRONIC PAIN

More Than Just Aches and Pain



1 in 3

Americans suffer from chronic pain¹



100 Million+

Americans are partially or totally disabled by pain¹

Cost of chronic pain for each person living in the U.S.²

\$2,000

More than the annual cost of cancer, heart disease or diabetes²

Taking more than just a physical toll, chronic pain can have a devastating impact and may result in³:

Strained personal relationships

Loss of productivity or inability to work

Increased financial burden

Feeling depressed or withdrawing from others



Enough prescription painkillers were prescribed in 2010 to medicate every American adult around-the-clock for a month⁴

Many people rely on pain medication to manage chronic pain, but it can cause drowsiness, hallucinations or lead to addiction



SPINAL CORD STIMULATION

A safe and effective option

SCS uses an implanted medical device to send electrical impulses that trigger nerves selectively along the spinal cord and mask the pain message traveling to the brain

Patients control their pain using a cordless remote with a portable charger



With SCS, patients may be able to eliminate or reduce their dependency on pain medications

Many patients are able to regain control of their lives



For more information, visit ControlYourPain.com

Sources

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³ The impact of chronic pain in the community (<http://fampra.oxfordjournals.org/content/18/3/292.full>)

⁴ CDC Centers for Disease Control and Prevention: "Prescription Painkiller Overdoses in the US" (<http://www.cdc.gov/vitalsigns/PainkillerOverdoses/ind-ex.html>)

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Indications for Use. Boston Scientific's Precision™ Spinal Cord Stimulator System is indicated as an aid in the management of chronic intractable pain of the trunk and/or limbs, including unilateral or bilateral pain associated with failed back surgery syndrome, intractable low back pain and leg pain. **Contraindications.** The Precision Spinal Cord Stimulator System is not for patients who are unable to operate the system, have failed trial stimulation by failing to receive effective pain relief, are poor surgical risks, or are pregnant. **Warnings.** Patients implanted with the Precision Spinal Cord Stimulator System should not be exposed to Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI). Exposure to MRI may result in dislodgement of the stimulator or leads, heating of the stimulator, severe damage to the stimulator electronics and an uncomfortable or jolting sensation. As a Spinal Cord Stimulation patient, you should not have diathermy as either a treatment for a medical condition or as part of a surgical procedure. Strong electromagnetic fields, such as power generators or theft detection systems, can potentially turn the stimulator off, or cause uncomfortable jolting stimulation. The system should not be charged while sleeping. The Precision Spinal Cord Stimulator System may interfere with the operation of implanted sensing stimulators such as pacemakers or implanted cardiac defibrillators. Advise your physician that you have a Spinal Cord Stimulator before going through with other implantable device therapies so that medical decisions can be made and appropriate safety measures taken. Patients should not operate motorized vehicles or potentially dangerous machinery with therapeutic stimulation switched "on." Your doctor may be able to provide additional information on the Precision Spinal Cord Stimulator System. For a copy of the Precision Spinal Cord Stimulator System Patient Handbook, including the indications for use, contraindications, warnings, precautions, and side effects, call 866.360.4747 or visit ControlYourPain.com. **Caution:** Federal (U.S.) law restricts this device to sale by or on the order of a physician. **MM-151906-AB APR2013**