



PATIENT PROFILE SETUP FOR THE MERLIN.NET™ PATIENT CARE NETWORK (PCN)

The best practices identified in this document are based on in-depth clinician feedback on common practices and attitudes.¹ Medical care of the patient is the sole responsibility of the acting practitioner. This document is not intended to replace the judgment of the acting practitioner nor the establishment of final protocols established within the hospital setting. It does not represent any opinion or endorsement by Abbott of any particular approach to patient management or treatment.

After a patient is implanted with the CardioMEMS™ HF System, it is important to appropriately set up the patient for successful remote monitoring. An initial review of the Merlin.net™ PCN patient profile and data should happen three to seven days after implant.² For more details, refer to the Merlin.net PCN section of the CardioMEMS™ HF System *Program Practice Guide*.

PATIENT PROFILE TAB

PATIENT DETAILS

- Confirm patient's name and date of birth
- Select their language preference
- Confirm address/phone number
(*address is required for patient to receive permanent ID card*)
- Enter demographic and disease state information:
 - Gender
 - Cardiomyopathy (*if applicable*)
 - Ejection Fraction (EF)
- If your clinic has multiple locations following patients, select the appropriate location

DIRECTCALL™ MESSAGE

- Select patient's preferred DirectCall Message method:
 - Call/text primary phone number
 - Text message to other phone number (e.g., spouse's cell) where they will receive text messages
- Verify that the notification times work for the patient and adjust if needed

ICD/PACEMAKER

- If a patient has an Abbott ICD or pacemaker and is being followed remotely with a Merlin@home™ transmitter, enter the device name and serial number that can be found on their device ID card
- If the patient's ICD or pacemaker is not an Abbott device, the information can still be entered manually by clicking on the other manufacturer box, but device diagnostics will not be available in their DirectTrend™ Viewer

PA SENSOR

- Verify that the treating physician selected is the clinician managing the patient's heart failure
- Select sensor location
- Click **Right Heart Cath Implant Values**
 - Enter data from the implant or verify they are accurate, then click **Save**
 - Click **Save** one more time to save all the changes to the patient's profile

PATIENT REVIEW WORKFLOW FOR THE MERLIN.NET™ PATIENT CARE NETWORK (PCN)

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DIRECTTEND™ VIEWER

- Review patient's initial readings to assess their baseline PA diastolic measurements
- Set initial **PA Diastolic Pressure Threshold** by clicking the link under the name
- Clinicians report that it is a common practice¹ to set wide thresholds and record them on the Merlin.net™ PCN – typically, a range of 10 mmHg (e.g., set top of threshold at, or 1 mmHg above, highest daily pressure reading, and the bottom of threshold 10 mmHg below that).
For more information on setting thresholds, please refer to the Merlin.net PCN section of the CardioMEMS™ HF System *Program Practice Guide*

READINGS TAB

- Verify patient has been transmitting daily readings since implant (if not, re-educate patient on the value of daily readings)
- Single click on the readings to verify that the waveform is a physiologic PA waveform; address any suspect readings

MEDICATIONS TAB

- Add an updated list of the patient's heart failure medications

FINAL REVIEW ACTIONS

-  If patient has been transmitting regularly, send a “Reading Received” DirectCall™ Message
-  If patient has not transmitted in a few days, send a “Reading Reminder” DirectCall Message
- Click into Patient Review Box

Last Reviewed: 06-20-2017
Last Billed: 05-28-2017
Last Export: 06-20-2017

- To receive email notifications for this patient, click **Subscribe** 
- Select **Mark As Reviewed**
- If desired, write a note about changes or interventions made in response to today's review
- Select **Mark as Billed** and set Next Billing Reminder for appropriate date depending on your practice protocols

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