

Dear Patient,

We have contacted your heart doctor with some new information about your implanted defibrillator and the connected lead. Your defibrillator system is designed to monitor your heart rhythm and treats both fast and slow rhythms.

Boston Scientific has received reports that some leads are showing signs of a build-up of calcium. Calcium is a mineral that occurs naturally in the human body. Early signs of this can occur on average at eight (8) or more years. Infrequently, these calcium deposits may build up to a level where abnormal lead function can occur.

Your doctor has the details about this topic. Not all patients will show signs of calcium deposits on their lead.

- The build-up of calcium is highly detectable through routine defibrillation system monitoring.
- Programming changes may be available for your defibrillator to maintain normal lead operation.
- In the rare case of abnormal lead function, your doctor may want to implant a new lead.
- Your doctor knows your individual situation best and can discuss the benefits and risks of these options.

Resources available to you:

- This information is available on our website at [www.BostonScientific.com/advisory](http://www.BostonScientific.com/advisory).
- To confirm if your lead is included in this update, visit [www.BostonScientific.com/lookup](http://www.BostonScientific.com/lookup).
  - Enter your preferred language
  - Enter model and serial numbers of your right ventricular lead as shown on your patient-ID card
- It is very important that you attend all scheduled appointments with your heart doctor, both in-person checks and remote checks.

At Boston Scientific, your health and safety are our priority and of utmost importance to us. Please do not hesitate to speak with your heart doctor about this information and how it affects you. Additionally, you may contact Boston Scientific Technical Services.



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