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Heart Smart'S TRANSTELEPHONIC CARDIAC MONITOR DIAGNOSES TRANSIENT SYMPTOMS, SETS UP PROCEDURE FOR INTERVENTION

Cardiac Monitoring Triage Protocol Uses Fiber Optic Telephone Lines To Link Patients With Test Analysis and Help

Huntington, NY – April 1, 2009 – Heart Smart, a leading provider of telemedicine monitoring and diagnostic services, has expanded its transtelephonic monitoring procedures to both identify transient symptoms and to respond to test data results with three, distinct interventions appropriate for each test result.

Transtelephonic cardiac event monitors use standard telephone lines to transmit test data to cardiac labs for analysis. Most cardiac event monitors are patient activated. When a patient experiences symptoms – such as palpitations, light-headedness, etc. – they push a button and an EKG is automatically recorded. Patients then play back the data recording over a standard telephone line to a monitoring center for analysis.

Heart Smart 's Cardiac Monitoring Triage Protocol was developed by Board Certified Cardiologists to provide a real-time response for test data submitted via standard telephone lines. With the use of Heart Smart 's specially designed protocol, patients who transmit their EKG recording receive assurance, advice and care 24/7.

When test results suggest a life-threatening emergency, Heart Smart personnel contact the patient directly, even before contacting the physician, to insure the patient gets to the hospital immediately. If the patient is alone, Heart Smart personnel call the ambulance and then the prescribing physician. Test results for non-emergency arrhythmias are submitted to physicians within a few hours from Heart Smart 's 24/7 monitoring center.

"Our transtelephonic cardiac monitors enable patients to capture their elusive symptoms for early identification and analysis," said R.J. Peterson, executive Vice President, "Through the use of our Cardiac Monitoring Triage Protocol, we have been able to identify patients who needed a pacemaker inserted immediately. Often, a patient's telephone line can literally be a life line."

Underpinning Heart Smart's Cardiac Monitoring Triage Protocol procedures are state of the art monitors. "Not every monitor is suited for every condition" Peterson said. "By matching specialized monitors to each suspected condition, physicians can maximize their diagnostic data.

About Heart Smart

Heart Smart, is known for its outstanding service commitment to patients and physicians. It's product line is centered on state-of-the-art medical devices that enhance diagnostic analysis. Heart Smart, through a unique partnership with other firms, provides overnight Sleep Apnea Testing, Mobile Ultrasound Services and Nerve Conduction Testing. The privately-held company is based in Huntington, NY.