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# Micra™ leadless pacemakers

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# Hospital & physician reimbursement guide

## For Micra™ leadless pacemakers

This guide has been developed to help you understand Medicare coverage, coding, and payment for Micra leadless pacemakers.

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# Overview

## Micra™ leadless pacemakers

Micra leadless pacemakers are miniaturized and delivered percutaneously via a minimally invasive approach without the use of leads.

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Micra VR leadless pacemakers are FDA-approved for patients who have experienced one or more of the following conditions:

- ✔ Paroxysmal or permanent high-grade AV block in the presence of AF
- ✔ Paroxysmal or permanent high-grade AV block in the absence of AF, as an alternative to dual chamber pacing, when a dual-chamber transvenous pacing system is considered difficult, high risk, or not deemed necessary for effective therapy
- ✔ Symptomatic bradycardia-tachycardia syndrome or sinus node dysfunction (sinus bradycardia or sinus pauses), as an alternative to atrial or dual chamber pacing, when a dual-chamber transvenous pacing system is considered difficult, high risk, or not deemed necessary for effective therapy

Micra AV leadless pacemakers are FDA-approved for patients who are indicated for VDD pacing. See product labelling<sup>1</sup> for indication details.

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# Coverage for leadless pacemakers

## Overview



### Traditional Medicare

Medicare covers leadless pacemakers under an [NCD specifying coverage with evidence development \(CED\)](#)<sup>2</sup>



### Medicare Advantage

Medicare Advantage plans are required to cover at least what is covered by Traditional Medicare. [Medicare NCDs apply to both traditional Medicare and Medicare Advantage plans.](#) Medicare Advantage plans may require prior authorization<sup>9</sup>



### Non-Medicare payer coverage

Non-Medicare payers may require prior authorization. Consult the specific payer coverage policy to determine requirements for coverage and any specific billing instructions, if applicable.

[Click here for Leadless Pacemaker NCD detail](#)

[Click here for CED billing detail](#)

[Click here for Medicare Advantage Coverage detail](#)

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# Coverage for leadless pacemakers

## Medicare detail

Medicare covers leadless pacemakers under an NCD specifying coverage with evidence development (CED)<sup>4</sup>

- This NCD can be found in [Section 20.8.4 of the Medicare NCD Manual](#).<sup>2</sup>
- This NCD applies to all leadless pacemaker systems and both traditional Medicare and Medicare Advantage beneficiaries .
- CED requirements are met when procedures are performed as part of an ongoing, CMS-approved study and used according to the FDA-labeled indications.

### Micra CED studies meet Medicare coverage requirements

Medicare approved coverage for beneficiaries enrolled in the Micra CED Study (for patients with Micra VR devices) and the Micra AV CED Study (for patients with Micra AV devices).<sup>6</sup> The [clinicaltrials.gov](#) registration provides study descriptions for the Micra CED studies.<sup>5,6</sup>

When a Micra™ procedure claim is submitted to Medicare, the patient is automatically enrolled in a CED study

[Click here for more about CED Billing Instructions](#)

Micra claims must include appropriate National Clinical Trials (NCT) to meet Medicare coverage criteria.<sup>23</sup>  
No additional work is required for CED study participation\*

Device	Model #	NCT #	CED Study name
Micra VR pacemaker	MC1VR01	03039712	Micra CED study
Micra VR2 pacemaker	MC2VR01		
Micra AV pacemaker	MC1AVR1	04235491	Micra AV CED study
Micra AV2 pacemaker	MC2AVR1		

\*The CED studies have received central IRB approval, so IRB approval at individual hospitals is not necessary.<sup>22, 24</sup> The central IRB also provided a waiver of consent, which means providers are not required to consent patients to the CED studies.<sup>25</sup> For further detail, see guidance issued from the Office of Human Research Protections.<sup>23</sup>

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## Medicare Advantage detail

Medicare NCDs apply to both traditional Medicare and Medicare Advantage plans.

The Medicare Managed Care Manual establishes that Medicare Advantage plans are subject to the same coverage requirements as traditional Medicare for NCDs requiring CED.<sup>9</sup>



Scan for more information from CMS on Medicare Advantage (navigate to sections 10.7.1 and 10.7.3)



Click here for information about 2024 legislation clarifying Medicare Advantage coverage

## Medicare Advantage plans

may have specific instructions requiring the specification of the NCT for proper billing. In addition, prior authorization for Micra™ pacemaker insertion procedures may be required from Medicare Advantage plans to determine the applicability of covered benefits for a specific patient case. We recommend you contact your patient's Medicare Advantage plan for information on any claims processing requirements that may be applicable to your Medicare Advantage patients.

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## [General prior authorization guide](#)

- General process of prior authorization
- Documentation and information to collect
- Payer differences
- Contacting the payer
- Submitting the request
- Peer-to-peer
- Initial submission vs. appeal



## [Micra leadless pacemakers prior authorization resources](#)

- Sample Prior Authorization Letter
- Sample Pre-service appeal letter
- Summary of guidelines and key evidence



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# Coding for Micra™ Leadless Pacemakers

The coding information below is for information only and does not replace seeking coding advice from the payer and/or your own coding staff. The ultimate responsibility for correct coding lies with the provider of services. All diagnosis and procedure codes must be supported by clear documentation within the medical record.<sup>10</sup>



## CPT® codes

The following CPT®<sup>13</sup> codes describe procedures associated with Micra™ leadless pacemakers. Documentation will dictate the appropriate coding. These codes may be used by physicians in any setting and may be used by facilities when services are rendered in the outpatient hospital or ambulatory surgery center setting. Leadless pacemaker procedures are not reimbursed in the ASC setting by Medicare.<sup>7</sup>

It is the physician's discretion as to what codes to report based on what procedures were performed and documented.

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**Insertion or removal of Micra™ leadless pacemaker**

33274  Transcatheter insertion or replacement of permanent leadless pacemaker, right ventricular, including imaging guidance (e.g., fluoroscopy, venous ultrasound, ventriculography, femoral venography) and device evaluation (e.g., interrogation or programming), when performed

33275 Transcatheter removal of permanent leadless pacemaker, right ventricular, including imaging guidance (e.g., fluoroscopy, venous ultrasound, ventriculography, femoral ventriculography), when performed

**In-person monitoring**

93279 Programming device evaluation (in person) with iterative adjustment of the implantable device to test the function of the device and select optimal permanent programmed values with analysis, review and report by a physician or other qualified health care professional; single lead pacemaker system or leadless pacemaker system in one cardiac chamber

93286 Peri-procedural device evaluation (in person) and programming of device system parameters before or after a surgery, procedure, or test with analysis, review and report by a physician or other qualified health care professional; single, dual, or multiple lead pacemaker system, or leadless pacemaker system

93288 Interrogation device evaluation (in person) with analysis, review and report by a physician or other qualified health care professional, includes connection, recording and disconnection per patient encounter; single, dual, or multiple lead pacemaker system, or leadless pacemaker system

**Remote monitoring**

93294 Interrogation device evaluation, remote, up to 90 days, single, dual, or multiple lead pacemaker system, or leadless pacemaker system with interim analysis, review(s) and report(s) by a physician or other qualified health care professional

93296 Interrogation device evaluation, remote, up to 90 days, single, dual, or multiple lead pacemaker system, leadless pacemaker system, or implantable defibrillator system, remote data acquisition(s), receipt of transmissions and technician review, technical support and distribution of results

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 Medicare policy requires specific additional information on claims. See billing instructions section [here](#).

# HCPCS codes (C-codes)

Medicare provides device C-codes for hospital use in billing Medicare for medical devices in the outpatient setting.<sup>12</sup> The following HCPCS device c-code relates to the insertion of the Micra leadless pacemaker procedures

HCPCS code	HCPCS code description
C1786	Pacemaker, single chamber, rate-responsive (implantable)
C1894	Introducer/sheath, other than guiding, other than intracardiac electrophysiological, non-laser



Click here for the Medtronic C-code finder complete list of Medtronic cardiac products and their associated C-Codes

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# ICD-10-CM diagnosis codes

Hospitals and other providers assign ICD-10-CM codes to indicate a patient's diagnosis or clinical status. The following is a list of examples of possible ICD-10-CM diagnosis codes that may relate to indications associated with leadless pacemaker procedures. This is not an all-inclusive list and the diagnosis codes reported should be based on documentation appropriate to individual patient presentation.

ICD-10-CM diagnosis code <sup>14</sup>	ICD-10-CM diagnosis code description
<b>Primary (Principal) diagnosis</b>	
I44.1	Atrioventricular block, second degree
I44.2	Atrioventricular block, complete
I49.5	Sick sinus syndrome (Tachy-brady syndrome)
Q24.6	Congenital heart block
<b>Secondary diagnosis</b>	
Z00.6 	Encounter for examination for normal comparison and control in clinical research program
<b>Tertiary diagnosis (Used only if applicable)</b>	
I48.0	Paroxysmal atrial fibrillation
I48.1	Persistent atrial fibrillation
I48.2	Chronic atrial fibrillation

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# ICD-10-PCS procedure codes

Hospitals assign ICD-10-PCS codes for procedures performed during an inpatient admission. The following ICD-10-PCS codes describe commonly performed leadless pacemaker procedures.

ICD-10-PCS code <sup>13</sup>	ICD-10-PCS code description
<b>Insertion of Micra™ leadless pacemaker</b>	
02HK3NZ 	Insertion of intracardiac pacemaker into right ventricle, percutaneous approach
<b>Revision of leadless pacemaker</b>	
02WA3NZ	Revision of intracardiac pacemaker in heart, percutaneous approach
<b>Removal of leadless pacemaker</b>	
02PA3NZ	Removal of intracardiac pacemaker from heart, percutaneous approach
<b>Removal and replacement of leadless pacemaker</b>	
02PA3NZ and 02HK3NZ	Removal of intracardiac pacemaker from heart, percutaneous approach; and insertion of intracardiac pacemaker into right ventricle, percutaneous approach

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# Payment for Micra™ leadless pacemakers

The following information reflects the Medicare national allowable amount published by CMS and does not include Medicare payment reductions resulting from sequestration adjustments to the amount payable to the provider, as mandated by the Budget Control Act of 2011.

The Medtronic Customer Economics and Reimbursement teams can provide site-specific information upon request.



## Physician payment

Effective January 1, 2024-December 31, 2024<sup>15</sup>

Physicians use CPT® codes to represent procedures and services performed in all places of service. Under Medicare's methodology for physician payment, each CPT® code is assigned a value, known as relative value units (RVUs). RVUs are part of how Medicare determines a payment amount. RVUs are then converted to a flat payment amount.

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CPT® code <sup>11</sup>	Modifier	CPT® description <sup>11</sup>	2024 Medicare national non-facility		2024 Medicare national facility	
			Total RVUs <sup>15</sup>	Payment rate <sup>15</sup>	Total RVUs <sup>15</sup>	Payment rate <sup>15</sup>
<b>Leadless permanent pacemaker procedures</b>						
33274	!	Transcatheter insertion or replacement of permanent leadless pacemaker, right ventricular, including imaging guidance (e.g., fluoroscopy, venous ultrasound, ventriculography, femoral venography) and device evaluation (e.g., interrogation or programming), when performed	n/a	n/a	14.08	\$461
33275		Transcatheter removal of permanent leadless pacemaker, right ventricular, including imaging guidance (e.g., fluoroscopy, venous ultrasound, ventriculography, femoral ventriculography), when performed	n/a	n/a	14.88	\$487
<b>Pacemaker device programming – in person</b>						
93279		Programming device evaluation; single lead or leadless pacemaker system	2.01	\$66	n/a	n/a
93279	26		0.91	\$30	0.91	\$30
93279	TC		1.10	\$36	n/a	n/a

! Medicare policy requires specific additional information on claims. See billing instructions section (pages 19-23) [here](#).

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CPT® code <sup>11</sup>	Modifier	CPT® description <sup>11</sup>	2024 Medicare national non-facility		2024 Medicare national facility	
			Total RVUs <sup>15</sup>	Payment rate <sup>15</sup>	Total RVUs <sup>15</sup>	Payment rate <sup>15</sup>
<b>Pacemaker device interrogation – in person</b>						
93288			2.50	\$82	n/a	n/a
93288	26	Interrogation device evaluation; single, dual, or multiple lead or leadless pacemaker system	1.21	\$40	1.21	\$40
93288	TC		1.29	\$42	n/a	n/a
<b>Pacemaker device evaluation – remote</b>						
93294		Interrogation device evaluation(s); dual, multiple lead or leadless pacemaker system – PC	0.87	\$28	0.87	\$28
93296		Interrogation device evaluation(s); single, dual, multiple lead or leadless pacemaker system – TC	0.64	\$21	n/a	n/a
<b>Peri-procedural device programming</b>						
93286			1.35	\$44	n/a	n/a
93286	26	Peri-procedural device evaluation (in person) and programming device system parameters before or after a surgery, procedure, or test; pacemaker system	0.43	\$14	0.43	\$14
93286	TC		0.92	\$30	n/a	n/a

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# Hospital outpatient payment



## Effective January 1, 2024–December 31, 2024<sup>16</sup>

The following CPT<sup>®11</sup> codes describe procedures associated with Micra™ leadless pacemakers. Documentation will dictate the appropriate coding. These codes may be used by physicians in any setting and may be used by facilities when services are rendered in the outpatient hospital or ambulatory surgery center setting. Leadless pacemaker procedures are not reimbursed in the ASC setting by Medicare.<sup>9</sup>

It is the physician's discretion as to what codes to report based on what procedures were performed and documented.

CPT <sup>®</sup> code <sup>11</sup>	CPT <sup>®</sup> description	2024 APC <sup>16</sup>	APC title <sup>16</sup>	Status indicator <sup>16</sup>	2024 Medicare national unadjusted rate <sup>16</sup>
<b>Leadless permanent pacemaker procedures</b>					
33274 	Transcatheter insertion or replacement of permanent leadless pacemaker, right ventricular, including imaging guidance (e.g., fluoroscopy, venous ultrasound, ventriculography, femoral venography) and device evaluation (e.g., interrogation or programming), when performed	5224	Level 4 Pacemaker and Similar Procedures	J1	\$18,585
33275	Transcatheter removal of permanent leadless pacemaker, right ventricular, including imaging guidance (e.g., fluoroscopy, venous ultrasound, ventriculography, femoral ventriculography), when performed	5183	Level 3 vascular procedures	J1	\$3,040

\*CPT 33274 was reassigned to C-APC 5224 in 2024. Previously, was assigned to C-APC

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CPT® code <sup>11</sup>	CPT® description	2024 APC <sup>16</sup>	APC title <sup>16</sup>	Status indicator <sup>16</sup>	2024 Medicare national unadjusted rate <sup>16</sup>
<b>Pacemaker device programming – in person</b>					
93279	Programming device evaluation; single lead or leadless pacemaker system	5741	Level 1 electronic analysis of devices	Q1	\$36
<b>Pacemaker device interrogation – in person</b>					
93288	Interrogation device evaluation; single, dual, or multiple lead or leadless pacemaker system	5741	Level 1 electronic analysis of devices	Q1	\$36
<b>Pacemaker device evaluation – remote</b>					
93294	Interrogation device evaluation(s); single, dual, multiple lead or leadless pacemaker system	n/a	n/a	M	-
93296	Interrogation device evaluation(s); single, dual, multiple lead or leadless pacemaker system	5741	Level 1 electronic analysis of devices	Q1	\$36
<b>Peri-procedure device programming; pacemaker</b>					
93286	Peri-procedural device evaluation (in person) and programming device system parameters before or after a surgery, procedure, or test; pacemaker system	n/a	n/a	N	-

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# Hospital inpatient payment




## Effective October 1, 2023–September 30, 2024<sup>17</sup>

For Medicare, inpatient hospital reimbursement is facilitated through Medicare Severity Diagnosis Related Groups (MS-DRGs).

For each admission, the ICD-10 diagnosis and procedure codes are grouped into one of over 750 MS-DRGs. Regardless of the number of codes, only one MS-DRG is assigned to the inpatient hospital admission.

If medical necessity criteria are met to support an inpatient admission for the leadless pacemaker procedure the MS-DRG assignment may be:

ICD-10-PCS procedure code	MS-DRG description	FY2024 MS-DRG Medicare national unadjusted payment rate <sup>17</sup>
02HK3NZ or 02PA3NZ or 02WA3NZ 	228: other cardiothoracic procedures with MCC 229: other cardiothoracic procedures without MCC	\$35,279 \$22,262

 Medicare policy requires specific additional information on claims. See billing instructions section (pages 19-23) [here](#).

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# Billing instructions

## Medicare has published specific claims submission instructions for leadless pacemakers for traditional Medicare and Medicare Advantage claims

- Medicare Claims Processing Manual 100-04, Transmittal 3815 instructs how to properly submit claims under national coverage determination (NCD) 20.8.4. for leadless pacemakers.<sup>7</sup>
- Instructions apply to Medicare Advantage and traditional Medicare claims.<sup>2,9</sup> For non-Medicare payers, coverage and specific billing instructions may vary. We recommend contacting each individual plan for information.
- The tables below summarizes the CED billing instructions found in the Medicare Claims Processing Manual 100-04, Transmittal 3815.<sup>19</sup>

Claim requirement	Identifying information required by leadless pacemaker NCD
National Clinical Trial (NCT) number	<u>Micra VR devices: 03039712</u> <u>Micra AV devices: 04235491</u>
Modifier to CPT® implant code	<b>-Q0</b> Investigational clinical service provided in a clinical research <u>study that is in an approved clinical research study</u>
Secondary diagnosis code	<b>Z00.6</b> Encounter for examination for normal comparison and control in clinical research program
Condition code (facility claims only)	<b>30<sup>21</sup></b> qualifying clinical trial
Value codes (facility claims only)	<b>D4</b> ("code") and <b>NCT number</b> ("Amount")

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## Inpatient hospital claim

### UB-04 form locator

### Identifying information required by leadless pacemaker NCD

Form Locator 39

**D4** is reported in the Code field.

The NCT number is reported in the Amount field.

Micra VR devices: **03039712** Micra AV devices: **04235491**

Do not include "NCT" prefix.

Form Locator 67

Diagnosis code **Z00.6** is required as a secondary diagnosis

Form Locator 18

Condition code **30<sup>21</sup>** is required

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## Outpatient hospital claim

### UB-04 form locator (or electronic equivalent)

### Identifying information required by leadless pacemaker NCD

Form Locator 39

D4 is reported in the Code field.  
The NCT number is reported in the Amount field.  
Micra VR devices: 03039712 Micra AV devices: 04235491  
Do not include "NCT" prefix.

Form Locator 44

-Q0 modifier is required on CPT 33274

Form Locator 67

Diagnosis code Z00.6 is required as a secondary diagnosis

Form Locator 18

Condition code 30<sup>19</sup> is required

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## Physician claim

CMS 1500 form locator  
(or electronic equivalent)

### Identifying information required by leadless pacemaker NCD

Item 23

Micra VR devices: [03039712](#) Micra AV devices: [04235491](#)

Item 24D

[-Q0](#) modifier is required on CPT 33274

Item 21

Diagnosis code [Z00.6](#) is required as a secondary diagnosis

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# Billing instructions

## Non-Medicare payers



### Important

Providers should confirm coverage with the payer prior to implanting Micra™ Leadless Pacemakers in a patient with commercial insurance. Consult the specific payer coverage policy to determine requirements for coverage and any specific billing instructions, if applicable.

[Click here for prior authorization resources](#)

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# Frequently asked questions

## 01

### **Are leadless pacemaker included in the Medicare single and dual pacemaker NCD?**

No, leadless pacemakers have a unique NCD and criteria. See [Coverage](#) section of this document for details

## 02

### **Are Medicare Advantage (MA) plans required to provide coverage for Micra™ pacemakers?**

Yes. Medicare Advantage plans are required by Medicare to process CED claims for their patients. These plans may require additional steps such as prior authorization so check with the specific insurance for any additional requirements. See [Billing Instructions](#) section of this document for more details.

## 03

### **Is my hospital considered to be engaged in research because of the Micra CED Study protocols?**

No. These studies are data collection through billing claims. Hospitals do not need to enroll as a study participant or obtain IRB approval. See [Medicare Detailed Coverage](#) section of this document for details.

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### **Why do I need to enter the NCT number on leadless pacemaker claims for traditional Medicare and Medicare Advantage?**

The NCT number for the CED is required by Medicare and Medicare Advantage to identify that this claim meets the coverage criteria in the Leadless Pacemaker NCD.<sup>2</sup>

## 05

### **How do I know which Micra™ CED Study a specific Medicare patient is participating in?**

There are separate CED studies for Micra AV and Micra VR devices. The patient's procedure report should have information on which device a patient received.<sup>2</sup> [Click here to find the specific NCT numbers for each study.](#)

## 06

### **Do CED billing instructions apply for commercial payers or Medicaid?**

No, these billing instructions are only required by Medicare and Medicare Advantage. Providers should consult specific payer coverage policy to determine coverage. For additional information, see our [Micra Coverage and Prior Authorization](#) resource.

## 07

### **Are CMS NCDs binding on all MACs? What about all Medicare Advantage plans?**

Yes. CMS NCD decisions are binding on all Medicare contractors, and local Medicare policies cannot be more restrictive than the NCD. Medicare Advantage plans are subject to the same coverage requirements as traditional Medicare but may require prior authorization<sup>9</sup>

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## 08

### **Are Micra™ procedures reimbursed in the Ambulatory Surgical Center (ASC) for Medicare beneficiaries?**

Leadless pacemaker procedures are not reimbursed in the ASC setting by Medicare.<sup>7</sup> While leadless pacemaker procedures are included on the ASC approved procedure list, CMS specifies in Transmittal 3815, Change Request 10117, these procedures can only be performed in certain locations and ASCs are not included in these locations.

## 09

### **Why is Micra™ AV reported with the same procedure code as Micra VR? Isn't Micra AV a dual pacing device?**

While the Micra AV functions has some functionality like a dual chamber pacemaker, it is physically located in one chamber of the heart so it is reported as a single.

## 10

### **Do Micra pacemakers claims need the KX modifier like transvenous pacemaker claims?**

No, the KX modifier is not required on leadless pacemaker claims since they are not included in the pacemaker policy that requires it.

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## Brief Statement

### Combined Micra™ VR2 and Micra™ AV2 Indications (or Intended Use)

Micra VR2 Model MC2VR01 is indicated for use in patients who have experienced one or more of the following conditions:

- paroxysmal or permanent high-grade AV block in the presence of AF
- paroxysmal or permanent high-grade AV block in the absence of AF, as an alternative to dual chamber pacing, when a dual-chamber transvenous pacing system is considered difficult, high risk, or not deemed necessary for effective therapy
- symptomatic bradycardia-tachycardia syndrome or sinus node dysfunction (sinus bradycardia or sinus pauses), as an alternative to atrial or dual chamber pacing, when a dual-chamber transvenous pacing system is considered difficult, high risk, or not deemed necessary for effective therapy

Rate-responsive pacing is indicated to provide increased heart rate appropriate to increasing levels of activity.

The device is designed to be used only in the right ventricle.

Micra AV2 Model MC2AVR1 is indicated for VDD pacing in patients when a dual chamber transvenous pacing system is considered a poor option or not deemed necessary for effective therapy, and when a right ventricular transcatheter pacing system promoting AV synchrony at rest is acceptable. Conditions when a patient is considered a poor candidate for transvenous pacing may include, but are not limited to, tortuous anatomy, a need to preserve venous access, or increased risk of infection. The device provides AV synchrony at rest and rate responsive (VVIR) pacing during periods of high patient activity.

Device-mediated AV synchrony can vary depending on patient condition and activity levels, and it can be limited at high sinus rates. During periods of intermittent AV synchrony, the device will provide ventricular pacing support with an increased potential for pacing rate variability. Micra AV2 is indicated for use in patients who have experienced one of the following:

- Paroxysmal or permanent high-grade AV block in the absence of AF
- Paroxysmal or permanent high-grade AV block in the presence of paroxysmal AF
- Paroxysmal or permanent high-grade AV block in the presence of persistent AF when attempts at restoring sinus rhythm are still planned

The device is designed to be used only in the right ventricle.

## Contraindications

Micra VR2 Model MC2VR01 and Micra AV2 Model MC2AVR1 are contraindicated for patients who have the following types of medical devices implanted: an implanted device that would interfere with the implant of the Micra device in the judgment of the implanting physician, an implanted inferior vena cava filter, a mechanical tricuspid valve, or an implanted cardiac device providing active cardiac therapy that may interfere with the sensing performance of the Micra device.

The device is contraindicated for patients who have the following conditions: femoral venous anatomy unable to accommodate a 7.8 mm (23 French) introducer sheath or implant on the right side of the heart (for example, due to obstructions or severe tortuosity), morbid obesity that prevents the implanted device from obtaining telemetry communication within  $\leq 12.5$  cm (4.9 in), or known intolerance to the materials listed in the Instruction for Use, or to heparin, or sensitivity to contrast media that cannot be adequately premedicated, or if the steroid dose from this device cannot be tolerated.

## Warnings and Precautions

End of Service (EOS) – When the EOS condition is met, the clinician has the option of permanently programming the device to Off and leaving it in the heart, or retrieving the device, provided the device has not yet become encapsulated. Removal of the Micra device after it has become encapsulated may be difficult because of the development of fibrotic tissue. If removal of the device is required, it is recommended that the removal be performed by a clinician who has expertise in the removal of implanted leads.

MRI conditions for use – Before an MRI scan is performed on a patient implanted with the Micra device, the cardiology and radiology professionals involved in this procedure must understand the requirements specific to their tasks as defined in the device manuals.

Rate-responsive mode may not be appropriate for patients who cannot tolerate pacing rates above the programmed Lower Rate. The patient's age and medical condition should be considered by physicians and patients as they select the pacing system, mode of operation, and implant technique best suited to the individual.

Precautions should be taken before administering anticoagulant agents, antiplatelet agents, or contrast media in patients with known hypersensitivity to these agents.

The use of deactivated Micra devices in situ and an active Micra device, or an active transvenous pacemaker or defibrillator, has not been clinically tested to determine whether EMI or physical interaction is clinically significant. Bench testing supports that implantation of an active Micra device, or an active transvenous pacemaker or defibrillator, next to an inactivated Micra device

is unlikely to cause EMI or physical interaction. Post-approval studies are planned to characterize risks of co-implanted, deactivated Micra devices. Currently recommended end of device life care for a Micra device may include the addition of a replacement device with or without explanation of the Micra device, which should be turned off. For Micra AV2 Model MC2AVR1, patient activities and environments which present mechanical vibrations to the patient can interfere with the mechanical sensing of atrial contractions. This can result in a loss of AV synchrony.

## Potential Adverse Events or Potential Complications

Potential complications include, but are not limited to, toxic/allergic reaction, oversensing, pacemaker syndrome, cardiac arrest, necrosis, and surgical complications such as cardiac perforation, pericardial effusion, cardiac tamponade, device embolization, hematoma, AV fistula, vessel dissection, infection, cardiac inflammation, and thrombosis.

See the device manuals for detailed information regarding the implant procedure, indications, contraindications, warnings, precautions, MRI conditions for use, and potential complications/ adverse events. For further information, please call Medtronic at 800-328-2518 and/or consult the Medtronic website at medtronic.com.

Caution: Federal law (USA) restricts these devices to sale by or on the order of a physician.

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