

Cardiff Cardiac Ablation PROM (C-CAP)

Draft Version (pre-validation)

Arrhythmia Questionnaire – After your Operation

We would be grateful if you could give us some feedback on how you have been feeling since your procedure to treat your palpitations / fast or irregular heartbeats. Please answer **ALL** of the questions.

- 1) Please tick **ONE** box which best describes your symptoms **within the last 30 days** related to the **FREQUENCY** of the attacks of your palpitations / fast or irregular heartbeats (i.e. how **OFTEN** they occur):

My palpitations / fast or irregular heartbeats have: (please tick one)

Stopped	
Become less frequent	
Not changed	
Become more frequent	

- 2) Please tick **ONE** box which best describes your symptoms **within the last 30 days** related to the **LENGTH** of the attacks of your palpitations / fast or irregular heartbeats (i.e. how **LONG** they last):

The duration of my palpitations / fast or irregular heartbeats has: (please tick one)

They have stopped	
Become shorter	
Not changed	
Become longer	

- 3) Please tick **ONE** box in **EACH** column which best describes your symptoms **within the last 30 days** related to your **tiredness and breathlessness**:

	Please tick one
I do not feel tired	
I feel less tired	
I feel no different (tiredness)	
I feel more tired	

	Please tick one
I do not feel breathless	
I feel less breathless	
I feel no different (breathlessness)	
I feel more breathless	

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4) During your hospital stay, or in the month afterwards, did you experience any complications related to your ablation procedure?

Yes No

5) Which complications (if any) were you **WARNED ABOUT** related to your procedure? Please tick ALL that you were warned about.

None	
Excessive bruising	
Wound site complications (eg. bleeding / swelling)	
Stroke	
Blood around the heart requiring a needle to remove it	
Air around the lung (pneumothorax)	
Extended hospital stay (related to your procedure)	
Readmission to hospital (related to your procedure)	

6) Which complications (if any) did you **EXPERIENCE** related to your procedure? Please tick ALL that you experienced:

No complications	
Excessive bruising	
Wound site complications (e.g. bleeding / swelling)	
Stroke	
Blood around the heart requiring a needle to remove it	
Air around the lung (pneumothorax)	
Extended hospital stay (related to your procedure)	
Readmission to hospital (related to your procedure)	
Other complication related to your procedure (please specify)	

7) Did the outcome of the procedure meet or exceed your expectations?

Yes No

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The following questions are related to your condition and symptoms **SINCE** your recent procedure

- 8) Please circle the numbers below that most accurately indicate the severity of each symptom you have had **within the last 30 days**. Please circle **ONE** number for **EVERY** symptom. If you do not have the symptom please circle 0 (None).

	0 None	1 Mild	2 Moderate	3 Severe
Palpitations / fast or irregular heartbeats	0	1	2	3
Heart flutters	0	1	2	3
Extra heart beats / missed heart beats	0	1	2	3
Fatigue / no energy	0	1	2	3
Dizziness / light-headedness / feeling faint	0	1	2	3
Hard to catch breath / short of breath	0	1	2	3
Chest pressure as heart is racing	0	1	2	3
Headache / migraine	0	1	2	3
Trouble concentrating	0	1	2	3
Neck pounding / neck pain / neck discomfort	0	1	2	3
Passing out / fainting / blackouts	0	1	2	3
Trouble sleeping	0	1	2	3
Tiredness / sleepiness	0	1	2	3
Nausea / vomiting	0	1	2	3
Anxiety / fear / worry	0	1	2	3

- 9) Since your ablation, how often do you usually get palpitations / fast or irregular heartbeats? **Please tick one only**

Never
 Once a month or less
 Several times a month
 Several times a week
 Several times a day

- 10) Since your ablation, how long do your episodes of palpitations / fast or irregular heartbeats usually last? **Please tick one only**

Not Applicable
 Less than 5 minutes
 5 minutes to 1 hour
 More than 1 hour but less than 12 hours
 12 hours or more

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- 11) Have your palpitations / fast or irregular heartbeats had any impact on the number of days you have attended work / school / college (including unpaid work, role as a carer and time spent job-seeking) **in the last 30 days**? If so, for how many days do you think it had an impact? (If this does not apply please tick "Not Applicable").

	No of Days (0-30)	Not applicable
Days you have missed at work / school / college		

- 12) Have your palpitations / fast or irregular heartbeats had any impact on your social activities **in the last 30 days**, and if so, for how many days do you think it has had an impact?

	No of Days (0-30)	Not applicable
Days you have had to cut down on your social activities		

- 13) Have your palpitations / fast or irregular heartbeats had any impact on the number of days you have been able to carry out your normal daily activities (including household duties) **in the last 30 days**? If so, for how many days do you think it has had an impact?

	No of Days (0-30)	Not applicable
Days you have been unable to carry out normal daily activities		

- 14) How many times have you needed to visit a GP / Hospital **within the last 30 days** (related to your palpitations / fast or irregular heartbeats)?

GP

Hospital

- 15) Please circle the number that most accurately indicates how you feel about the following statements, please circle **ONE** number for **EVERY** statement. If you feel the statement does not apply to you please circle 0 (Not Applicable).

	0 Not Applicable	1 Agree Mildly	2 Agree Moderately	3 Agree Strongly
I worry that my palpitations/fast or irregular heartbeats will start	0	1	2	3
My everyday physical activities are limited	0	1	2	3
My palpitations have an impact on my own sport / leisure activities	0	1	2	3
I worry about the effect of my heart rhythm on my health	0	1	2	3
My palpitations / fast or irregular heartbeats interfere with my social activities	0	1	2	3
I am restricted in my travel / holiday plans	0	1	2	3
I am less confident due to my palpitations	0	1	2	3
My palpitations / fast or irregular heartbeats have an emotional / physical impact when I am driving	0	1	2	3
My palpitations have had a financial impact (e.g. time off work, extra childcare costs)	0	1	2	3
My palpitations have an impact on my family / friends	0	1	2	3

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- 16) Do you normally take any medication for your palpitations / fast or irregular heartbeat?
 Yes No

- 17) If Yes, please tell us the name of the medications you take for your palpitations and the amount you take each day.

<u>Name of medication</u>	<u>Amount each day (in mg)</u>
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

- 18) If you take medication for your palpitations / fast or irregular heartbeats is it?
 a) More than before the procedure
 b) The same as before the procedure
 c) Less than before the procedure

The following questions are related to your GENERAL health:

- 19) Have you been told by a doctor that you have any of the following?
 (Please tick all that apply)

Liver disease <input type="checkbox"/>	High blood pressure <input type="checkbox"/>
Other heart condition e.g. angina, heart attack or heart failure <input type="checkbox"/>	Cancer (within the last 5 years) <input type="checkbox"/>
Diabetes <input type="checkbox"/>	Leg pain when walking due to poor circulation <input type="checkbox"/>
Lung disease e.g. asthma, chronic bronchitis or emphysema <input type="checkbox"/>	Arthritis <input type="checkbox"/>
Kidney disease <input type="checkbox"/>	Depression <input type="checkbox"/>
Problems caused by stroke <input type="checkbox"/>	Diseases of the nervous system e.g. Parkinson's disease or multiple sclerosis <input type="checkbox"/>