



#### Medication information and reminders

#### Refill reminder

We all forget sometimes. That's why we are including a refill reminder for your refrigerator. It has space for you to fill in the dates you need to get your anti-clotting prescriptions filled, a reminder to buy aspirin, and spaces for other medications you may be taking for other reasons.

#### Stent wallet card case

This will protect the card you were given when you had your stent implanted. It contains important information regarding your anti-clotting medication and the phone number for your cardiologist. It also reminds you to talk about your stent with other doctors and health care providers so that they don't have you stop taking your anti-clotting medications. It's a good idea to always carry this with you.

#### Individualized reminder service

We can't emphasize enough the importance of taking your anti-clotting medications. We will send reminder emails to patients who have enrolled on the Stentplus™ Program Web site. These can help you remember to get your prescription filled and continue to take your anti-clotting medications. Sign up for this email reminder service at www.stentplus.com.

# Information on financial assistance programs



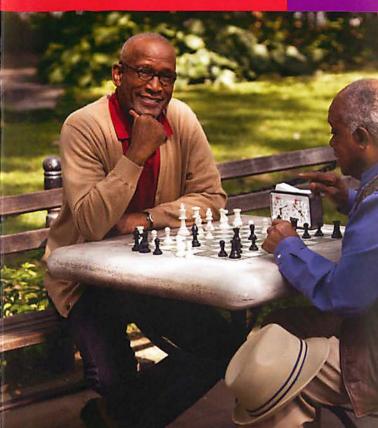
There are programs that help patients pay for or get a discount on their prescriptions. They include:

- Private foundations
- Government programs
- · Prescription discount cards

Also available is the Partnership for Prescription Assistance, which can link you to almost 500 public and private patient assistance programs and can help you find a program that is right for you.

For more information, please see the financial assistance sheet included in your Stentplus™ Program kit. You can get additional information at the Stentplus™ Program's Web site at www.stentplus.com.

The Stentplus<sup> $\mathrm{TM}$ </sup> Program is here to help you successfully complete your course of anti-clotting medications which your doctor has prescribed.



# Stent plus \*\*

Patient Success Program

The plus you need to succeed







# Perhaps you are thinking "why me?"

We know you've been through a lot. Given time and treatment, life should get closer to normal every day. To make that happen, your doctor has already begun your treatment for coronary artery disease (CAD) by implanting a stent.

#### Implanting your stent

Implanting your stent is the first part of getting you back on the road to health. Your new stent opens the blockage in your artery. You may already be experiencing relief from the chest pain and pressure caused by the blockage.

### **Anti-clotting medications**

Now that the stent is in place, your body needs time to heal. After your procedure, there is a small but real chance of a blood clot forming. Your doctor has prescribed an anti-clotting medication, such as PLAVIX® or TICLID®, along with aspirin.

It is **very important** for you to take these anti-clotting medications every day. The length of time you need to stay on these medications is decided by your cardiologist.

To help you successfully complete this part of your treatment, your cardiology team has recommended the Stentplus™ Patient Success Program.

# Lifestyle changes

Talk to your cardiologist about changes in diet and activity.

# What is the Stentplus™ Patient Success Program?

The Stentplus<sup>™</sup> Program is made up of services and important information about coronary artery disease and your anti-clotting medications.

The Stentplus™ Program provides:

#### **Educational materials**

A Patient's Guide DVD—Coronary artery disease and its treatment

Sometimes a picture is worth a thousand words. Take a few minutes to watch this DVD.

The Operational Manual for Your Heart
It is important for you to understand coronary artery
disease and why you had your stent implanted.
This manual tells you how coronary artery disease
happens, and explains about your stent and why
anti-clotting medications are so important.

Stentplus™ Program Web site

You can find out more about the Stentplus™ Program at www.stentplus.com. The site includes information about CAD, stent implants, anti-clotting medications, financial assistance, and lifestyle changes. You can also sign up for prescription email reminders on the Web site. Encourage family members or friends to visit, too.

# Whatever you do-

- Don't stop taking your anti-clotting medications until you are told to do so by your cardiologist
- Don't miss a day of taking your medications as prescribed by your doctor
- Be sure to refill your prescriptions on time
- If you have a question, call your cardiologist



The Stentplus™ Program is designed to help you understand how important it is to stay on your doctor-prescribed anti-clotting medication after your stent implant.



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