

# Sound Processor Magnet Patient Information

For detailed instructions see the Baha® Attract User Manual.

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During the first weeks after fitting it is recommended that the patient starts wearing the sound processor for only a few hours per day. Wearing times should then be gradually increased to allow the skin to adapt to the Sound Processor Magnet. If any irritation is noted the Sound Processor Magnet should be removed in order to let the skin rest. If discomfort and/or skin irritation persists, the patient should contact the clinic as it may be necessary to change to a lower strength magnet.

**NOTE:**

*It is important to regularly check that the Sound Processor Magnet is providing sufficient retention and not causing any discomfort for the patient.*

**NOTE:**

*For maximum comfort, patients should always use a Baha SoftWear Pad\*.*

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## Safety information for the magnetic connection

The patient or patient's caregiver(s) should be instructed to:

- Keep the magnet away from life support devices, e.g. cardiac pacemakers and ICDs (implantable cardioverter defibrillators) and magnetic ventricular shunts as the magnets may affect the function of these devices.
- Remove the sound processor and Sound Processor Magnet for any treatment involving ionizing radiation, e.g. for X-rays, CT scan and radiation therapy.
- Refer to the MRI Reference Card included in the document pack if the patient is to undergo an MRI (Magnetic Resonance Imaging) procedure.
- Keep the Sound Processor Magnet in a safe place and away from magnetic cards (e.g. credit cards, bus cards, etc.) as these may be damaged by the magnet.
- The Baha Attract System contains small parts that may be hazardous if swallowed or may cause choking if ingested or inhaled.



## Sound Processor Magnet care

The patient should keep the Sound Processor Magnet and pad clean by using a wipe. Running water should not be used to clean the Sound Processor Magnet or the pad. The snap attachment on the magnet should be kept clean using a soft brush.

The Baha SoftWear Pad should be changed regularly or in the following cases:

- If an accumulation of dirt or moisture on the pad cannot be wiped off.
- If the pad appears worn out or damaged.
- If the patient experiences a gradual deterioration in wearing comfort. (If changing the SoftWear Pad does not help, contact your clinician).

## Changing the Baha Softwear Pad



\* Sound Processor Magnet soft pad

- A** Remove the pad from the Sound Processor Magnet by lifting and gripping the unglued portion, then slowly release the pad from the Sound Processor Magnet.

**NOTE:**

*A small section on the edge of the pad is not covered by adhesive to allow easier grip and removal.*

*Make sure that any remains of adhesive are completely removed from the Sound Processor Magnet.*

- B** Obtain a new pad and remove the cover sheet, from the side where the soft material is slightly visible, to expose the adhesive.
- C** Attach it to the Sound Processor Magnet. Make sure that the pad is centered and covers the entire Sound Processor Magnet surface.
- D** Remove the remaining cover sheet, that is divided in the center, before wearing the Sound Processor Magnet.

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