



Boston Spine & Scoliosis

*Reducing the Trauma of Spine Surgery®
Minimally Invasive Surgery of Cervical, Thoracic and Lumbar Spine, Board Certified*

To our post-operative patients,

Please be advised that you may receive a call following your surgery from a representative with Orthofix regarding an **external bone growth stimulator** that is often prescribed as part of treatment plans for the fusion healing process. This medical device has been shown to increase success rates as well as accelerate and improve the quality of bone growth.

The stimulator is worn for a few hours on a daily basis (in one-hour intervals, if desired) and pulsates a signal that is not felt during the treatment period. Most patients begin treatment anywhere within 1-3 weeks following the procedure (unless insurance stipulations prevent fitting within a hospital or rehab) and used over the course of several months. **Please note that the lumbar bone stimulator is incompatible with pacemakers and a contraindication for patients with them.**

The prescribing of the bone stimulator is dependent upon your procedure, insurance guidelines and other factors. If prescribed, we are confident the device will be within your insurance guidelines and the rep will discuss your coverage as well as explain available options to reduce/eliminate any uncovered amount, if any. Please keep in mind this is the doctor's recommendation to optimize your healing process but not mandatory if it is a financial burden by any means. Of note, Orthofix offers a money-back guarantee to both insurance company and patient should you use the device compliantly for 9 months. Please find our reps' contact info below for any questions and use www.bonestimulation.com as an online reference.

Thank you,

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