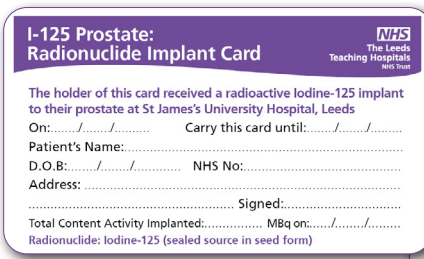


Your Prostate Implant Card

Information for patients

Why have I been given this information card?

This card (shown below) carries information about your implant and some contact telephone numbers. We ask you to carry it with you for **three years**.



Your prostate implant card

Please show this card to the doctor if you need medical treatment, as this may assist your doctor in the management of your case.

Advice: Please follow the radiation safety advice in your leaflet, relating to pregnant women, small children for the **first 2 months** and for sexual contact. If a seed is passed, pick up using a spoon or long handled tweezers and flush it down the toilet.

It is safe for pelvic surgery, post-mortem examinations and cremation to occur after **20 months**. Before this date please contact us on: **Medical Physics 0113 206 8813 or 0113 206 8925** or out of hours ask switchboard to use the Radiation Protection Callout List **Hospital Switchboard 0113 243 3144**

If this card is found please return to:
Brachytherapy Dept., Bexley Wing, St James's University Hospital, Leeds. LS9 7TF, UK

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Please use it to remind your GP or a doctor from another hospital should you need care, or any treatment, during this three year period. It will help other medical professionals to obtain information from us.

It is important they know about your implant.



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Your next of kin should be told about the card so that they can use it in case of unforeseen illness or death. The card can be destroyed after three years.

The card will also be useful to you when travelling away from home. Many airports, seaports, other transport systems and public buildings now have radiation detectors installed. These are very sensitive and may set off an alarm if they detect your implant, even though the radiation levels are very low. You can use your card to explain why this has happened. Please feel free to invite an official to telephone St James's University Hospital if they need any more information.

It might be useful to keep the information contained in this leaflet with you, as well as the card, if you are travelling abroad.

Please **do not** make copies of your card. Please contact us for a replacement card or leaflet should you need one.

Contact numbers

Medical Physics: 0113 206 8813 or 0113 206 8925

Brachytherapy Department: 0113 206 7968

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