

GP FAQs

What is a SCS?

Spinal cord stimulation, also known as neurostimulation, works by delivering mild electrical pulses to the nerves interrupting the transmission of pain signals to the brain, thus reducing pain. HF10 is a next generation SCS treatment, offering multiple key benefits unavailable with other treatments.

How does it work?

The neurophysiological mechanisms of action of spinal cord stimulation are not completely understood but evidence shows that delivering mild electrical pulses to the nerves interrupts the transmission of pain signals to the brain, thus reducing pain.

What type of pain does the SCS work for?

- Neuropathic pain after spinal surgery (Failed Back Surgery Syndrome FBSS)
- Complex Regional Pain Syndrome (CRPS)
- Peripheral Nerve Injury
- Ischemic pain associated with PVD
- Chronic Radicular pain
- Painful Neuropathies
- Amputation Pain
- Axial Low Back pain
- Intercostal neuralgia (post thoracotomy/post herpetic neuralgia)
- Brachial plexopathy

Your doctor can tell you if the Senza system might be appropriate for you.

What type of pain does the SCS not work for?

- Central pain of non-spinal cord origin
- Spinal cord injury with clinically complete loss of posterior column function
- Perineal or anorectal pain

If you have questions about whether the Senza system may be right for you, please ask your doctor.

What is reprogramming and how is this organised?

Your Nevro Representative will program three (3) initial settings into your Spinal Cord Stimulator (SCS) to test once you have been implanted. If these programs do not provide adequate pain relief, you can meet with your Nevro Representative in the doctor's clinic for optimization of your programming. To organise another reprogramming session, you can contact your Nevro Representative on 0488 845 285.

What medical scans or medical procedures can I have with my Spinal Cord Stimulator (SCS)?

If you are due to have any medical scans or procedures, you must tell your physicians and nurses that you have a Nevro SCS implanted in your body. You should also let your Nevro Representative know ahead of any medical procedure, so that they can advise what to do with your device.

There are certain precautions you need to take with a SCS implant before having medical procedures. For more detailed information, please refer your Patient Manual (p12-15). www.nevro.com/manuals

How long does the internal battery last?

What to do at EOL?

The device is designed to have a 10-year battery life, then a battery replacement will be required.

Who to contact if they need further information?

Your physician can contact your Nevro Representative on 0488 845 285.

Alternatively, your physician can access our Physician Manual on www.nevro.com/physicianmanuals which has detailed instruction on pre-procedure precautions.

Where can a GP learn more about the device?

You can learn more about Nevro HF10 Spinal Cord Stimulation by visiting <http://www.hf10.com/>. Alternatively, you can request patient information brochures from your Nevro Representative on 0488 845 285.