

## Information about your PATIENT IDENTIFICATION BRACELET







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## **DEAR PATIENT,**

Throughout your stay in our hospital, your safety is of our highest concern.

In order to make your stay even safer, we offer you a patient identification bracelet when you are admitted to your hospital, a procedure that is also recommended by the German Coalition for Patient Safety.

The bracelet is an additional means for our staff to identify you without doubt and at any time. This way, the patient bracelet makes up an important component of our concept for patient safety.

Only the following personal date will be legible on the bracelet: name, first name, date of birth, gender, and patient identification number (PIZ). In addition, your patient identification number will be printed on the bracelet in barcode. For reasons of privacy, your personal data will be printed on the bracelet in so small a font so that they cannot be read in passing.

The bracelet is to be kept on throughout the whole duration of your stay. You are free to move and to wash while wearing it. The patient identification bracelet is made from a compound plastic material. It is latex free as well as hypoallergenic. It is resistant to water and most common disinfectants. According to the standards for evaluating the biocompatibility of medical devices and skin compatibility (ISO 10993) it has been classified as non-hazardous. In case of your bracelet coming off or bothering you, please notify us immediately to receive a replacement.

## Wearing the bracelet is voluntary. If you do not wish to wear the bracelet it will be of no disadvantage to you.

The patient identification bracelet enables us to increase your safety during your entire treatment process, for example:

- When you are being taken from the ward to the operation theatre.
- When you are given medication.
- When you leave the ward for treatment or diagnostics.
- When you are transferred within the hospital.
- When you are given a blood transfusion or blood products.
- When you are unconscious.

We wish you a pleasant stay in our hospital.

*The Board of Directors, Medical Center – University of Freiburg*