



THE GREATER LANSING AREA CARE TRANSITIONS HEART FAILURE WORK GROUP

HEART FAILURE PASSPORT - PROVIDER “HOW-TO” GUIDE

Thank you for helping the Greater Lansing Area Heart Failure Work Group in our initiative to reduce avoidable rehospitalizations of heart failure patients. We have included several items with the Heart Failure Passport Tool Kit to assist you in implementation of the heart failure passport, including:

- **Implementation Guidelines Booklet** - This booklet walks you and your staff through the *My Heart Failure Patient Knowledge Passport*, including key teaching points to incorporate when utilizing the Passport with your heart failure patients.
- **My Heart Failure Knowledge Passport** - This passport is to be distributed to your heart failure patients. The passport has been developed based on the latest peer-reviewed research and refined based on feedback from a focus group of local heart failure patients. It has been written and designed to help your patients better manage their heart failure, and avoid unnecessary rehospitalizations.
- **Heart Failure Magnet** - The magnet is to be distributed along with the *My Heart Failure Patient Knowledge Passport*. Instruct patients to place the magnet in a prominent place to serve as a visible reminder of how to manage a change in their status.
- **Heart Failure Bookmark** - The bookmark is to be distributed along with the *My Heart Failure Patient Knowledge Passport*, and is designed to reinforce its messages.
- **Heart Failure Posters** - Use the posters to reinforce the availability of the *My Heart Failure Patient Knowledge Passport* to your patients. Please display in patient waiting areas or examination rooms.
- **A Message for the Healthcare Provider Brochure** – This brochure provides you with more comprehensive information regarding the passport. Please share this with any clinician who has contact with heart failure patients.

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