

Dear Dr XXXX

Your patient has been involved in DiPALS, a study of diaphragmatic pacing as an intervention to treat respiratory problems in motor neuron disease. The Data Monitoring and Ethics committee have advised that all patients should cease pacing immediately. They have indicated that at best pacing is of no benefit but may cause harm. We have enclosed a copy of the letter to participants regarding withdrawal of pacing. The study doctors at the local site will oversee withdrawal of pacing. It is not expected there will be any detrimental effect of doing this. No action is required from you and this communication is for information purposes only.

Yours sincerely

Local PI team