



## St John lifelink Medi-Alert / ID USB

Personal medical needs can be accessed by  
Emergency Personnel, Medical Practitioners and  
Services at the click of a mouse

St John Ambulance (Qld)  
total first aid solutions

The St John lifelink medi-alert USB stores client's vital information in case an emergency occurs outside of the home. Designed to be attached to a key chain and used by hospitals and paramedics, this unique USB device contains client's medical history, year of birth, and phone numbers for their doctor and emergency contact. No information that could be used to endanger the client or their emergency contact (for example home address or date of birth) is stored on the USB.

### Why are medi-alerts / IDs critical?

- Medical IDs effectively communicate a person's needs during an emergency and can eliminate the guess work in treating a person who cannot communicate.
- If a person cannot speak for themselves, a brief description of medical facts can ensure appropriate and timely care, eliminate trips to the hospital, reduce unnecessary hospital admissions and prevent minor emergencies from escalating.
- Medical IDs empower those living with chronic conditions or allergies and those taking a number of different medications to take control of their health.
- Medical IDs can reduce medical errors and reduce medical costs.
- A medical ID serves the same purpose as an SOS talisman, bracelet or necklace.

### Who should wear a medical ID?

Medical identifications can be an unexpected benefit in an emergency. Anyone living with chronic or rare medical conditions; people with food, drug or insect allergies; and those taking multiple medicines or blood thinners benefit from wearing a medical ID.

Some of the conditions and circumstances that warrant wearing a medical ID:

- Diabetes
- Cardiac problems and implants (*angina, atrial fibrillation, pacemakers*)
- Treatment with anticoagulants (*warfarin*)
- Drug allergies
- Food allergies (*such as peanut*)
- Insect allergies (*such as bee stings*)
- Alzheimer's disease, memory impairments
- Hypertension
- Stroke risk
- Pulmonary conditions (*asthma, COPD*)
- Kidney failure
- Emphysema, breathing disorders
- Blood disorders (*such as Anaemia*)
- Epilepsy, seizure disorders
- Hearing, visual or mental impairments
- Children with special needs (*such as Autism*)
- Surgery, transplant and cancer patients
- People taking multiple medicines
- Rare disease or blood type

**St John lifelink USB Medi Alerts will enable Medical Practitioners, HACC Agencies, Service Providers and Emergency Staff access your individual medical needs immediately.**

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