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INDEPENDENT LIVING SUPPLIES
Assisting independence with the latest technology

Support for



people living with

epilepsy



Did you know that we can provide equipment to monitor and support young people and adults living with epilepsy?

This can be at school, college, university, work and home during the day and night.

0300 999 2 999

www.care-line.co.uk

Did you know?

- Epilepsy is a serious neurological condition that can affect anyone at any age and from any walk of life.
- In the UK, 600,000 or one in every 103 people has epilepsy. Every day in the UK, 87 people are diagnosed with epilepsy
- One in every four people newly diagnosed with epilepsy is over the age of 65.
- Some people's seizures happen in response to triggers such as stress, excitement, boredom, missed medication or lack of sleep
- Most people with epilepsy can take part in the same activities as other children. Having a seizure monitor can help make activities such as swimming and cycling safer.

How we can help – 24/7 Control Room support

Herts Careline and our partners, Independent Living Supplies, have many years of experience providing epilepsy monitoring equipment to improve the lives of those living with the condition.

We will carry out a bespoke assessment to establish the correct type of monitoring equipment suitable for the individual, and will provide installation and training so that everyone fully understands how the equipment works.

The equipment will be linked to a parent or carers smart phone so they are aware when a seizure is occurring. It can also be linked to Herts Careline's Control Room for 24/7 support incase the individual needs emergency support.

Monitoring equipment offers many benefits:

- Safety, independence and freedom
- Improvements to sleep for the individual, family members and carer as worry is reduced at night
- Reduction in seizures as stress levels are eased
- More independence when travelling - locally and abroad
- Provides parents, carers and teachers with peace of mind
- Many of the solutions are modern and discreet in keeping with the latest technology and design
- We also provide discreet epilepsy monitoring solutions for the most challenging behaviour.



Help to monitor a wide variety of seizures

- Simple partial (jerking, muscle rigidity)
- Complex partial (involuntary but co-ordinated movements e.g. fidgeting, lip-smacking, walking)
- Generalised tonic-clonic (unconsciousness, shaking, body rigidity)
- Tonic (muscle rigidity, no movement/sound)
- Atonic (sudden lapse of muscle tone and collapse)
- Myoclonic (sporadic isolated muscle jerking of either the entire body or individual limbs)
- Absence (loss of awareness for several seconds to several minutes)
- The onset of potential SUDEP (Sudden Unexplained Death in Epilepsy)

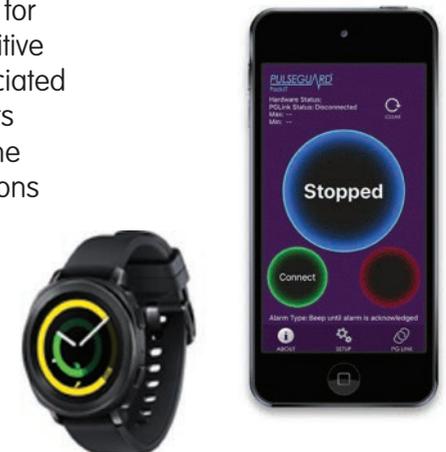


What we can offer

There are many different epilepsy monitoring solutions available and we can make it straightforward to choose the right product for the different types of seizures that present themselves, including:



A simple-to-use, waterproof watch worn for constant monitoring of the onset of repetitive shaking movements such as those associated with a convulsive seizure. It instantly alerts family, teachers, carers and Herts Careline 24/7 Control Centre in emergency situations



Guardian Monitor



Our most advanced epilepsy monitor is designed to support multiple seizure types and used by many schools, universities, hospitals and respite centres because of its easy integration and adaptability

Companion Bed Monitor



A bed based monitor for tonic-clonic seizures and convulsive seizures. Alerts go to a hand held pager with a range of 450m or can connect to a Care Alarm which will dial off-site for Herts Careline's 24/4 Control Centre.

Companion Mini

A small, digital movement sensor can be applied in some of the most challenging situations when supporting tonic-clonic seizures



Pock-iT

A wearable device designed for those with epilepsy whose seizure presents itself through a decreased or raised pulse rate.



Other complex needs services are available

We can also offer various other types of assistive technology and telecare equipment that support those living with a wide range of complex needs and learning disabilities. Further details can be found on our website www.care-line.co.uk or call 0300 999 2 999



Subsidised pricing

Our service need not be expensive. Our partnership with Hertfordshire County Council (HCC) gives customers a substantially discounted service. HCC meet the cost of the equipment, so families pay the service cost of:

- £10.85 per month for equipment not linked to Herts Careline's Control Centre
- £14.10 per month for equipment linked to Herts Careline's Control Centre

How to receive the service

**Referrals can be made to us via
an Epilepsy Nurse or other health
or social care professional.**

Visit: www.care-line.co.uk

Email: CarelineSupport@north-herts.gov.uk

Call: **0300 999 2 999**

and we'll take you through the process



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