

**SAIF is delighted to work with Pace4Life, a charity which promotes the collection and reuse of pacemakers for people in the developing world.**



Pace4Life's mission is to make a lasting impact in the health and well being of people in developing countries by reusing pacemakers which are currently thrown away as waste. Their goal is to facilitate the collection of used pacemakers from hospitals, funeral homes/crematoriums and mortuaries. Pace4Life will assess the pacemakers' viability for reuse or recycling. To find out more about the work of Pace4Life and the recycling of pacemakers, download this document [SAIF Pace4Life Reuse & Recycling of Pacemakers 20 Sept 2013](#).

## **The process of reusing pacemakers**

1. Consent is gained from the family. This can be for Recycling only or for Reuse /Recycling.
2. The pacemaker is removed and cleaned.
3. If consent is for Recycling only, the metals are removed from the pacemaker for recycling and Pace4Life receive a rebate.
4. If consent is for Reuse/Recycling, the pacemaker is tested to check the life of battery remaining. If less than 70% of battery life is left, Step 3 is followed. If more than 70% of the battery's life remains, the pacemaker may be used in surgery to help a patient.

## **As a funeral director, how can you help?**

1. Gain consent from the family. Use this [Pacemaker Donation](#) Form
2. Follow the [Pacemaker Recovery Instructions](#).
3. Make a note of the deceased's name and pacemaker registration number (printed on the pacemaker) for your records.
4. Pack the Pacemakers and donation forms in a cardboard carton, or large padded envelope with sufficient cushioning and address it for the attention of:

Pace4Life

c/o Anstey & District Funeral Services

Talbott House, Leicester Rd,

Anstey

Leicester LE7 7AT.

5. Email: John Kersley at Advance Sales UK on [advancesalesuk@aol.com](mailto:advancesalesuk@aol.com) with the heading 'PACEMAKER COLLECTION PLEASE'



Packages up to 10kg in weight are £10.00 plus fuel surcharge at 10 per cent and VAT giving a total cost of just £13.20 anywhere within the UK.