

Pacemaker and ICD patients are ok for Burial. They do not require either device to be De-activated

Pacemaker must NOT be cremated – simply remove the device beforehand

ICD/Defibrillator **MUST** be De-activated Before its Removed prior to cremation or a Post Mortem

What to do

If you come across a patient with an implanted device, you must identify if it is an ICD or pacemaker.

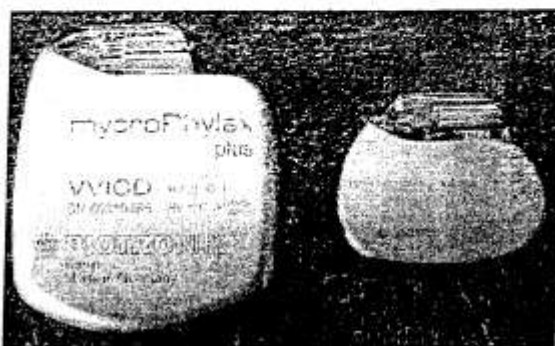
- Check with the family or if patient has a device registration card
- GP patient records
- Contact the implanting hospital/ICD clinic

If Pacemaker – ok to remove without further action

If it is known to be an ICD or if any doubt - do not remove the device - contact the implanting hospital or where patient attends ICD clinic

Cardiac Physiologist will liaise with you to attend at earliest convenience to de-activate the device

Picture of ICD (left) Pacemaker (right)



ICD & Pacemaker ID Card

