

Phonak Lyric™ self-replacement candidacy.

(to be completed at least 3 months after first Lyric fitting)

This form is designed to help you decide who will be a self-replacement candidate taking into account the health of the ears and the lifestyle of your patient. This is an additional form for people who are considering self-replacement. Please review the original Lyric candidacy form in conjunction with this one when assessing your patient.

Patient name:

Patient No.:

Date:

DOB:

Ear health

Please assess the overall health of your patient's ears after the first 3 months of wearing Lyric

Ear health contraindications for self-replacement

Repeated ear health conditions (not moisture related) e.g., small hematoma irritation Yes No

Delicate skin prone to abrasions Yes No

Excessive wax that needs to be removed at every replacement Yes No

Ok to proceed with self-replacement Yes No

Difficulty remembering or choosing the right word

Impaired recognition of familiar people or objects

Episodes of poor or uncharacteristic decision making

Impaired abstract thinking that interferes with complex tasks

Agitated or inappropriate moods or behaviors

If any of the above are checked, do not proceed with self-replacement, but continue to fit Lyric with the HCP replacement model of care.

Please consider referring the patient, either back to their general practitioner (Dr) or to a specialist for a second opinion.

Mobility

Please assess that your patient is able to remove and insert the Lyric safely and independently. If arm mobility or hand dexterity is compromised this may be a contraindication.

Dexterity Yes No

Comments:

Arm movement (able to reach ear) Yes No

Comments:

Ok to proceed with self-replacement Yes No

Screening test performed Yes No

Screening test passed Yes No

Ok to proceed with self-replacement Yes No

Outcome

If the Ear health, Mobility or Cognition section have been assessed as No, then the patient is not a self-replacement candidate but can continue with the standard HCP replacement model of care.

Lifestyle considerations:

Please consider your patient's lifestyle. While this is not something that would contraindicate self-replacement certain activities may make self-replacement a more attractive option. Here are a sample of questions that you can ask to determine this.

Do you frequently undertake long distance travel? Yes No

How far away do you live from the hearing clinic?
Less than 45 minutes away

Over than 45 minutes away

Do you swim and /or perform water related sports regularly? Yes No

Cognition

Please consider performing a cognition screening test to assess if your patient will be able to follow the self-replacement guidelines for insertion. The following questions can serve as a screening:

Check all that are present:

Frequent forgetfulness that interferes with daily functioning

Episodes of confusion to time and place

Difficulty performing everyday tasks

Self-replacement proficiency checklist

Before attempting self-replacement at home, your patient should be able to independently:

- Self-remove Lyric devices
- Identify Lyric landmarks and seal characteristics
- Turn Lyric on using SoundLync
- Place Lyric into ear canal opening with correct orientation
- Position hand correctly for device insertion
- Insert device slowly
- Identify correct insertion depth by sound and feeling
- Feel confident and comfortable with self-replacement process

HCP Procedure

Confirm patient has worn Lyric for 3 or more months.

Introduce idea of self-replacement and complete initial candidacy – prepare patient for longer appointment next visit.

Teach patient how to do self-replacement while still wearing existing devices then have patient remove and practice.

Observe patient and determine next step (use above checklist to guide your decision).

Patient is confident and demonstrates proficiency. OK to proceed with self-replacement at home.

OR

Patient shows promise, but needs more practice. Schedule another training appointment.

OR

Patient has extreme difficulty with self-replacement. Reconsider if this patient is eligible.