

**NEUROPHYSIOLOGIC MONITORING (IONM)?** 

Intraoperative Neurophysiologic Monitoring (IONM) consists of a set of tests performed during your surgery. These tests are aimed at monitoring the status of your nervous system and muscles the neuromuscular system. They are intended to detect changes in neurologic function to provide guidance to the surgical team.



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WHAT IS INTRAOPERATIVE NEUROPHYSIOLOGIC MONITORING (IONM)?

#### WHY IS IONM IMPORTANT?

- IONM provides your surgeon with insight into the status of your neuromuscular system during your surgery.
- IONM allows our expert clinicians to detect changes in your neurologic status, which will be reported to the surgical team for quick action, if necessary.

## WHAT SHOULD YOU EXPECT THE DAY OF YOUR SURGERY?

- You will be greeted by one of our Surgical Neurophysiologists prior to your surgery. They will help you understand more about IONM and afford you an opportunity to ask any questions that you may have.
- After you are asleep under anesthesia, our Surgical Neurophysiologist will place specialized sensors at select locations on your body (such as your scalp, arms, and legs). These sensors will continuously monitor the status of your neuromuscular system and transmit that information to the Surgical Neurophysiologist.
- The Surgical Neurophysiologist works in conjunction with a remote Supervising Physician who simultaneously monitors and interprets these signals in real-time.
- When the surgery is complete, all the sensors are removed prior to you waking from anesthesia.



# WHAT TYPE OF TRAINING DO NEURO ALERT SURGICAL NEUROPHYSIOLOGISTS HAVE?

Neuro Alert's Surgical Neurophysiologists have been rigorously trained and evaluated in the most advanced neurophysiological monitoring techniques. The Neuro Alert Surgical Neurophysiology training program was developed by Dr. T.V. Seshan, a pioneer in the field of IONM.

For any additional questions regarding IONM, please contact **Neuro Alert** at **(888) 787-NAMS (6267)** 

Q. Does insurance cover the cost of IONM?

A. Yes, insurance covers the cost.

#### Q. Will I owe anything?

A. The only amount for which you are responsible is the portion applied to your deductible or any amount sent to you by your insurance company.

#### Q. What if I receive a check?

A. Should you receive a check from your insurance company, we ask that you please endorse it and forward it to the Neuro Alert Billing Office at 399 Knollwood Road, Suite 108, White Plains, NY 10603.

### Q. Can I pay my bill online?

A. Yes, E-pay is available. To pay online, please visit: **neuroalert.com/pay-my-bill** 

If you have any additional inquiries, please contact the Neuro Alert **Billing Office at (914) 358-5845.**