# Symptom & Visit Tracker

To help people with an interstitial lung disease (ILD) prepare for each appointment



Track your:

- activities and exercise
- oxygen use
- symptoms/changes
   observed over time
- lab results

You play an important role on your healthcare team. Together, you will collaborate to monitor your test results, supplemental oxygen use, symptoms, and overall health to detect any changes that may signal the need for pulmonary hypertension (PH) testing.

**Use the Symptom & Visit Tracker** to carefully track your symptoms and share with your healthcare team. Because symptoms of an ILD can closely resemble those of PH, symptom tracking is especially important.

### Symptoms | Activities

Record observations since your last visit, like activities you were able to perform and how you were feeling (be specific; include dates if possible).

New symptoms (include date on which you noticed each new symptom):

Symptoms that became worse:

Changes in activity levels (be specific; include dates if possible):

Change in supplemental oxygen use (include specifics like dates of the change[s] and your activities at the time):

#### **Additional notes**

Visit Notes | Next Appointments | Doctor Recommendations | Your Questions—Doctor Answers

## **Testing Tracker**

<ul> <li>Pulmonary Function</li> <li>Test Results</li> <li>Lung capacity (FVC) tells how much air you can blow out</li> <li>Diffusion capacity (DL<sub>co</sub>) measures how much air moves from lungs into your bloodstream</li> </ul>	Exercise Test Results 6-minute walk test and other exercise tests to assess exercise capacity and oxygen levels	<ul> <li>Imaging Results</li> <li>Detailed lung scan (HRCT) to assess lung scarring</li> <li>Right heart Echo to monitor any changes in the size, shape, or function of your heart</li> </ul>	Blood Test Results Markers (called BNP or NT-proBNP) that indicate how much strain your heart is under
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#### **Other suggested questions**

Am I walking shorter distances during exercise tests? \_\_\_\_\_

Did my oxygen saturation (SpO<sub>2</sub>) change during my most recent exercise tests? If so, how?

Was the right side of my heart evaluated on my most recent Echo? If yes, can you explain the results?

In general, are there changes in my lab results that suggest I should be tested for PH?

BNP=B-type natriuretic peptide; DL<sub>co</sub>=diffusing capacity of the lungs for carbon monoxide; Echo=echocardiogram; FVC=forced vital capacity; HRCT=high-resolution computed tomography; NT-proBNP=N-terminal pro-B-type natriuretic peptide; PH-ILD=pulmonary hypertension associated with interstitial lung disease.

