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### **ADHD CARDIAC SCREENING**

Stimulant medications are generally the first line of medications used to treat ADHD. The following questions serve as a cardiac risk assessment in the event that your child is diagnosed with ADHD and stimulant medications are part of their treatment program.

The following questions pertain to symptoms in your child:

| Symptom                                  | No | Yes - explain |
|------------------------------------------|----|---------------|
| Fainting or dizziness                    |    |               |
| Seizures                                 |    |               |
| Diagnosis of rheumatic fever             |    |               |
| Noticeable changes in exercise tolerance |    |               |
| Heart palpitations                       |    |               |
| High blood pressure                      |    |               |
| Viral illness with chest pain            |    |               |

The following questions pertain to family history:

| Symptom                                          | No | Yes - explain |
|--------------------------------------------------|----|---------------|
| Sudden death or heart event before the age of 35 |    |               |
| Sudden death during exercise                     |    |               |
| Cardiac arrhythmias like Wolff-Parkinson-White   |    |               |
| Cardiomyopathy                                   |    |               |
| Dilated cardiomyopathy                           |    |               |

If any of the above questions are answered with a yes, a cardiac screening with at least an ECG or rhythm check will be recommended before medications are started.

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