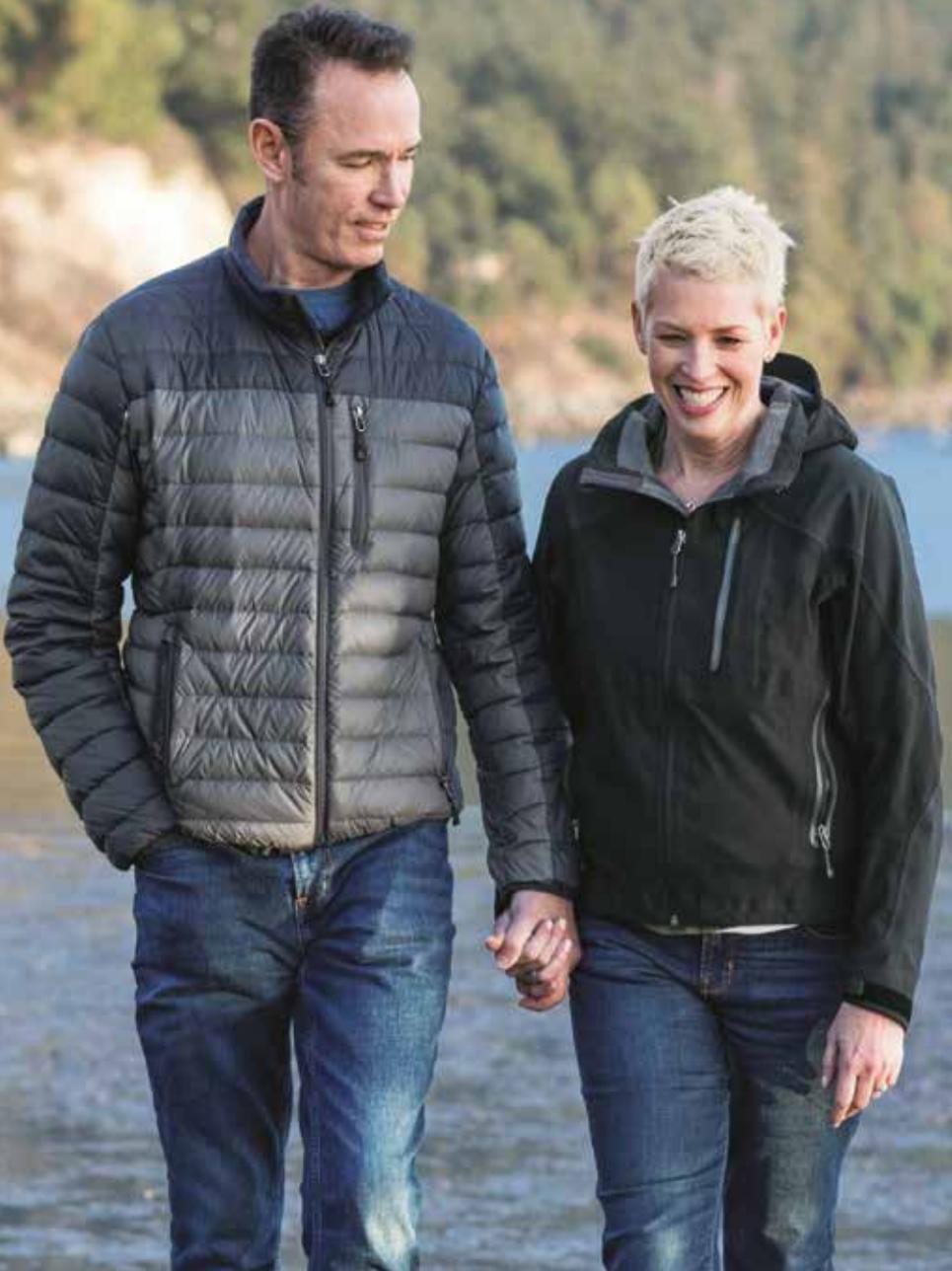
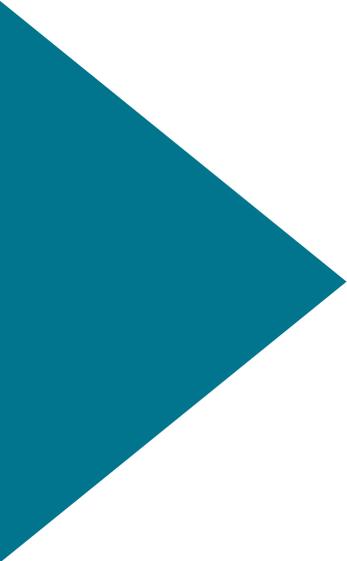




## Time Matters. Why Wait?

Pain Relief in Minutes That Lasts for Years





# It's time to find relief.

In life, every moment counts.

The time you spend doing the things you love with the people you love is the most precious of all. And if chronic pain has taken those moments away from you, it's time to take them back.

While some pain therapies are slow to take effect, and may only provide temporary relief, Boston Scientific offers something different. Our spinal cord stimulation (SCS) pain management system is proven to provide relief you feel in minutes that lasts for years.

It can be personalized to treat your unique pain, with options to suit your particular lifestyle. And together with our dedicated, ongoing care and support services, it can help you make time to be yourself again.

**Time matters. So, let's get started.**



A woman with short brown hair, wearing a blue long-sleeved shirt and a black and white striped apron, is smiling warmly at the camera while standing in a kitchen. She is leaning over a counter, and her hands are near a green bowl with a floral pattern. In the foreground, another person's hands are visible, holding a wooden cutting board with a white egg and several red tomatoes. The background shows a kitchen with light-colored tiled walls and a window with blinds.

**“My kids have  
just been so excited  
to see mom get  
back into life again.”**

**-Karen M.**

*See Karen's story at [Pain.com/RealStories](https://www.Pain.com/RealStories)*



# Boston Scientific offers you personalized pain relief and dedicated care.

Our spinal cord stimulation (SCS) is:

- Safe
- Drug-free
- FDA-approved
- Clinically proven to provide long-term relief from chronic pain<sup>1</sup>

Boston Scientific's WaveWriter Alpha™ Spinal Cord Stimulator (SCS) System goes beyond other therapy options to provide personalized pain management for your unique pain. With our dedicated care and support services, we'll help you find a solution that best fits your needs while delivering long-lasting relief.



**100K+  
PEOPLE**

## WORLDWIDE SUCCESS

Thousands of people across the globe look to Boston Scientific's SCS therapy for long-term, drug-free, FDA-approved pain relief.

# SCS works by targeting your pain signals.

You feel pain when nerves send pain signals through your spinal cord to your brain. SCS is designed to interrupt these signals to reduce - or even stop - the pain you are feeling.



## Stimulator

A small device called a stimulator is implanted under the skin.



## Leads

Thin, flexible leads are connected to the stimulator and placed near specific nerves along the spinal cord.



## Pulses

The stimulator sends mild pulses through the leads to the nerves.

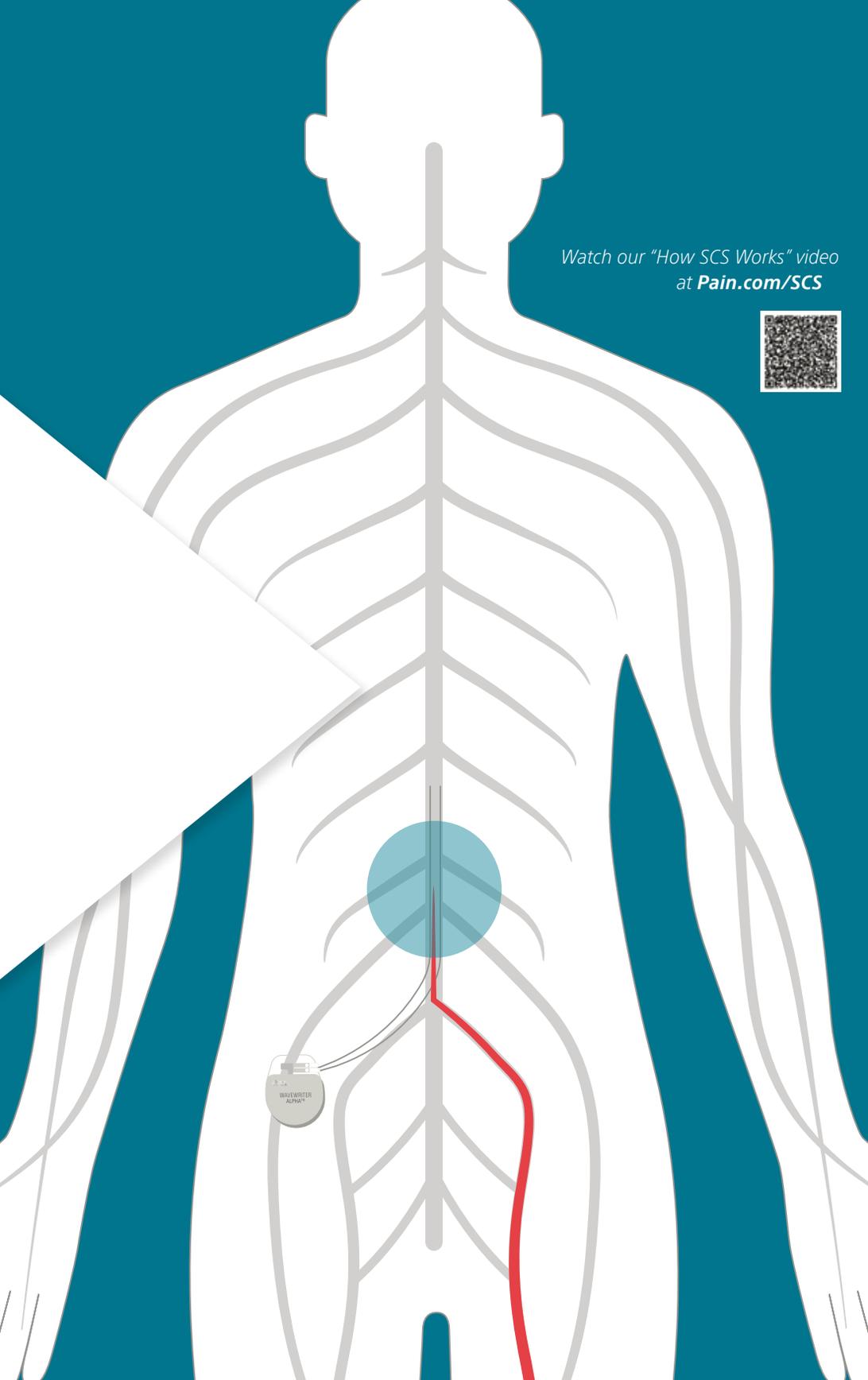


## Pain

The pulses interrupt the pain signals before they reach the brain.



Watch our "How SCS Works" video  
at [Pain.com/SCS](http://Pain.com/SCS)





“I really feel that my pain relief has been personalized to me just because of the different settings that I have with my stimulator.”

—Gregory G.

See Gregory's story at [Pain.com/RealStories](https://Pain.com/RealStories)



## Personalized therapy gives you greater relief.

There are different kinds of SCS therapies.

One type of therapy masks your pain with a tingling sensation. Another uses a type of stimulation you don't feel at all.

With Boston Scientific, you can choose the therapy that works best for you—or use both therapies at the same time.

The ability to deliver multiple therapies simultaneously is unique to Boston Scientific SCS Systems and has been clinically proven to provide greater pain relief compared to other SCS systems that only deliver one therapy at a time.<sup>1</sup>

# Relief in minutes that lasts for years...

Only Boston Scientific SCS Systems offer FAST™ Therapy, which is designed to provide profound relief in minutes. A study of real-world data showed that patients who preferred FAST Therapy sustained pain relief out to two years.<sup>4</sup>

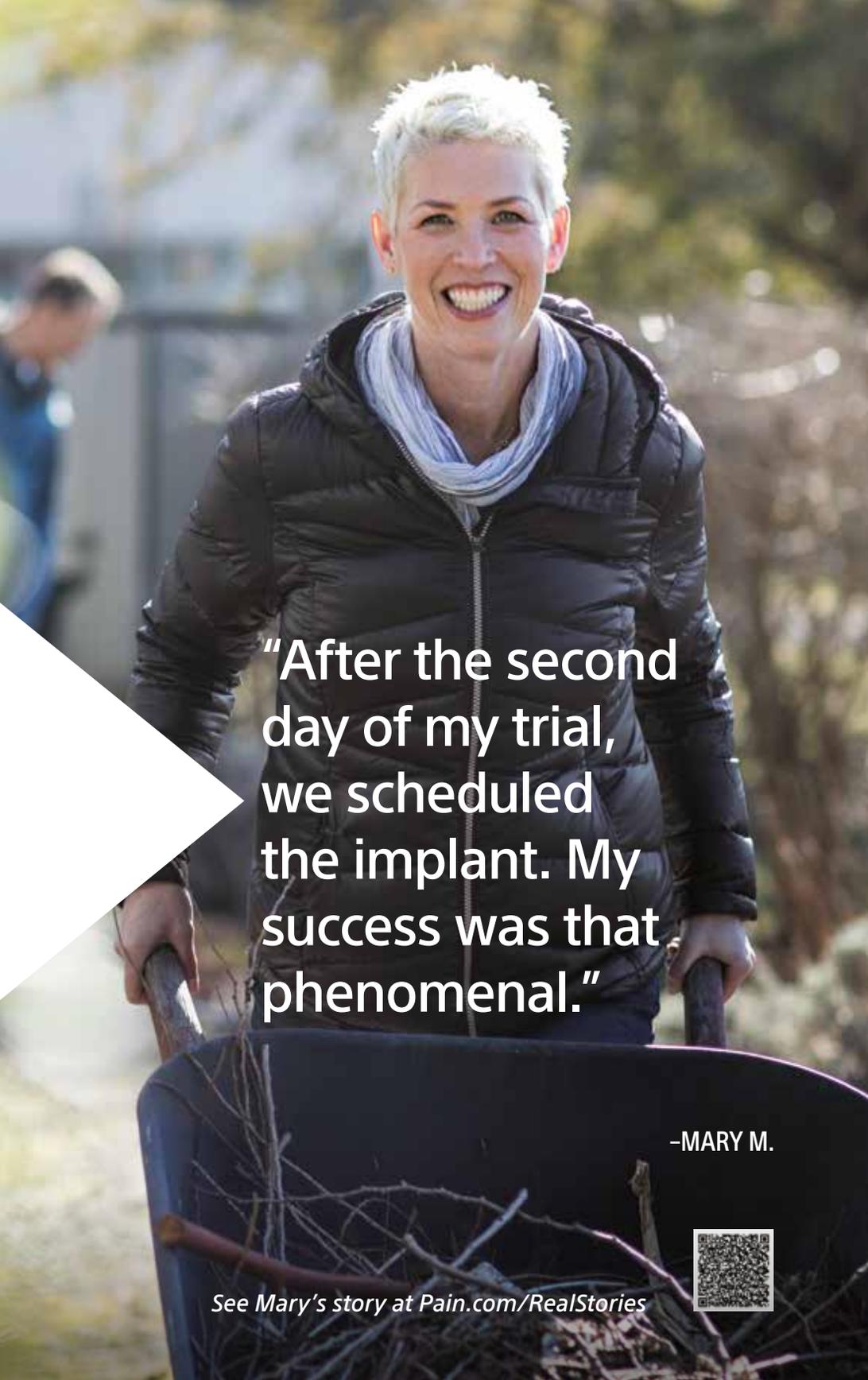
## ...so you can make time for everyday life.

In a major clinical study, patients using Boston Scientific's SCS therapies reported a greater than expected improvement in their ability to do everyday activities\* after two years, while patients in other studies using non-Boston Scientific SCS systems reported lower levels of improvement after three months.<sup>1,2,3</sup>

\*As measured by the  
Oswestry Disability Index (ODI).

## Improved Ability to do Everyday Activities





**"After the second  
day of my trial,  
we scheduled  
the implant. My  
success was that  
phenomenal."**

**-MARY M.**

*See Mary's story at [Pain.com/RealStories](https://www.Pain.com/RealStories)*



# You can test drive SCS first to see if it's right for you.

Before committing to SCS therapy, you get to evaluate it first with a temporary trial system.

The trial process:

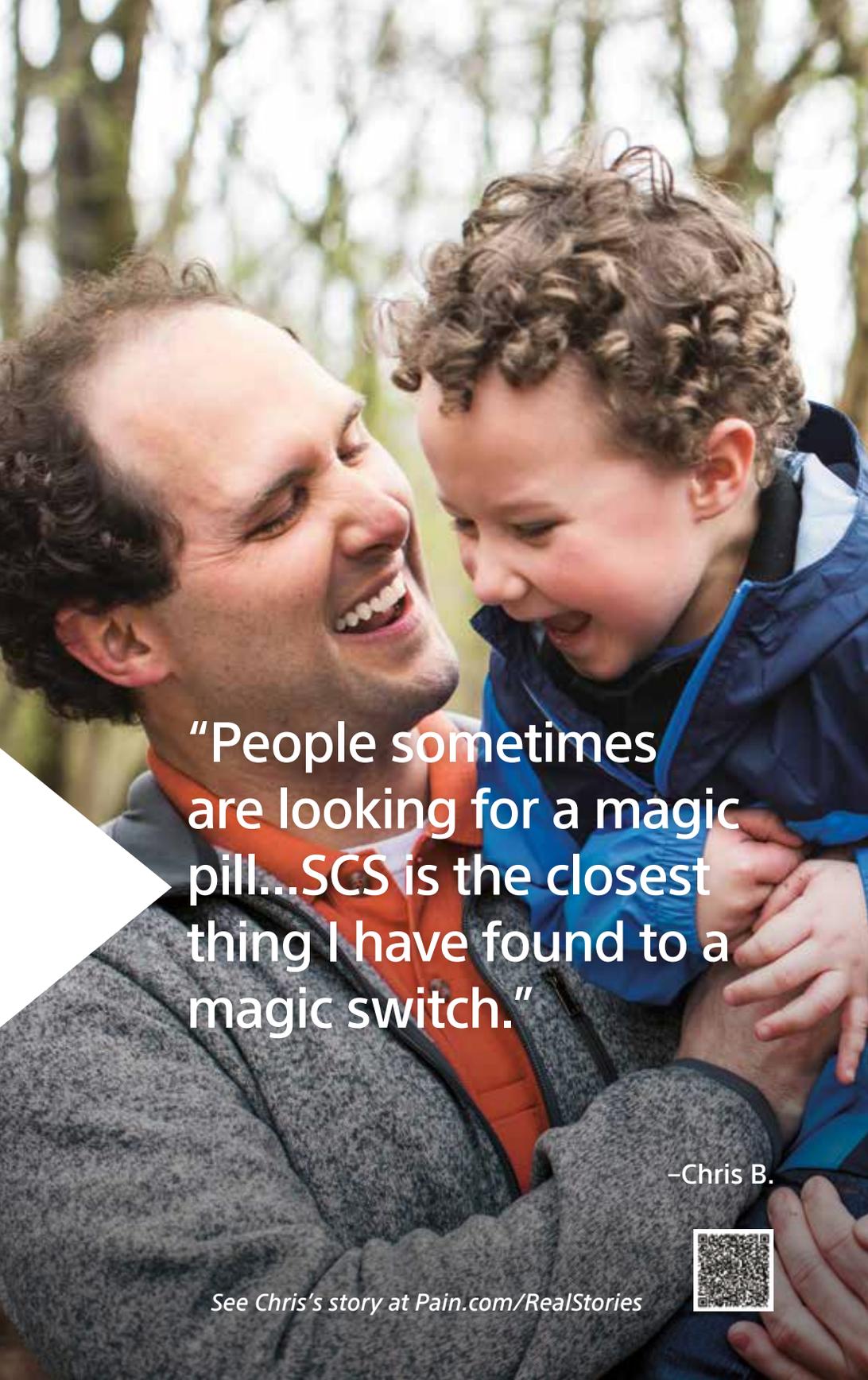
- 1 Your doctor places the leads with a simple procedure similar to an epidural injection.
- 2 The leads are connected to an external trial stimulator that's usually worn on your waist.
- 3 For up to 7 days, you can test drive the benefits of SCS. Using Boston Scientific's innovative mySCS™ App, you can set personal goals, track your daily progress, and connect with your Care Team.



**90+%** SUCCESS

## SUCCESSFUL TRIALS

More than 90% of Boston Scientific SCS trial participants reported a successful experience and opted to get the permanent implant.<sup>5</sup>

A photograph of a man and a young boy with curly hair smiling and hugging outdoors. The man is on the left, wearing a grey jacket over an orange shirt. The boy is on the right, wearing a blue jacket. They are both looking at each other and smiling. The background is a blurred outdoor setting with trees.

“People sometimes  
are looking for a magic  
pill...SCS is the closest  
thing I have found to a  
magic switch.”

-Chris B.

See Chris's story at [Pain.com/RealStories](https://www.pain.com/RealStories)



## After a successful trial, you can move on to the implant.

During the implant procedure, the stimulator is placed under your skin, usually in your lower back or buttock area.

The procedure is reversible and much less invasive than traditional back surgeries.

Generally, patients experience significant results and only minor discomfort after the implant procedure. Your doctor and dedicated Boston Scientific Clinical Specialist will then work closely together to program the system, targeting your pain with the therapy that works best for you.



"The pain in my left foot is much worse than my right. [With my] Boston Scientific stimulator...I can have more stimulation in my left foot."

-Neil D.

See Neil's story at [Pain.com/RealStories](https://Pain.com/RealStories)

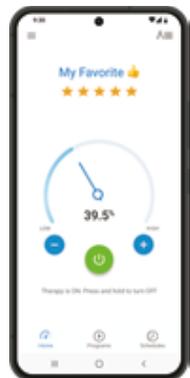


# You take control of your relief.

Your SCS system includes the mySCS™ GO Therapy Controller, a discrete, easy to use remote control that makes personalizing and adjusting your SCS therapy settings simple, safe, and secure.\*

Your doctor and your Boston Scientific Clinical Specialist will show you how to use it.

You'll be able to turn therapies on and off, increase and decrease the level of stimulation, and target different pain areas using settings or programs customized specifically for you.



**95%**  
recommend

## PATIENT SATISFACTION

9 out of 10 Boston Scientific SCS patients said they were satisfied with their therapy and 95% would recommend it to others.<sup>5</sup>

\*For a list of compatible devices, visit [www.myscsjourney.com/mySCSGO](http://www.myscsjourney.com/mySCSGO)

# We're here to support you — every step of the way.

Pain is dynamic. It changes over time. The key to finding lasting relief is combining personalized therapy with ongoing, dedicated care and support.

That's why, in addition to SCS therapy, Boston Scientific also provides a range of innovative tools and personalized support services to help you learn, connect, and thrive.

**Learn** more about your therapy options — how they work and what to expect

**Connect** with specialists who will help you every step of the way

**Thrive** with dedicated, ongoing care and support to help you maintain lasting pain relief

Visit [Pain.com/Care](https://www.bostonscientific.com/Pain/Care) to learn more about the dedicated care you can expect to experience before, during, and after your procedure.



# Frequently Asked Questions



## What types of pain can SCS help manage?

You will find a full list of indications on the back of this brochure. SCS is used to manage a range of different types of neuropathic pain in the back, legs, and feet, including:

- Failed Back Surgery Syndrome (FBSS)
- Complex Regional Pain Syndrome (CRPS)
- Diabetic Peripheral Neuropathy (DPN) of the lower extremities
- Other types of intractable back pain



## Is SCS covered by insurance?

Yes, SCS is covered by most health insurance plans, including Medicare, commercial payers, and most workers' compensation programs. Your doctor and their office staff will provide your insurance company with the necessary documentation needed to complete preauthorization.



## Can I get an MRI with a stimulator?

Yes, the Boston Scientific WaveWriter Alpha™ SCS System allows for full-body MRIs and a range of other imaging procedures, including x-rays, CT scans, PET scans, and ultrasounds.



## Is the procedure reversible?

Yes, both the trial system and the implant are reversible.



## Will I need to recharge my stimulator?

The WaveWriter Alpha SCS System is available with either a rechargeable or non-rechargeable stimulator.

Your doctor will help you choose the best option for you. If you have a rechargeable stimulator, you decide on a recharging schedule that best fits your needs. Charging the device is a simple process. You can do it while reading, watching TV, or even walking around the block.



## Can I use SCS while driving?

Yes, the Boston Scientific WaveWriter Alpha SCS System includes therapy options you can use while driving.



## Can I use SCS while I sleep?

Yes, you can use the Boston Scientific WaveWriter Alpha SCS System while you sleep.

Find more answers and information at [Pain.com](http://Pain.com)



# Here's how you can learn more about SCS from Boston Scientific.



Talk to your pain management physician.



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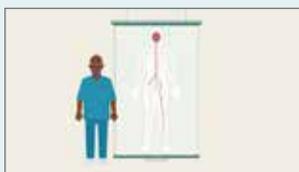
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# Watch these videos online at [Pain.com/SCS](https://Pain.com/SCS)



Watch as our own Kira Trexler, a Boston Scientific Clinical Specialist, Registered Nurse, and an SCS patient herself, describes the Top 5 Things to Know About SCS.



This engaging animation explains How SCS Works and how you can find out if it may work for you.



# Take a moment to learn more about SCS from Boston Scientific. Visit Pain.com or talk to your doctor.

The patient quotes in this brochure describe real personal experiences. Individual results may vary. Patients can experience different levels of pain management and different changes in their activities and use of medications. Consult with your physician to determine if you are a candidate for SCS therapy and what you may gain from the therapy. Results from different clinical investigations are not directly comparable. Information provided for educational purposes only.

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**Indications for Use:** The Boston Scientific Spinal Cord Stimulator Systems are indicated as an aid in the management of chronic intractable pain of the trunk and/or limbs including unilateral or bilateral pain associated with the following: failed back surgery syndrome, Complex Regional Pain Syndrome (CRPS) Types I and II, intractable low back pain and leg pain, Diabetic Peripheral Neuropathy of the lower extremities, radicular pain syndrome, radiculopathies resulting in pain secondary to failed back syndrome or herniated disc, epidural fibrosis, degenerative disc disease (herniated disc pain refractory to conservative and surgical interventions), arachnoiditis, multiple back surgeries. The Boston Scientific Spectra WaveWriter™, WaveWriter Alpha™ and WaveWriter Alpha™ Prime SCS Systems are also indicated as an aid in the management of chronic intractable unilateral or bilateral low back and leg pain without prior back surgery.

**Contraindications.** The Spinal Cord Stimulator systems are not for patients who are unable to operate the system, have failed trial stimulation by failing to receive effective pain relief, are poor surgical candidates, or are pregnant.



Boston Scientific's ImageReady™ MRI Technology makes safe MRI head scans possible. Patients implanted with the Precision Spectra™ or Spectra WaveWriter™ Spinal Cord Stimulator Systems with ImageReady™ MRI Technology are "MR Conditional" only when exposed to the MRI environment under the specific conditions defined in the applicable ImageReady™ MRI Head Only Guidelines for Precision Spectra™ or Spectra WaveWriter™ Spinal Cord Stimulator Systems.



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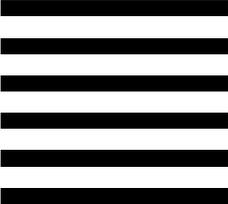
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