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**Subject:** Cell Phones and "right to Know"

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Dear Erica and Matt:

My wife, Jacqueline, just came out of the CPMC hospital in San Francisco, with a broken femur, a broken kneecap, a prosthesis which popped out of place, atrial fib and atrial flutter, in addition to congestive heart failure-CHF.

Last Thursday, Jacqueline had a special pacemaker suitable for MRI's implanted into her chest and she received information from the cardiologist, after the implant on special conditions about using the pacemaker.

Nowhere at no time did any of the healthcare professionals at CPMC notify my wife about the dangers of using her cell phone, next to her pacemaker or carrying it on her body, as recommended against by FDA, in a 2000 notification about patient harm.

It was buried in the brochure and manual with print size so small "mouse print" that it was impossible for myself or her to read in this large booklet, if we even bothered to read the manual, as it was unreadable for any senior with glaucoma, macular degeneration or any eyesight impairment, as most seniors have.

8 years ago, PPSI petitioned FTC regarding "mouse print" in ads and brochures, both in advertising and in print for information for consumers and patients and was told that the warnings need to be in readable print size for seniors and folks with eye diseases, as stated above.

I also have a defibrillator made by Medtronic, that was put in 3 years ago, after quadruple bypass surgery and nowhere at no time, did my cardiologist advise me of carrying my cell phone in my shirt pocket next to my defibrillator.

Yesterday, in the SF District Federal court, a lawsuit was heard by Judge Edward Chen, US District Judge, regarding CTIA-the wireless Association vs. City of Berkeley, on this issue of the **"right to know" regarding cell phones causing harm and do patients and consumers have a right to know about this risk, especially to children, elderly, people with pacemakers, defibrillators and consumers ?**

**I am sending you copies of the 3 articles and I would like you to look at the "mouse print" and the unavailability of warnings notices in cell phones, as I just received a Verizon phone and it's almost impossible to find the right to know information, required by FDA, on cell phone safety, with my defibrillator or my wife's pacemaker.**

<http://www.sfgate.com/bayarea/article/Judge-suggests-he-may-side-with-most-of-6456531.php>

Please advise.

Best,

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