



# CI Maintenance Tips Handout

1. **Wear your sound processor all day** (minus sleeping, water activities and contact sports).
2. **Clean hands** will help keep the inside and outside casing clean.
3. **During activities** where you could lose your sound processor, either remove it or use the safety line provided.
4. Most sound processors are **NOT waterproof**. Don't wear it in the shower or in the pool. Use an umbrella in rainy conditions.
5. **In high humidity or with heavy perspiration**, use a Dry Aid Kit to maintain your sound processor.
6. Your sound processor **cannot withstand extreme temperatures**.
7. **Use the cleaning wipe and the brush** on a regular basis to clean the sound processor and the snap.
8. **Always cover your sound processor** when using products like hair spray to avoid damaging the microphone or the casing. You can also remove the sound processor entirely.
9. **For safe storage**, remove the battery and place the sound processor in its case.
10. **Remove the sound processor before an MRI scan**. For those with the **Baha Connect System** (abutment), the implant and abutment can remain in place. For those with the **Baha Attract System** (internal magnet), the internal implant is approved for up to 1.5 Tesla; inform the clinician of your internal implant at time of scheduling an MRI appointment.
11. **Avoid setting off metal detectors** during security screenings by removing your sound processor. An MRI/Security control instructions card is included with your sound processor and provides security personnel with more information.
12. **Change your microphone protectors** once every three months, or sooner if you live in a high humidity environment, perspire frequently, or notice degradation in sound quality
13. **If you have a back-up sound processor, make sure it is properly programmed.**

