The type of shunt I have is:

☐ VP shunt

☐ Nonprogrammable (fixed pressure):
  ☐ Low ☐ Medium ☐ High

☐ Programmable (adjustable):
  Manufacturer/Type:
  _______________________
  Pressure Setting:
  _______________________

☐ VA shunt

☐ Other: ___________________

Implant date: ____________

Get medical attention right away if you have:

• Vomiting
• Headaches
• Personality changes
• Fatigue (feeling unusually tired or weak)
• Trouble staying awake
• Loss of balance
• Swelling or redness along your shunt path

These may be signs that your shunt is not working properly.

If not treated, these can cause severe neurological problems or even death.

Notes: ___________________
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MRI scanners may change the setting of your programmable shunt. The shunt may need to be reprogrammed after each MRI.

*Ask your neurosurgeon if your shunt needs to be checked and reprogrammed after MRI scans.

My shunt is:
- [ ] MRI Conditional
- [ ] MRI Resistant up to 3.0 Tesla

Notes: __________________________ __________________________ __________________________

Before your MRI:
Arrange for shunt reprogramming after your MRI if needed.

On the day of your MRI:
Tell the MRI staff that you have a programmable VP shunt.

The shunt should be reprogrammed within 4 hours after your MRI.

Do not have the MRI if no one is available to reprogram your shunt.

My MSK doctor can be reached at 212-639-2000.

Hydrocephalus with shunt

Name:

Neurosurgeon:

Neurosurgeon's Phone:

Emergency contact

Name:

Relation:

Phone: