LVAD Do's and Don'ts:

<u>Do's:</u>

- Ensure the patient has their back up controller and 2 fully charged extra batteries with them
- Do protect the controller and batteries from dropping at all times
- Do call 911 and the VAD emergency line (see below) if your patient is in the need of emergency care
- LVAD patients can get CPR and defibrillation if needed

Don'ts

- Don't attempt to change the controller out
- Don't get the controller or driveline wet
- Don't pull, twist, or kink the driveline
- Don't disconnect all power sources at once (only one at a time)
- Don't remove the driveline for any reason unless instructed by the VAD team at Strong



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or

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