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**FAA Specifications for Mitral Valve Repair**

Please provide a current status report (clinical summary) regarding the history of mitral valve repair for your patient. Please note that the FAA requires that the MVR was performed 5 or more years ago and only for primary mitral valve disease (not secondary MR or functional MR due to coronary heart disease, MI, ischemic disease, or cardiomyopathy).

* The report should include the following, that your patient:
* is asymptomatic and stable
* has no other current cardiac conditions (although successful ablation treatment for Atrial Fibrillation is allowed)
* has not developed any new conditions, arrhythmias, or complications that would affect cardiac function
* requires no more than a routine annual follow-up
* No additional surgery is anticipated or recommended
* Please also verify that there is no history of:
* Connective tissue disorder (Marfan’s or Ehlers-Danlos, etc.)
* Lung disease: COPD (moderate or higher), or pulmonary HTN
* Other cardiac disease (e.g. Congestive Heart Failure, ischemia, other valve disease, etc.)
* Please provide an echocardiogram report that was performed within the last 24 months, to show that mitral valve regurgitation (if present) is classified as mild, and that there are no other abnormalities such as:
* Dilated aorta greater than 4 cm
* Hypertrophic cardiomyopathy or other cardiomyopathy
* Left Atrial Enlargement
* Regurgitation of any valve moderate or higher
* Structural abnormalities (dilated ventricle, atria, etc.)

Please do not hesitate to contact our office if you have any questions regarding this request.

Thank you.