# **EndoStom** Success Story Endostim Inc.

Key milestones on our way to securing market access in Germany

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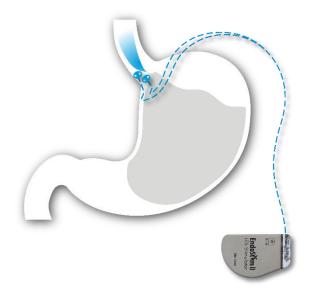
#### EndoStim Therapy

Neurostimulation to normalize esophageal function

**Gentle procedure** – leaves anatomy intact, minimizes side effects of traditional anti-reflux surgery

**Smart therapy** – can be personalized in the clinic with a wireless programmer

Safe and effective – excellent outcomes in clinical trials and in standard clinical practice





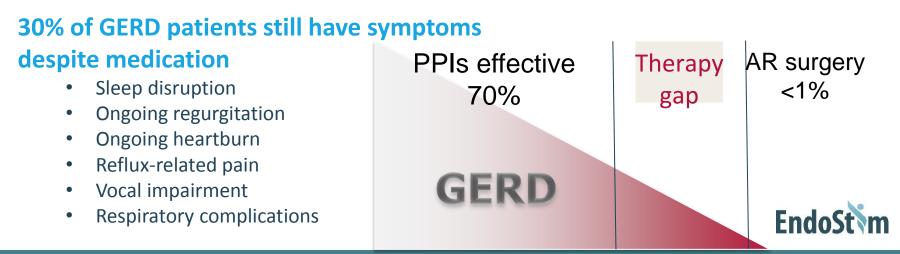
## Targeting the GERD Therapy Gap

#### **GERD**: gastro-esophageal reflux disease

- Caused by a weak lower esophageal sphincter (LES) that allows stomach contents to reflux into the esophagus
- Normally treated by long-term PPI medications that block stomach acid production but do not address the weak sphincter



A weak LES allows stomach contents to flow back into the esophagus A healthy LES closes completely after the passage of food

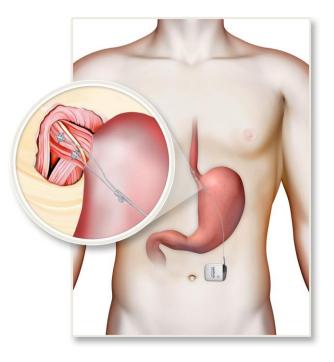






#### EndoStim's Solution for the "Lost Patient" Long-term option for GERD patients unsatisfied on PPI

- Effective long-term barrier to acid
- ✓ Relieves regurgitation and nighttime reflux
- Typically eliminates need for long-term daily PPI use
- Minimal impact on gastro-esophageal junction (GEJ) minimizes GI side effects
- Technically simple, minimizes operator variability
- Personalized therapy Treatment can be wirelessly customized



# First technology that restores the normal LES function to treat GERD



## **Excellent Clinical Outcomes**

#### Published clinical trials show that most patients experience:

- $\checkmark~$  Resolution of regurgitation and heartburn
- ✓ Significant improvement in sleep issues related to reflux
- ✓ Elimination of dependency on PPI medication
- ✓ Long-term normalization of acid exposure and esophageal function

#### **Recent publications:**

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#### Reimbursement Germany - Running costs per case

 ICD-10 GM
 OPS
 DRG

 Diagnosis Codes
 Procedure Codes
 One DRG (out of ~ 1.200) = lump sum payment per case

Apart from DRGs:

Innovation payments NUB:

#### NUB Status 1 - 2 - 3 - 4

1=NUB granted, 2=not granted, 3 = not enough data to assess the method, 4 = implausible information

Extra rates (ZE - Zusatzentgelt)

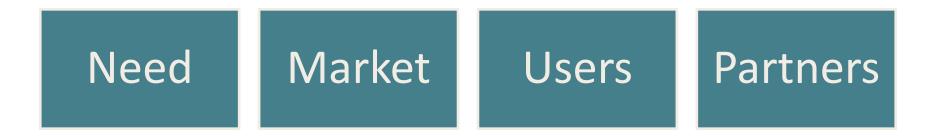


## Timeline: Milestones EndoStim in Germany

2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
EndoStim receives CE Mark	EndoStim receives NUB Status 1	Implementation of a new, specific OPS code + initial DRG assignment NUB Status 1 renewed	DRG application NUB Status 1 renewed	New DRG assignment NUB Status 1 renewed



#### Success Factors: Intelligence



## Business Case

Distribution channel

Reimbursement Strategy

Action plan



#### Success Factors: NUB

2013	2014	2015	2016			
Status 1	Status 1	Status 1	Status 1			
9 Hospitals	40 Hospitals	65 Hospitals	89 Hospitals			
"Elektrostimulationssystem zur Behandlung der gastroösophagealen Refluxkrankheit <sup>2"</sup>						
No. 58	No. 55	No. 62	No. 71			
NUB Status: 1=NUB granted, 2=not granted, 3 = not enough data to assess the method, 4 = implausible information						





#### Success Factors: OPS Codes

New OPS Code

Awareness of costs (InEK)

**DRG** Revision

- 5-429.r Implantation of an antireflux stimulation system
- 5-429.s (Partial) exchange of antireflux stimulation system
- 5-429.s0 Complete exchange
- 5-429.s1 Probe exchange
- 5-429.s2 Unit exchange
- 5-429.t Removing an antireflux stimulation system



#### Success Factors: DRG Shift

Initial DRG assignment: G19C/G19B



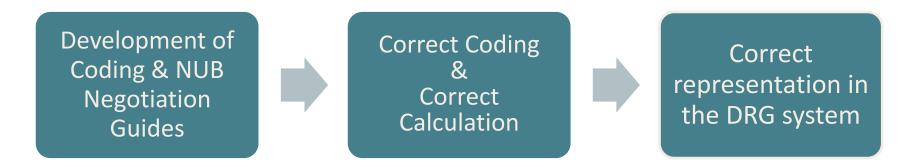
**New DRG assignment:** G04A

- Essential supporting factors:
  - Well-prepared argumentation lines in the application
  - Cost data in the DRG system
  - Support by Medical Association

G19C: 5.017,65 €\* / G19B: 8286,57 €\*



#### Success Factors: Coding & Negotiation Guides

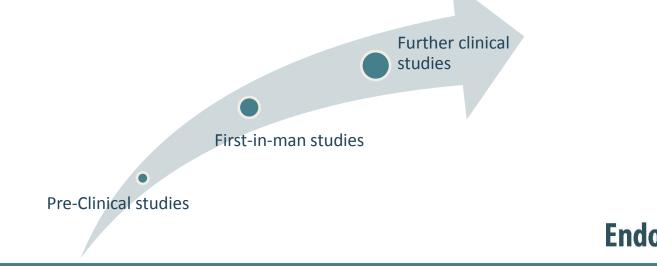


- Coding guides help to ensure the correct coding of the procedure and the correct DRG assignment
- NUB negotiation guides help the customer centers to correctly calculate and successfully negotiate innovation payments
- Together, they help to show the correct costing data inside the DRG system and to ensure an adequate DRG representation

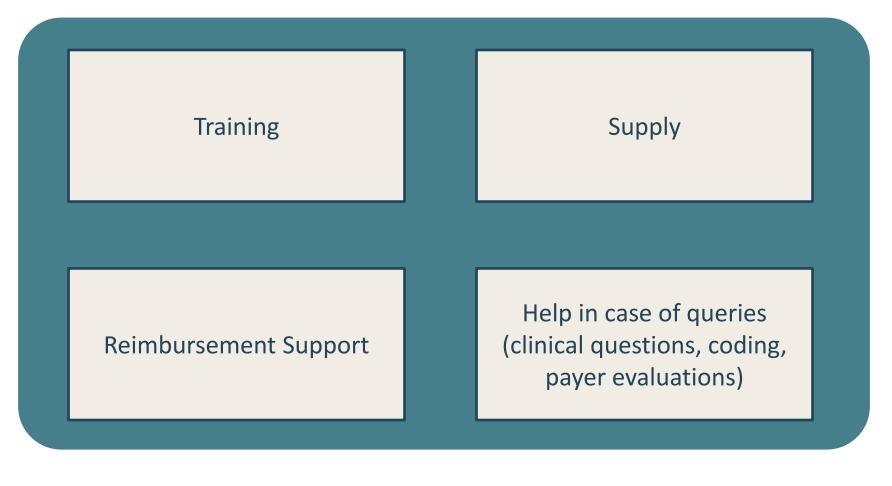


#### Success Factors: Growing Evidence Basis

- Clinical work: Safety, Efficacy, Quality of Life & Economic Efficiency
- Supporting reimbursement activities
- Supporting uptake of the procedure, awareness & podium time
- Local data & registry = Enhancement of Customer-Relationship



#### Success Factors: KOL management





Success Factors: The Team

Essential: People on site, in Germany with corresponding language skills

- Training
- Supply
- Support
  - ... for our customers
- Growing team

Optimal mixture of team members



#### Summary

Key factors for success:

- Clinical need
- Intelligent solution for the need
- Market intelligence & strategy
- Good partners to work on the reimbursement challenges
- > A trained team being on site in Germany



# Thank you for your attention!

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