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Dr. Lori M. Dulabon Partners with Axonics to Treat Symptoms of Overactive Bladder and Urinary Retention

ERIE, Pa. (April 19, 2022) — Lori M. Dulabon, D.O., urologist at LECOM Health Millcreek Surgical Specialists and Corry Memorial Hospital Rural Health Clinic, has partnered with Axonics Inc. to offer Axonics Therapy, a clinically proven solution for treating symptoms of overactive bladder (including urinary urgency incontinence) and urinary retention.

Axonics Therapy is an approved treatment for patients suffering with:

- Overactive bladder (OAB) – the urgent need to urinate, which may result in frequent urination and/or incontinence (leakage) episodes
- Urinary frequency – the need to urinate eight or more times a day, which may or may not be associated with urgency
- Urinary urgency incontinence (UII) – the urgent need to urinate or trouble holding urine before making it to the restroom
- Nonobstructive urinary retention (UR) – the inability to completely empty the bladder, which may result in trouble urinating or frequent small voids

Axonics Therapy is intended for patients who have failed conservative treatments, such as lifestyle changes, physical therapy or medications.

Dr. Dulabon invites the public to a **free, virtual community health talk** taking place Thursday, April 28, at 6 p.m. where she will present information and answer questions about this procedure. Interested parties must register for the event at <http://regaincontrol.events/drdulabon>.

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"As a board-certified urologist, I enjoy caring for adult patients with various urologic concerns," said Dr. Dulabon. "These include kidney stones, prostate disorders, the most up-to-date therapies for overactive bladder and urinary incontinence, and more. The Axonics SNM procedure can be life-changing for some patients, with the added benefit of being able to test it out with a minor, low-risk procedure that can often be done in the office setting prior to having any permanent procedure performed in the operating room."

Benefits of Axonics Therapy are the safe delivery of a miniaturized implant, therapy for at least 15 years, a full-body MRI under approved conditions, and sustained safety and symptom relief at three years.

Patients undergo a short period of Axonics Therapy using a temporary system. The evaluation period allows them to experience the level of symptom relief the therapy may provide before they commit to long-term therapy.

If it is determined that Axonics Therapy is right for the patient, he or she will have an outpatient procedure where the miniaturized Axonics implant is placed just beneath the skin in the upper part of the buttock.

For more information, visit <https://lecomhealth.com/clinical-practices/about-us/specialties/overactive-bladder-treatment/>.

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