

# Trey H\*

## A Case of Mild Obstructive Sleep Apnea and Nonadherence with APAP



\*Hypothetical patient.

Male | Age 37  
Roofing Contractor  
Married with one child

*“I now understand how much my snoring affected my relationship, and how much my mild OSA affected my job. I couldn’t be happier with the results of my eXciteOSA® therapy.”*

### HISTORY

- Trey reported constant daytime sleepiness, fatigue, and irritability.
- Comorbidity conditions: BMI 28, type 2 diabetes and occasional smoker.
- Current medications: Metformin and statin.

### PRESENTATION

- “When I was prescribed APAP, my first concern was how it will look on me during sleep. I was worried that my wife wasn’t going to find me attractive anymore. I needed to find another solution.”
- Chief complaints: Constant daytime fatigue and not thinking clearly which impacted his quality of life. His spouse reported that he snored loudly every night.
- Trey admitted that he didn’t fulfill his prescription two years ago following a sleep study that found his apnea hypopnea index (AHI) to be 11.
- The symptoms of his mild OSA soon began to interfere with the physical demands of his job. Trey would need to take multiple breaks throughout the day due to excessive tiredness. Trey began to seek out alternative therapy solutions.

### FOLLOW-UP

- A new home sleep test was ordered and Trey was diagnosed with mild OSA with an AHI of 14.
- eXciteOSA® was prescribed as a daytime therapy for 20 minutes, once a day for 6 weeks and the consequences of neglecting to address his mild OSA were reviewed. This solution was offered due to Trey’s high risk of non-adherence with APAP and his unwillingness to wear nighttime therapies to address his mild OSA.
- Trey was adherent with using the eXciteOSA® device and was monitored via the eXciteOSA® physician portal. In his follow-up exam after the 6 week therapy, Trey noted his snoring reduced significantly.
- The results of the follow-up home sleep exam showed that Trey’s AHI was lowered to 5.
- Trey was prescribed ongoing use of eXciteOSA® two times a week for 20 minutes each session.

See important clinical data on Page 2 that shows how eXciteOSA® daytime therapy positively impacts Pre- and Post-Therapy AHI, ODI, ESS and PSQI.



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# An Innovative, Daytime Therapy That Targets the Root Cause of Mild Obstructive Sleep Apnea and Primary Snoring



**eXciteOSA® is the first, daytime therapy that works by using non-invasive intraoral neuromuscular electrical stimulation (NMES) – an electrical current to stimulate and improve muscle function of the tongue.** The improved responsiveness of these muscles prevents the tongue from collapsing, maintaining upper airway patency. This reduces obstructive events, its associated desaturations, and improves the quality of sleep.<sup>1-3</sup>

Driven by the eXciteOSA® app, the eXciteOSA® device encourages high adherence due to its daytime use, patient engagement with the app as well as monitoring capabilities for physicians to communicate with their patients.

Results from multiple clinical studies have proven that muscle activity can be improved with electrical stimulation technology.<sup>1-3</sup>

## Objective improvement in mild OSA with the use of eXciteOSA®

**AVERAGE % REDUCTION IN AHI, ODI AND ESS IN PATIENTS WITH MILD OSA PRE- AND POST-THERAPY WITH eXciteOSA®<sup>3</sup>**  
p<0.001

**79% of Patients Responded to Therapy\***



\*As measured by improvement in AHI

## Improvement in snoring with the use of eXciteOSA®

**AVERAGE % REDUCTION IN SNORING TIME AT >40DB IN PATIENTS PRE- AND POST-THERAPY WITH eXciteOSA®<sup>3</sup>**  
p<0.001



\*\*As measured by VAS

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