

## EKG SCRAP PILLOW

**Materials:** Main color MC (Black): 2 skeins Red Heart Super Saver Acrylic Yarn, 7 oz, 364 yds, 198 g. each, Various small amounts of worsted weight acrylic yarn in different colors, Crochet hook size H (5.0 mm), yarn needle, clips or safety pins, stitch markers, Batting or fiberfill

**Size:** about 20" X 20"

Gauge: Not important for this project

**Notes:** This pillow is made entirely of single crochet. All scrap yarn ends are left about 4" long and then 2" are encased as you begin the row. You will leave 2" hanging on the back of the piece. The main color (black) yarn will be carried along as you work with the colored yarn, completely encasing the main color yarn so that you can use it again at the opposite end. When you have finished the pillow, you will only have one end to weave in.



**Special Stitch:** Spike single crochet 3 rows below (SSC3B) Work a single crochet into the stitch 3 rows below present row. Pull yarn up to present row, yo, pull yarn through 2 loops.

Ch 52.

Row 1: Sc into 2<sup>nd</sup> ch from hook and into ea ch across. (51 sc) Turn.

Rows 2-5: Ch 1, sc into 1<sup>st</sup> st and into ea st to end of row. At end of 5<sup>th</sup> row, drop MC and change to another color. Turn.

Row 6: With new color, and encasing MC and tail of new color as you work, ch 1, sc in ea of next 3 sc, \*(SSC3B), sc in next st, (SSC3B), sc in next st, (SSC3B), sc in ea of next 3 sts.\*\* Repeat from \* to \*\* to end of row. Drop colored yarn and cut off, leaving 4" tail. Change to MC. Turn.

Rows 7-9: Ch 1, encasing tail of colored yarn, sc in ea st to end. At end of row 9, drop MC and change to colored yarn. Turn.

Repeat rows 6-9 until pillow from measures about 17" Do not change to colored yarn on the last row. Fasten off.

**Edges:** Lay pillow top out flat onto a table. Divide each side into 5 sections by placing stitch markers at even intervals. On RS attach MC with

a sl st at one corner of side edge. Ch 1, sc into same space. Work 10 sc into ends of rows to next stitch marker. Work 10 sc between each stitch marker except in the middle section. Work 11 sc in the middle section between stitch markers. (51 sc) Turn. Ch 1, work another row of sc to end. Fasten off. Do the same for the opposite side of the pillow top.

**Pillow Back:** You may decide to use a fabric back instead of a crocheted back. If you want a crocheted back, ch 52.

Hdc into 2<sup>nd</sup> ch from hook and into ea ch across. Turn.

Row 2: Ch 1, hdc into ea st across. Turn.

Repeat row 2 until the back measures the same as the front of the pillow. Fasten off.



**Joining:** With wrong sides together, clip or pin front to back. Beginning at one corner, attach MC with a sl st. Ch 1, sc in same st, sc along edge of pillow being sure to catch both pieces of fabric as you work. Place 3 sc into

ea corner and work around 3 sides of the pillow, leaving the last side open. Do not fasten off.

Stuff the pillow with batting of fiberfill. Clip or pin the remaining opening closed. Work a row of sc across opening, being sure to catch both pieces of fabric. When you get to the end, fasten off and weave in the tail.



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