HEART STRESS PILLOW – SEWING PROJECT (to hold in hand)

Supplies

Cotton fabric heart, 2 pieces – see pattern on next page (size at widest points 6 x 6")
Cotton fabric strap, 1 piece, 2" wide x 6" long
Stuffing



Instructions

- 1. Cut out all parts.
- 2. Make strap:
 - Fold 1/4" down along both long sides & iron
 - Fold in half long way, wrong sides together. Iron.
 - Sew $\sim 1/8$ " inside along both long edges
- 3. Layer parts:

Place one heart on table, <u>right side up</u>
Place strap across heart about 1" below the "V" at the heart center
Place 2nd heart on top with <u>right side down</u>

- 4. Pin all layers together
- 5. Sew 1/4" seam around leaving 2" opening on one side below strap. Backstitch at start & end.
- 6. Clip curves & clip off bottom tip. Trim ends of strap to align with edge.
- 7. Turn & push out seams (chopstick works well).
- 8. Iron flat, esp. edges of opening as it will be easier to sew closed.
- 9. Stuff so it is full yet comfy, not hard as a rock. Patients squeeze them.
- 10. Close the opening and pin. Then sew shut with tiny seam. (or neatly hand sew closed).

(AdventHealth Orlando requested these; they fit in the palm of a hand.)

