

Questions For Your Doctor

1. What does my diagnosis mean?
2. Can you explain it in a way that I will understand?
3. What is the name of the medication and what is it supposed to do (what symptoms will it help with)?
4. How and when do I take this medication, and when do I stop taking it?
5. Should the medication be taken with food or on an empty stomach?
6. Are there any other types of treatment?
7. What are the side effects and what should I do if they occur?
8. Where can I get more information about the medication and possible side effects?
9. Is it safe to drink alcohol when I am on this medication?
10. Are there any foods or medications I should avoid while taking the prescribed medication?
11. Are there other specialists I could contact who might be able to help me manage/alleviate symptoms?
12. What can I expect in the near future and over time?
13. Can I get help with the cost of my medication?
14. Should I tell people at school?
15. Do I have to tell people at work?
16. Is it safe to drive while taking this medication?
17. Can you give me an out-of-hours emergency telephone number?
18. Is there anything I can do at home to make things easier or safer?
19. Are there organizations or support groups I can contact?
20. Can I have children?
21. What should I do if I am pregnant or want to have children?