



# Patient Questionnaire for Dizziness

Medical Record Number \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Main Occupation \_\_\_\_\_ Additional Occupation \_\_\_\_\_

1. When did your **FIRST** episode of dizziness occur? \_\_\_\_\_

2. What were you doing when you had your **FIRST** dizzy spell? \_\_\_\_\_

3. How long did your **FIRST** episode last? \_\_\_\_\_

4. Have subsequent dizzy episodes been as severe as the first?  Yes  No

5. Were you ill during or shortly before (within six weeks) your first dizzy spell?  Yes  No

6. Do you have a history of any of the following?

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Seizure disorder                                       | <input type="checkbox"/> Tuberculosis  | <input type="checkbox"/> Syphilis             |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Lower back pain  | <input type="checkbox"/> Neck pain     | <input type="checkbox"/> Arrhythmia           |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Neck injury/surgery                                    | <input type="checkbox"/> Diabetes      | <input type="checkbox"/> Low blood sugar      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Knee injury/surgery                                    | <input type="checkbox"/> Headaches     | <input type="checkbox"/> Elevated cholesterol |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Back injury/surgery                                    | <input type="checkbox"/> Migraines     | <input type="checkbox"/> Heart attack/surgery |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hip injury/surgery                                     | <input type="checkbox"/> Arthritis     | <input type="checkbox"/> Hole in eardrum      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Loss of feeling in feet or legs                        | <input type="checkbox"/> Stroke        | <input type="checkbox"/> High blood pressure  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Major head trauma<br>(involving loss of consciousness) | <input type="checkbox"/> Ear surgery   | <input type="checkbox"/> Heart disease        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Infections requiring hospitalization                   | <input type="checkbox"/> Anxiety       | <input type="checkbox"/> Thyroid disorder     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Eye problems/injury/surgery                            | <input type="checkbox"/> Panic attacks |   |
|   | <input type="checkbox"/> Depression    |   |

7. How would you describe your dizziness?

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Lightheadedness | <input type="checkbox"/> Unsteadiness                           |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Spinning        | <input type="checkbox"/> Swimming, floating or motion sensation |

8. Do you have any of the following symptoms during your dizzy spell?

- Nausea
- Vomiting
- Ear pressure  Left  Right  Both
- Ear noise (ringing)  Left  Right  Both
- Hearing loss  Left  Right  Both
- Ear pain  Left  Right  Both
- Ear drainage  Left  Right  Both
- Auras (warning symptoms)
- Loss of consciousness
- Headache
- Double vision
- Falling towards  Left  Right  Forwards  Backwards
- Numbness  Face  Arms  Legs  Other
- Weakness  Face  Arms  Legs  Other
- Difficulty with speech
- Difficulty with swallowing

9. Does anything improve your dizziness symptoms? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
10. Is your dizziness constant (continuous day and night)?  Yes  No
11. Does your dizziness come in attacks or waves? (if no, skip to next question)  Yes  No
- a. How long does a typical attack last?
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|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> A split second       | <input type="checkbox"/> One to eight hours    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Less than one minute | <input type="checkbox"/> More than eight hours |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Several minutes      |  |
- b. How often are your attacks on the average?
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Many times per day      | <input type="checkbox"/> One every few months   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Everyday                | <input type="checkbox"/> One per year           |
| <input type="checkbox"/> One or more per week    | <input type="checkbox"/> Less than one per year |
| <input type="checkbox"/> At least one each month |   |
- c. When was your last attack? \_\_\_\_\_
- d. Do you completely recover in between episodes?  Yes  No
12. What factors trigger or make your dizziness worse?
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|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Rolling over in bed  | <input type="checkbox"/> Standing up   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bending over   | <input type="checkbox"/> Head motion   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Fatigue  | <input type="checkbox"/> Exertion  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hunger   | <input type="checkbox"/> Emotional stress  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Illnesses  | <input type="checkbox"/> Menstruation  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Straining or lifting   | <input type="checkbox"/> Traveling by: <input type="checkbox"/> Automobile <input type="checkbox"/> Boat <input type="checkbox"/> Airplane |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Walking: <input type="checkbox"/> Anytime <input type="checkbox"/> In the dark |  |
13. Which of the following best describes the severity of your dizziness?
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|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> I can still go about my daily activities | <input type="checkbox"/> I must lie down |
| <input type="checkbox"/> I need support to stand up               |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> I must sit down until it goes away       |  |
14. Which of the following best describes the progress of your dizziness?
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Getting better | <input type="checkbox"/> Staying the same |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Getting worse  |   |
15. Do you have any blood relatives with any of the following disorders?
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Multiple sclerosis | <input type="checkbox"/> Dizziness         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Otosclerosis       | <input type="checkbox"/> Hearing loss      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Migraine headaches | <input type="checkbox"/> Meniere's disease |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Nerve tumors       |  |
16. Other tests you have had in the past (e.g., blood work, MRI, CT scan, hearing test, neck x-rays, neurology eval) \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
17. Alcohol use? Amount/frequency \_\_\_\_\_
18. List any medications you are currently taking \_\_\_\_\_  
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