



Ten Important Questions to Ask Your Doctor after a Diagnosis

These 10 basic questions can help you understand your disease or condition, how it might be treated, and what you need to know and do before making treatment decisions.

- 1. What is the technical name for my disease or condition and what does it mean in plain English?**
- 2. What is my prognosis (outlook for the future)?**
- 3. How soon do I need to make a decision about treatment?**
- 4. Will I need any additional tests and if so what kind and when?**
- 5. What are my treatment options?**
- 6. What are the pros and cons of my treatment options?**
- 7. Is there a clinical trial (research study) that is right for me?**
- 8. Now that I have this diagnosis, what changes will I need to make in my daily life?**
- 9. What organizations do you recommend for support and information?**
- 10. What resources (booklets, websites, DVDs) do you recommend for further information?**