

Questions to Ask the Doctor About Medication

Generic Name:	Product Name:
Product Category:	Dosage level/range:

Why do you recommend this particular medication?
Have you had other patients that have used it? If so, how have they done?
How does this medication work? What do you expect it to do?
How long will it take to achieve that result?
How long will I need to take the medication?
What are the risks associated with taking this medication?
What kind of an effectiveness track record does this medication have?

What short term side effects does this medication have?

What long term side effects does this medication have?

Is there any way to minimize the chances of experiencing these side effects?
If so, what are they?

Are there any dietary or lifestyle suggestions or restrictions when using this medication?

How is this medication monitored?

What tests will I need prior to taking this medication?

How often will I need these tests while taking the medication?

What symptoms indicate that the dosage should be changed or the medication stopped?

Where can I get more information about this medication?

Ask the physician and/or pharmacist if they have any printed information
on this medication you can have to study.