



Parkinson Disease and DBS: A Patient Quiz

Deep Brain Stimulation (DBS) is a treatment for Parkinson Disease that can improve some of the symptoms of Parkinson Disease. Take this simple quiz to better understand if you might be a candidate for DBS.

Directions: Answer the following questions and consider the recommendations at the bottom of this quiz.

1) Do you experience troubling "off" periods (periods when medication is not helping enough and you are experiencing symptoms)?

Yes No

2) Do you experience troubling dyskinesias (involuntary excessive movements)?

Yes No

3) Do you take frequent doses of dopaminergic drugs (levodopa, Sinemet®, Stalevo®, Parcopa®) in a typical day?

Yes No

4) Do you experience any of the following troubling side effects from your medications, despite having tried several drug combinations? (sleepiness, nausea, hallucinations, confusion/other thinking problems, lightheadedness upon standing, behavioral/personality changes)

Yes No

Conclusion

If you answered "Yes" to some of the questions above you may be a candidate for Deep Brain Stimulator treatment.

Contact

To schedule a DBS evaluation, call the Neuro Challenge Centers of Excellence. Your Patient Advocate is Marilyn Tait, R.N. (941) 924-5071.

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