

Questions to Ask Your Doctor about a Diagnostic Test

Quality healthcare is a team effort. And as the most important member of your Care Team, you can make sure you get the best possible care by being prepared for your appointment and asking questions before, during and after your visit.

But what questions should you ask? If you're visiting your doctor to talk about a test, here's a list of questions you can print and bring to your appointment.

Don't forget, making sure you understand the answers you get is just as important. It's always a good idea to take notes. And if you don't understand or are confused, ask your doctor to explain the answer again.

- ▶ What is the name of the test?
- ▶ What is the test for?
- ▶ How is the test done?
- ▶ How accurate is the test?
- ▶ Is the test the only way to find out what might be causing my health problem?
- ▶ What do I need to do to prepare for the test?
- ▶ When will I get my results?
- ▶ What will the results tell me?
- ▶ What's the next step after the test?

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