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DID YOU RECENTLY RECEIVE A DIAGNOSIS?

- What is my diagnosis?
- What is the technical name of my disease or condition, and what does it mean in plain English?
- What is my prognosis (outlook for the future)?
- What changes will I need to make?
- Is there a chance that someone else in my family might get the same condition?
- Will I need special help at home for my condition?
- Is there any treatment?
- What are my treatment options?
- How soon do I need to make a decision about treatment?
- What are the benefits and risks associated with my treatment options?
- Is there a clinical trial (research study) that is right for me?
- Will I need any additional tests?
- What organizations and resources do you recommend for support and information?

WHAT IS YOUR QUESTION?

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DID YOUR CLINICIAN GIVE YOU A PRESCRIPTION?

- What is the name of the medicine?
- Is my medication list up to date?
- How do you spell the name?
- Are there any side effects?
- What is the medicine for?
- How am I supposed to take it?
- When should I take my medicine?
- How much medicine should I take?
- How long do I need to take the medicine?
- Can I take a generic version of this medicine?
- Can I stop taking my medicine if I feel better?
- When will the medicine start working?
- When should I tell someone about a side effect?
- Do I need to avoid any food, drinks, or activities?
- Does this new prescription mean I should stop taking any other medicines I'm taking now?
- Can I take vitamins with my prescription?
- What should I do if I forget to take my medicine?
- What should I do if I accidentally take more than the recommended dose?
- Is there any written information I can take home with me?
- Are there any tests I need to take while I'm on this medicine?
- Can I get a refill?



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SAMPLE QUESTIONS YOU CAN ASK!



QUESTIONS FOR YOU...

- Recently receive a diagnosis?
- Scheduled to have any medical tests?
- Considering treatment for an illness or condition? Surgery recommend by a clinician?
- Choosing a health plan?
- Choosing a clinician?
- Choosing a hospital?
- Choosing long term care?
- Clinician gave you a prescription?

THEN ASK ...