



## Questions for Your Doctor about Hypertrophic Cardiomyopathy (HCM)

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Before undergoing septal myectomy, alcohol septal ablation, or any other procedure for treating hypertrophic cardiomyopathy, it's important to speak with your doctor to ensure you fully understand the procedure and discuss any questions or concerns you may have. Print out or write down these questions and take them with you to your appointment. Taking notes can help you remember your doctor's response when you get home.

## **QUESTIONS ABOUT HYPERTROPHIC CARDIOMYOPATHY**

- □ What are the risks and/or benefits of each medical therapy?
- □ Is it possible to get a consultation from a surgeon and an interventional cardiologist first?
- □ When do I have to start thinking about a procedure?
- □ Which procedure is ideal for my situation?
- □ How do I know if a doctor and/or medical center can perform alcohol septal ablation?
- □ What do I need to do before my procedure to prepare?
- □ What can I expect following the procedure?
- □ What everyday activities should I avoid following the procedure?
- □ When will I be able to resume my normal lifestyle and return to work?

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