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Questions for Your Doctor about Carotid Angioplasty & Stenting

You may wish to use the following questions as a tool to help you talk to your doctor about carotid angioplasty and stenting. We invite you to print them and take them with you to your next appointment. Taking notes will help you remember your discussion when you get home.

QUESTIONS ABOUT CAROTID ANGIOPLASTY & STENTING

- Based on my risk factors, medical history, and the severity and location of the blockages in my carotid arteries, what is the best treatment for me?
- What will I need to do in the weeks, hours, and days leading up to the procedure? Are there tests that I'll need to undergo?
- What else can I do to prepare for the procedure so that I have the best chance for a successful procedure and recovery?
- How long will I be in the hospital?
- Considering my history, do you have concerns about complications?
- How long will it be until I can return to work or other normal daily activities?
- How will I feel after recovery is complete?
- Will my arteries rearrow or become blocked again? If so, in what time period should I expect this to happen?
- What kind of care is necessary and ongoing after the procedure? Do I have to keep taking medications? What kind and why?
- Can I get help with making lifestyle changes such as quitting smoking, adopting a healthy diet, and exercising?



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