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DIZZINESS QUESTIONNAIRE

Please answer the following brief questions about your dizziness (circle your answers):

1. Do you have hearing loss (now or in the past)? YES NO
2. Do you have TRUE VERTIGO (false sense of motion, floating, bobbing, swaying, rocking, tilting, or spinning)? YES NO

If YES, how long did it last? 1. SHORT EPISODES: less than 5 minutes.

2. MODERATE EPISODES: 5 minutes to 24 hours.

3. LONG EPISODES: 1 day to 1 week.

4. PERSISTENT: Longer than 1 week.

If NO, do you have any of the following symptoms?

A. DYSEQUILIBRIUM (imbalance): Off balance, tipsy, wobbly, feeling you might fall.

B. NEAR FAINTING: Near feeling you might faint, black out, or lose consciousness.

C. SPACEY: Disconnected or distanced from the world from the world around you, panicky, tingling about the mouth or hands.

If so, how long do these symptoms last?

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2. MODERATE EPISODES: 5 minutes to 24 hours.

3. LONG EPISODES: 1 day to 1 week.

4. PERSISTANT: longer than 1 week.

NAME _____

DATE _____

DIZZINESS QUESTIONNAIRE

IS YOUR DIZZINESS ASSOCIATED WITH ANY OF THE FOLLOWING SENSATIONS? PLEASE READ THE ENTIRE LIST FIRST. THEN CIRCLE YES OR NO TO DESCRIBE YOUR FEELINGS MOST ACCURATELY.

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| Yes | No | 1. | Lightheadedness or swimming sensation in the head. |
| Yes | No | 2. | Blacking out or loss of consciousness. |
| Yes | No | 3. | Tendency to fall. |
| Yes | No. | 4. | Objects spinning or turning around you. |
| Yes | No | 5. | Sensation that you are turning or spinning inside, with outside objects remaining stationary. |
| Yes | No | 6. | Loss of balance when walking in the light:
Veering to the: Right? Left? |
| Yes | No | 7. | Loss of balance when walking in the dark:
Veering to the: Right? Left? |
| Yes | No | 8. | Headache. |
| Yes | No | 9. | Nausea. |
| Yes | No | 10. | Vomiting |
| Yes | No | 11. | Pressure in the head. |
| Yes | No | 12. | Tingling in the fingers or toes. |
| Yes | No | 13. | Tingling around the mouth. |

TIME COURSE & AGGRAVATING FACTORS

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| | | 1. | When did your dizziness first occur? _____ |
| | | 2. | How often do you become dizzy? _____ |
| | | 3. | If in attacks, how long does an attack last? _____ |
| Yes | No | 4. | Do you have any warning that the attack is about to start? |
| Yes | No | 5. | Do they occur at any particular time of day or night? |
| Yes | No | 6. | Are you completely free of dizziness between attacks? |
| Yes | No | 7. | Does change of position make you dizzy? Which movement?
_____ |
| Yes | No | 8. | Do you become dizzy when rolling over in bed?
To the right? To the left? |
| Yes | No | 9. | Do you know of any possible cause for your dizziness?
What? _____ |
| | | 10. | Do you know of anything that will:
a. Stop your dizziness or make it better? _____ |
| Yes | No | | b. Make your dizziness worse? _____ |
| Yes | No | 11. | Do you become dizzy when you bend your head forward
backward _____ |
| Yes | No | 12. | Do you become dizzy when you cough? _____
When you sneeze? _____
When you have a bowel movement? _____ |

13. Can any of the following make your dizziness worse or precipitate an attack?
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| Yes | No | Fatigue? |
| Yes | No | Exertion? |
| Yes | No | Hunger? |
| Yes | No | Menstrual Period? |
| Yes | No | Stress? |
| Yes | No | Emotional Upset? |
| Yes | No | Alcohol? |
| Yes | No | 14. Do you have any allergies? What? _____ |

ASSOCIATED OTOLOGIC SYMPTOMS

Do you have any of the following symptoms? Please circle Yes or No and circle the ear involved, if appropriate.

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| Yes | No | 1. Dizziness. Describe dizziness _____ |
| Yes | No | 2. Difficulty in hearing? Both Ears _____ Right _____ Left _____ |
| Yes | No | 3. Does your hearing change with dizziness?
If so, how? _____ |
| Yes | No | 4. Do you have noise in your ears? Both Ears _____
Right _____ Left _____
Describe Noise: _____ |
| Yes | No | 5. Does noise change with dizziness?
If so, how? _____ |
| Yes | No | 6. Do you have fullness or stuffiness in your ears?
Both Ears _____ Right _____ Left _____ |
| Yes | No | 7. Do you have pain in your ears? Both Ears _____
Right _____ Left _____ |
| Yes | No | 8. Do you have discharge from your ears? Both Ears _____
Right _____ Left _____ |

ASSOCIATED NEUROLOGIC SYMPTOMS

Have you experienced any of the following symptoms? Please circle Yes or No and circle if Constant or In Episodes.

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|-----|----|------------------------------------|----------------|-------------------|
| Yes | No | 1. Double Vision | Constant _____ | In Episodes _____ |
| Yes | No | 2. Blurred Vision | Constant _____ | In Episodes _____ |
| Yes | No | 3. Blindness | Constant _____ | In Episodes _____ |
| Yes | No | 4. Numbness of Feet or Extremities | Constant _____ | In Episodes _____ |

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| Yes | No | 5. Weakness in arms or legs | Constant_____ | In Episodes_____ |
| Yes | No | 6. Clumsiness of the arms or legs. | Constant_____ | In Episodes_____ |
| Yes | No | 7. Confusion or loss of consciousness. | Constant_____ | In Episodes_____ |
| Yes | No | 8. Difficulty with speech. | Constant_____ | In Episodes_____ |
| Yes | No | 9. Difficulty with swallowing. | Constant_____ | In Episodes_____ |
| Yes | No | 10. Pain in neck or shoulders | Constant_____ | In Episodes_____ |

PAST MEDICAL HISTORY

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| Yes | No | 1. Do you have a history of earaches or ear infections as a child?_____ |
| Yes | No | 2. Did you ever injure your head?_____ When?_____ |
| Yes | No | 3. Were you ever unconscious?_____ When?_____ |
| Yes | No | 4. Did you suffer from motion sickness before age 12?_____ |
| Yes | No | 5. Have you suffered from motion sickness in the last 10 years?_____ |
| Yes | No | 6. Do you now take any medications regularly? What?_____ |
| Yes | No | 7. Have you taken medications in the past for dizziness? What?_____ |
| Yes | No | 8. Do you use tobacco in any form? What kind?_____ How much?_____ |
| Yes | No | 9. Does caffeine affect your dizziness? How?_____ |
| Yes | No | 10. Does alcohol affect your dizziness? How?_____ |
| Yes | No | 11. Do you have a past history of: Diabetes?_____ Heart Disease?_____ High Blood Pressure?_____ Kidney Disease?_____ Thyroid Disease?_____ Migraine Headache?_____ |
| Yes | No | 11. Do you have a family history of: Ear Disease?_____ Neurologic Disease?_____ Migraine Headaches?_____ |