

NECK DISABILITY INDEX QUESTIONNAIRE



Patient Name _____ Date _____

Please read carefully:

This questionnaire has been designed to enable us to understand how your neck pain has affected your ability to manage everyday life.

*Please answer every section, and mark in each section only **ONE CHOICE** which applies to you. We realize you may consider that two of the statements in any one section relate to you but please **just mark the one box, which most closely describes your problem right now.***

SECTION 1 – Pain Intensity

- ☐ I have no pain at the moment.
- ☐ The pain is very mild at the moment.
- ☐ The pain is moderate at the moment.
- ☐ The pain is fairly severe at the moment.
- ☐ The pain is very severe at the moment.
- ☐ The pain is the worst imaginable at the moment.

SECTION 2 – Personal Care (washing, dressing, etc.)

- ☐ I can look after myself without causing extra pain.
- ☐ I can look after myself normally but it causes extra pain.
- ☐ It is painful to look after myself and I am slow and careful.
- ☐ I need some help but manage most of my personal care.
- ☐ I need help every day in most aspects of self care.
- ☐ I do not get dressed, wash with difficulty and stay in bed.

SECTION 3 – Lifting

- ☐ I can lift heavy weights without extra pain.
- ☐ I can lift heavy weights but it gives extra pain.
- ☐ Pain prevents me from lifting heavy objects off the floor, but I can manage if they are conveniently positioned, e.g. on a table.
- ☐ Pain prevents me from lifting heavy weights but I can manage light to medium weights if they are conveniently positioned.
- ☐ I can lift very light weights.
- ☐ I cannot lift or carry anything at all.

SECTION 4 – Reading

- ☐ I can read as much as I want with no pain in my neck.
- ☐ I can read as much as I want with slight pain in my neck.
- ☐ I can read as much as I want with moderate pain in my neck.
- ☐ I cannot read as much as I want because of moderate pain in my neck.
- ☐ I can hardly read at all because of severe pain in my neck.
- ☐ I cannot read at all.

SECTION 5 – Headaches

- ☐ I have no headaches at all.
- ☐ I have slight headaches which come infrequently.
- ☐ I have moderate headaches which come infrequently.
- ☐ I have moderate headaches which come frequently.
- ☐ I have severe headaches which come frequently.
- ☐ I have headaches almost all the time.

SECTION 6 – Concentration

- ☐ I can concentrate fully when I want to with no difficulty.
- ☐ I can concentrate fully when I want to with slight difficulty.
- ☐ I have a fair degree of difficulty in concentrating when I want to.
- ☐ I have a lot of difficulty in concentrating when I want to.
- ☐ I have a great deal of difficulty concentrating.
- ☐ I cannot concentrate at all.

SECTION 7 – Work

- ☐ I can do as much work as I want to.
- ☐ I can only do my usual work, but no more.
- ☐ I can do most of my usual work, but no more.
- ☐ I cannot do my usual work.
- ☐ I can hardly do any work at all.
- ☐ I cannot do any work at all.

SECTION 8 – Driving

- ☐ I can drive without any neck pain.
- ☐ I can drive as long as I want with slight pain in my neck.
- ☐ I can drive as long as I want with moderate pain in my neck.
- ☐ I cannot drive as long as I want because of moderate pain in my neck.
- ☐ I can hardly drive at all because of severe pain in my neck.
- ☐ I cannot drive my car at all.

SECTION 9 – Sleeping

- ☐ I have no trouble sleeping.
- ☐ My sleep is slightly disturbed (less than 1 hr. sleepless).
- ☐ My sleep is mildly disturbed (1 - 2 hrs. sleepless).
- ☐ My sleep is moderately disturbed (2 – 5 hrs. sleepless).
- ☐ My sleep is greatly disturbed (3 – 5 hrs. sleepless).
- ☐ My sleep is completely disturbed (5 – 7 hrs. sleepless).

SECTION 10 – Recreation

- ☐ I am able to engage in all my recreation activities with no neck pain at all.
- ☐ I am able to engage in all my recreation activities with some pain in my neck.
- ☐ I am able to engage in most, but not all of my usual recreation activities because of pain in my neck.
- ☐ I am able to engage in a few of my usual recreation activities because of pain in my neck.
- ☐ I can hardly do any recreation activities because of pain in my neck.
- ☐ I cannot do any recreation activities at all.

COMMENTS:

Scoring: Questions are scored on a vertical scale of 0-5. Total scores and multiply by 2. Divide by number of sections answered multiplied by 10. A score of 22% or more is considered significant activities of daily living disability. (Score ____ x 2) / (____ Sections x 10) = _____ %ADL