

**Dizziness and Balance questionnaire**  
(Please complete this form prior your first visit)

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Patient: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_

Occupation:  full-time  part-time  not working  retired

**Symptoms: Check all that apply:**

Dizziness	Spinning/Vertigo	Lightheadedness/Fainting	Rocking/tilting
Visual changes	Headache	Fatigue	Unsteadiness
Falling	Ringing/noise in ears	Fullness in ears	Motion sensitive
Hearing loss	Double vision	Brain fog	Imbalance/Disequilibrium

**Describe your current problem:**

i. When did your problem start (date)? \_\_\_\_\_

ii. Was it associated with a related event (e.g. head injury)?  yes  no

If yes, please explain: \_\_\_\_\_

iii. Was the onset of your symptoms:  sudden  gradual  overnight  other  
(describe): \_\_\_\_\_

iv. Are your symptoms:  constant  variable (i.e. come and go in attacks)

➤ If variable:

a. The spells occur every (# of): \_\_\_\_\_ hours \_\_\_\_\_ days \_\_\_\_\_ weeks \_\_\_\_\_  
months \_\_\_\_\_ years.

b. The spells last:  < 1 min.  1-2 min.  3-10 min.  11-30 min.  ½-1 hr.  2-6 hrs.  7-24 hrs.  > 24 hrs.

c. Do you have any warning signs that an attack is about to happen?  yes  no

If yes, please describe: \_\_\_\_\_

d. Are you completely free of symptoms between attacks?  yes  no

v. Do your symptoms occur when changing positions?  yes  no

If yes, check all that apply:

√	<b>Symptom</b>	√	<b>Symptom</b>
	Rolling your body to the left		Rolling your body to the right
	Moving from a lying to a sitting position		Looking up with your head back
	Turning head side to side while sitting/standing		Bending over with your head down

vi. Is there anything that makes your symptoms worse?  yes  no  
 If yes, check all that apply:

√	<b>Symptoms</b>	√	<b>Symptoms</b>
	Moving my head		Physical activity or exercise
	Riding or driving in the car		Large crowds or a busy environment
	Loud sounds		Coughing, blowing the nose, or straining
	Standing up		Eating certain foods
	Time of day		Menstrual periods (if applicable)
	Other:		Other:

vii. Is there anything that makes your symptoms better?  yes  no  
 If yes, please explain:

viii. Do you have difficulty walking in the dark or at dusk?  yes  no

ix. When you have symptoms, do you need to support yourself to stand or walk?  yes  no  
 If yes, how do you support yourself?

x. Do you have difficulty walking on uneven surfaces (e.g. grass or gravel) compared with smooth surfaces (e.g. concrete)?  
 yes  no

xi. Have you ever fallen as a result of your current problem?  yes  no  
 If yes, # of falls in the last 6 months \_\_\_\_\_

xii. Has there been a recent change in your vision, including contacts or glasses?  yes  no

Explain: \_\_\_\_\_

**Past medical history: Please circle all that apply:**

Concussion	Hypertension/Hypotension	Ataxia
Seizures	Diabetes/Neuropathy	HA/Migraines
Motor vehicle accident	CABG/CAD/Heart attack/CHF	Asthma/COPD
Stroke/TIA	Cancer	History of infection or blood clot
Multiple sclerosis	Peripheral vascular disease	THR/TKR/Spine surgery
Parkinson's disease	Depression/Panic attacks	Hip/knee/ankle/shoulder/back injury
Glaucoma/macular degeneration	Neck arthritis/surgery	High cholesterol/triglycerides
Fibromyalgia	Chronic fatigue syndrome	Auto immune disease

**Other:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Medical Tests:**  MRI  MRA  CT  X-Ray  Blood

Other: \_\_\_\_\_

**Vestibular Tests:**  VNG  Rotational Chair  VAT  CDP  VEMP  vHIT

**Onset Type:**  SURGICAL  INJURY  INSIDIOUS

**Describe any ear related symptoms:**

i. Do you have difficulty with hearing?    yes    no

If yes, which ear(s):    left    right    both

When did this start? \_\_\_\_\_

ii. Do you wear hearing aids?  yes  no

If yes, which ear(s):  left  right  both

iii. Do you experience noise or ringing in your ears?  yes  no

If yes, which ear(s):  left  right  both

➤ Describe the noise:  ringing  buzzing  other: \_\_\_\_\_

➤ Does the noise pulsate or is it steady?  steady  pulsate  variable

➤ Does anything stop the noise or make it better?  yes  no

If yes, explain: \_\_\_\_\_

iv. Do you have pain, fullness, or pressure in your ears?  yes  no

v. Do your ear symptoms occur at the same time as your dizziness/imbalance symptoms?

yes  no

**When dizzy or imbalanced, do you experience any of the following:**

vi. Lightheadedness or a floating sensation?  yes  no

vii. Objects or your environment turning around you?  yes  no

viii. A sensation that you are turning or spinning while the environment remains stable?

yes  no

ix. Nausea or vomiting?  yes  no

x. Tingling of hands, feet or lips?  yes  no

xi. When you are walking, do you:  veer left?  veer right?  remain in a straight path?

**SOCIAL HISTORY/LIFESTYLE:**

**Please indicate your level of activity currently and prior to developing symptoms:**

Current activity level:  inactive  light  moderate  vigorous with/without walker/cane

List activities/hobbies:

Prior activity level: :  inactive  light  moderate  vigorous with/without walker/cane

List activities/hobbies:

If your activity is light or inactive, what are the major barriers? (check all that apply):

dizziness  imbalance  fear of falling  lack of energy

**HABITS:**

**Please describe your habits in regards to the following substances:**

Caffeine:  I do not consume caffeine  I consume caffeine.

- I drink \_\_\_(#) cups of \_\_\_\_\_ (e.g. coffee) per  day  week  month

Tobacco:  I do not consume tobacco.  I consume tobacco

- I smoke/chew \_\_\_ (#) \_\_\_\_\_ of (product) per  day  week  month

Alcohol:  I do not consume alcohol.  I consume alcohol.

- I drink \_\_\_\_\_ (#) glasses of \_\_\_\_\_ (e.g. wine) per  day  week  month

**MEDICATIONS:** Please provide us with a list of current medications if not submitted before.

**Is there anything else you would like to tell us?**