

Patient Questionnaire

On

Pain Management

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Dear Patient,

As a part of our pain management program, our hospital is looking at ways of providing better comfort measures to reduce the amount of pain and suffering associated with illness and/or surgery. We appreciate your taking about 10 minutes of your time to answer these questions. Your feedback is important to us and to future patients.

NAME _____ (Optional) _____ AGE _____ SEX _____

REASON FOR HOSPITALIZATION _____

NUMBER OF DAYS IN THE HOSPITAL _____

TODAY'S DATE _____

1. Did you expect to have considerable pain as part of your hospitalization experience?

_____ Yes _____ No

2. How much pain did you experience while in the hospital?

_____ None _____ Minimal _____ A lot _____ Severe pain

3. Did the doctor or nurse explain the 0-10 pain scale to you?

_____ Yes _____ No

4. Did nursing staff ask you to evaluate your pain on a scale of 0-10?
 No Seldom Most of the time Consistently

5. How would you characterize staff response to your request for pain medicine?

Timeliness:

Excellent Good Fair Poor

Caring:

Excellent Good Fair Poor

6. Please check the method(s) that were used to control your pain:

None Self-administered pain pump (PCA)
 Pills Pain medicine in the IV or IV drip
 Injections (shots) Other (pain patch, epidural, etc) _____

7. Did pain interfere with your ability to: (check all that apply)

Move in bed Breathe Relate with others
 Walk Eat Other (explain)
 Mood (emotions) Sleep

8. Please check all those that represent your viewpoint:

Complaining about pain will distract my doctor from his/her primary responsibility-curing my illness.

I don't want to bother the nurse-she's busy with other patients.

Pain medicine can't really control pain.

People get addicted to pain medicine easily.

It's easier to put up with pain than with the side effects that come from pain medicine.

Good patients avoid talking about pain.

Pain medicine should be saved in case the pain get worse.

Pain builds character-it's good for you.

Patients should expect to have pain; it's part of almost every hospitalization.

I shouldn't have to endure pain; there are medications available to control the pain.

9. Overall, how well do you feel your pain was controlled?

Excellent Good Fair Poor

10. Comments

Thank you for your participation.