

# **PATIENT INFORMATION SHEET**

# SYMPTOM OVERVIEW

#### UNDERSTANDING NUMBNESS, WEAKNESS, OR TINGLING IN THE EXTREMITIES



- Sensations of numbness, weakness, or "pins and needles" in the arms, hands, legs, or feet.
- These sensations can be persistent, intermittent, or progressively worsening.

#### WHAT IT MIGHT INDICATE

- Common conditions: These symptoms can be due to nerve compression or irritation, such as that caused by carpal tunnel syndrome, sciatica, or herniated discs.
- They might also be indicative of peripheral neuropathy, which can be diabetes, caused by certain medications, or other conditions.
- Other causes include vitamin deficiencies, vascular disorders, or, in rare cases, diseases like multiple sclerosis or Guillain-Barré syndrome.
- Please note: This document is not intended for self-diagnosis. Persistent or worsening symptoms should be evaluated by a healthcare professional.

#### **IMMEDIATE ACTIONS**

- Take note of any specific triggers or activities that exacerbate or relieve the symptoms.
- Avoid repetitive motions or prolonged positions that could be compressing nerves.
- If the numbness or weakness is sudden and localized to one side of the body or accompanied by other serious symptoms (like confusion, dizziness, or severe headache), seek immediate medical attention.

# WHEN TO CONTACT US

- If you are experiencing consistent or worsening numbness, weakness, or tingling in your extremities, consider contacting us to arrange an online consultation with our specialists.
- If you're seeking further guidance, alternative treatment options, or a second opinion, our service can provide xpert advice and specialist referrals.



## WHAT TO EXPECT DURING **OUR ONLINE CONSULTATION**

- Our specialist will inquire about your symptoms, medical history, and any medications you're taking.
- You may be asked to describe the sensations in detail, including their onset, duration, and any patterns you've noticed.
- Further diagnostic tests (like nerve conduction studies, electromyography, or imaging) may be recommended based on your symptoms and history.

## **PREPARATION FOR YOUR** APPOINTMENT

- Be ready to discuss in detail the sensations you've been experiencing and their impact on your daily activities.
- Compile a list of all medications and supplements you're taking, including dosages.
- Ensure you're in a quiet, well-lit room with a stable internet connection for the video call.
- Have any questions about your symptoms, potential causes, or treatment options written down and ready to ask.

# DISCLAIMER

This information sheet is for educational purposes only and is not a substitute for professional medical advice, diagnosis, or treatment. Always consult your healthcare provider with any questions or concerns you may have regarding your condition.

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