PHYSICIAN CONSULT CHECKLIST

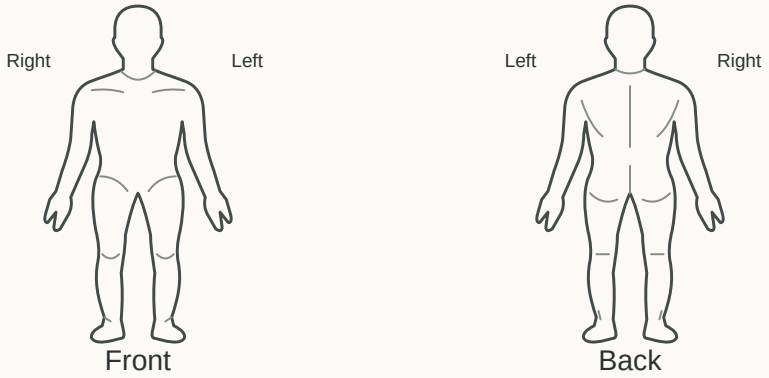
Lumbar spinal stenosis

Name _____ Visit date _____

Mark where you feel it

Side (left, right, or both) _____

Write a letter where you feel each symptom. Use more than one letter if needed.



N Numbness **P** Pins & Needles **B** Burning / Aching **S** Stabbing

What I want my physician to know

Write how far you walk before needing to stop and how long it takes to restart.

I used to be able to… Now I struggle with…

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It started… It feels better or worse when…

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I've tried… It helped for…

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The main thing I want to decide or do is…

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What to bring or send

Bring lumbar images and a short log of walks, rests, and symptoms.

- ☐ Prior images and written reports, if available
- ☐ Checked the scan date, body area and side
- ☐ Confirmed the office can open the image files
- ☐ Relevant visit and therapy notes, medication and allergy list

Image date, type and where it was done

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What I still need to request or confirm

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Questions to ask

- ☐ What about the pattern of walking and resting matters in the exam?
- ☐ What walking goal could show that the plan is helping?
- ☐ If I have prior images, would they help answer today's question? Would another test change the plan?

What will I do next, and when will we check in?

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One small improvement I want to notice

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Notes from my visit

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