

Questions for your doctor

The following questions are some examples that may help you to begin the conversation with your doctor, and to achieve more from your consultation:

At what stage is my disease?

Is there anything special about my rheumatoid arthritis that makes my prognosis better or worse?

What other tests will I need? When will they happen, and when will I get the results? What will they mean?

What are my rheumatoid arthritis treatment choices at this stage of my disease?

What are the side effects of different treatments? How can any side effects be managed?

How long will I receive treatment, how often and where?

Can you please explain to me the tools that are used to measure my disease?
How will we use them to consistently measure whether my disease is under control?
How will we decide whether I need a different treatment?

If previous rheumatoid arthritis treatments haven't worked, what other treatments should I consider? How effective are these treatments?

Who do I contact if I have questions about treatment options? Can I talk with another one of your patients who has received this treatment? Where can I go for more information?
