

SPINE & SPORT PHYSICAL THERAPY

Neck Disability Index

NAME: _____

DATE: _____

This questionnaire has been designed to give your Physical Therapist information as to how your neck pain has affected your ability to manage in everyday life. Please answer every section and mark only ONE box which best applies to you at this moment.

SECTION 1 – PAIN INTENSITY

- I have no pain at the moment.
- The pain is very mild at the moment.
- The pain is moderate at the moment.
- The pain is fairly severe at the moment.
- The pain is very severe at the moment.
- The pain is worse at the moment.

SECTION 2 – PERSONAL CARE (Washing, Dressing, etc.)

- I can look after myself normally without causing extra pain.
- I can look after myself normally but it causes extra pain.
- It is painful to look after myself and I am slow and careful.
- I need some help but manage most of my personal care.
- I need help every day in most aspects of self-care.
- I do not get dressed. I wash with difficulty and stay in bed.

SECTION 3 - LIFTING

- I can lift heavy weights without extra pain
- I can lift heavy weights but it gives extra pain.
- Pain prevents me from lifting heavy weights off the floor, but I can manage if they are conveniently positioned, for example on a table.
- Pain prevents me from lifting heavy weights but I can manage light to medium weights if they are conveniently positioned.
- I cannot lift very light-weights.
- I cannot lift or carry anything at all because of my neck.

SECTION 4 - READING

- I can read as much as I want with no pain in my neck.
- I can read as much as I want with slight pain in my neck.
- I can read as much as I want with moderate pain in my neck.
- I can't read as much as I want because of moderate pain in my neck.
- I can hardly read at all because of severe pain in my neck.
- I cannot read at all because of my neck.

SECTION 5 - HEADACHES

- I have no headaches at all.
- I have slight headaches, which come infrequently.
- I have moderate headaches, which come infrequently.
- I have moderate headaches, which come frequently.
- I have severe headaches, which come frequently.
- I have headaches almost all the time.

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SECTION 6 - CONCENTRATION

- I can concentrate fully when I want to with no difficulty.
- I can concentrate fully when I want to with slight difficulty because of my neck.
- I have a fair degree of difficulty concentrating when I want to.
- I have a lot of difficulty concentrating when I want because of my neck.
- I have a great deal of difficulty concentrating when I want to because of my neck.
- I cannot concentrate at all because of my neck.

SECTION 7 - WORK

- I can do as much work as I want to.
- I can only do my usual work, but no more.
- I can do most of my usual work, but no more.
- I cannot do my usual work because of my neck.
- I can hardly do any work at all because of my neck.
- I cannot do any work at all because of my neck.

SECTION 8 - DRIVING

- I can drive my car without any neck pain.
- I can drive my car as long as I want with slight pain in my neck.
- I can drive my car as long as I want with moderate pain in my neck.
- I cannot drive as long as I want because of moderate pain in my neck.
- I can hardly drive at all because of severe pain in my neck.
- I cannot drive my car at all because of my neck.

SECTION 9 - SLEEPING

- I have no trouble sleeping.
- My sleep is slightly disturbed (less than 1 hour sleepless).
- My sleep is mildly disturbed (1-2 hours sleepless).
- My sleep is moderately disturbed (2-3 hours sleepless).
- My sleep is greatly disturbed (3-5 hours sleepless).
- My sleep is completely disturbed (5-7 hours sleepless).

SECTION 10 - RECREATION

- I am able to engage in all my recreational activities with no neck pain at all.
- I am able to engage in all my recreation activities with some pain in my neck.
- I am able to engage in most, but not all of my usual recreation activities because of pain in my neck.
- I am able to engage in a few of my usual recreation activities because of pain in my neck.
- I can hardly do any recreation activities because of pain in my neck.
- I cannot do any recreation activities at all because of my neck.

Please mark an "X" on the line below which represents the amount of pain you have had in the past 24 hours. The scale is from no pain at all to worst pain possible.

No pain at all



Worst pain possible

SCORE: _____ /50 _____ %