

HEADACHE DESCRIPTION FORM

Instructions:

- Answer each question the best you can.
- Mark all answers that apply to this headache type
- If the answer varies, give the answer that is most typical of your headaches.
- If you can't answer, or it doesn't apply, you may leave the question blank.
- **If you have more than one type of headache, then please fill out a separate Headache Description Form for each type.**

When did this headache pattern start? _____

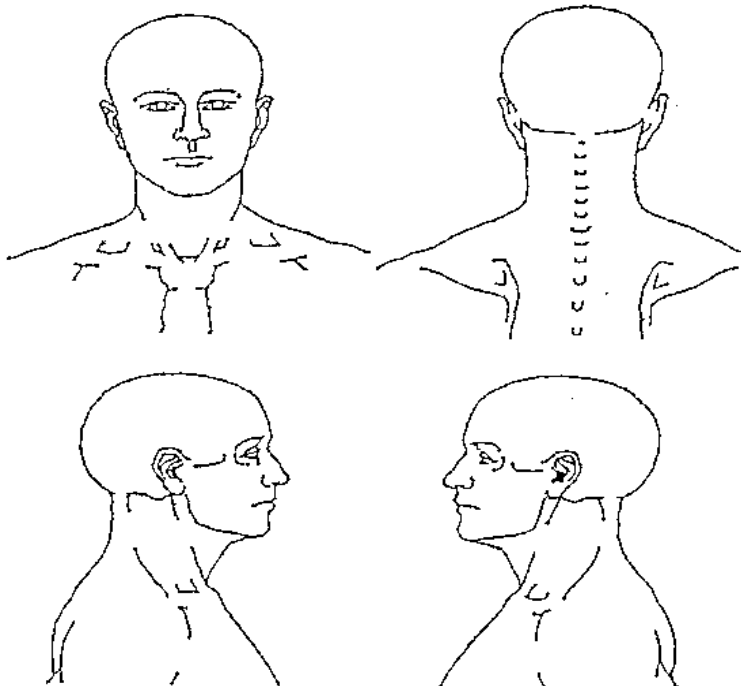
Was there some event in your life that may have started this headache pattern? Yes No

If so, please explain: _____

Do you get a warning sign before you get a headache?

- | | | |
|--|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Visual change | <input type="checkbox"/> Fatigue | <input type="checkbox"/> Ringing in the ears |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Off balance | <input type="checkbox"/> Sensory change | <input type="checkbox"/> Localized weakness / numbness |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____ | | |

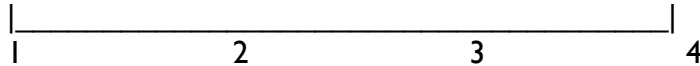
Where does it start & where does it spread to? (please mark on the drawings)



How painful does it typically get?

Pain Scale:

- 1 = mild/moderate pain, but can function normally
- 2 = moderate/severe pain, but still can do some things
- 3 = severe pain, have to stop/cannot function
- 4 = worst pain of your life/true agony



How fast does it build, from no/minimal pain to its maximum pain level?

- Seconds
- Minutes
- 1hr
- 2-5hrs
- 6-12hrs
- 1 day
- 2days
- >2days
- Varies/No Pattern

How long does it typically last, **without treatment**?

- Seconds
- Minutes
- 1hr
- 2-5hrs
- 6-12hrs
- 1 day
- 2days
- >2days
- I don't know. I always treat it with something.

How long does it typically last, **with treatment**?

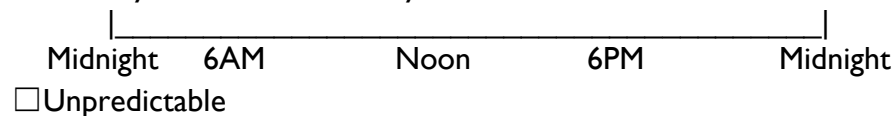
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How do you treat your headache now (medications, other measures)?

What does it feel like; how would you describe the pain?

- Throbbing/pulsing
- sharp/stabbing
- burning/tingling
- Pressure/squeezing
- dull/nagging
- jab/jolt
- Other: _____

What time does your headache usually start?



Associated Symptoms

During a headache, do you have any of these symptoms? (check ALL that apply)

- | | | | |
|--|---|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Light sensitivity | <input type="checkbox"/> Sound Sensitivity | <input type="checkbox"/> Sensitivity to smells | <input type="checkbox"/> Nausea |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Vomiting | | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Blurred vision | <input type="checkbox"/> Double vision | <input type="checkbox"/> Zigzag lines | <input type="checkbox"/> Tunnel vision |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Blind spots | <input type="checkbox"/> Bright spots | <input type="checkbox"/> Colored spots | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Pupil size change | <input type="checkbox"/> Eyelid droop: Left/Right | <input type="checkbox"/> Red/injected eye | <input type="checkbox"/> Tearing |
| <input type="checkbox"/> A feeling like there's something in the eye | | <input type="checkbox"/> Stuffy nose | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Tingling/numbness; where? _____ | | <input type="checkbox"/> Weakness; where: _____ | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Jabs/jolts of pain | <input type="checkbox"/> Vertigo/light headed/room spinning/sensation of movement | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Falling | <input type="checkbox"/> Ringing in the ears | <input type="checkbox"/> Whooshing sound in the ears | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Poor concentration | <input type="checkbox"/> Confusion | <input type="checkbox"/> Slurred speech | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Passing out/Loss of consciousness | | <input type="checkbox"/> Seizures | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Restlessness/can't hold still | | <input type="checkbox"/> Do you pace/rock? | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Do you hit your head? | | | |

Headache triggers/Precipitating factors

Which of these things will set off this type of headache? (check ALL that apply)

- | | | | |
|--|---|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bright lights | <input type="checkbox"/> Sun | <input type="checkbox"/> Stress | <input type="checkbox"/> Letdown |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Weather changes | <input type="checkbox"/> Change in sleep patterns | | <input type="checkbox"/> Allergies/Sinus |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hormonal changes: Menstrual period/ovulation/pregnancy/post-partum/contraceptives | | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Travel/time zone changes | | <input type="checkbox"/> Travel to Altitude | <input type="checkbox"/> Fasting |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Alcohol | <input type="checkbox"/> Foods: _____ | | <input type="checkbox"/> Chewing/talking |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Exercise / exertion | <input type="checkbox"/> Position changes | <input type="checkbox"/> Cough/strain | <input type="checkbox"/> Orgasm |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Flashing lights | <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____ | | |

NOTES (Other things you wish us to know):

Thank you!