

Japanese Acupuncture Clinic

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Health Questionnaire

This Health Questionnaire was made for patients who come to see me for autoimmune diseases and other chronic diseases which manifest in multiple symptoms. Please fill out the section "applicable to your need" as accurately as you can. This is essential for the diagnosis procedure and helps me to provide you with better treatment.

This information is absolutely confidential.

Date

Name

Email Address

Street Address

City

ZIP

Phone (Cell)

(Home)

(Work)

Date of Birth

Height

Weight

Referred By

What has been diagnosed by your doctor?

Complaints / Concerns

What do you hope to achieve with me?

List all current medications you are taking:

List all current supplements you are taking:

List any food or other sensitivities I should be aware of:

What are the top 3 health concerns you would like me to focus on?

List any other health issues:

When was the last time you felt well?

Did something trigger a change in your health? If so, what?

What makes you feel worse?

What makes you feel better?

Let me know what you have tried in the past. Describe problems (e.g. Post Nasal Drip) and prior treatment and approach (e.g. Nasal Rinse).

Patient Birth History

term

premature

vaginal delivery

c-section delivery

Pregnancy complications:

Birth complications:

Were you bottle fed or breast fed?

bottle fed

breast fed (enter how long)

Childhood

At what age were you introduced to solid foods?

At what age were you introduced to dairy?

At what age were you introduced to wheat?

Did you eat a lot of candy or sugar as a child?

no

yes

Did you have frequent ear infections?

no

yes

As a child, were you up to date with immunizations?

no

yes

Do you feel that immunizations have had an impact on your health?

no

yes

Did you have any strong reactions to certain vaccinations?

no

yes

Grade School

Did you develop any food or seasonal allergies?

- no
- yes

Did you develop asthma?

- no
- yes

Did you have any serious infections or experience any trauma?

- no
- yes

List any other health issues:

High School

Did you have acne that required antibiotics?

- no
- yes

Did you have mono?

- no
- yes

List any other health issues:

College

List any health issues:

Adulthood

List any health issues:

List the date when you had the following preventative tests done:

Full physical exam

Bone density

Colonoscopy

Cardiac stress test

EBT heart scan

EKG

Hemoccult test
(stool test for
blood)

MRI

CT scan

Upper endoscopy

Upper GI series

Ultrasound

Do you have heart problems?

no

yes

Do you have a pacemaker?

no

yes

Do you have any scars on your face, neck, abdomen or along the spine?

no

yes

Do you have a deviation of your nasal septum?

no

yes

Do you have any ear problems?

no

yes (describe)

Do you have any allergies?

no

yes (describe)

Do you have multiple chemical sensitivities?

no

yes (describe)

Do you have multiple food sensitivities?

no

yes (describe)

Do you have a latex allergy?

no

yes

Do you have metabolic/endocrine problems?

Type 1 Diabetes

Type 2 Diabetes

Hypoglycemia

Pre-Diabetes

Hypothyroidism (Low Thyroid)

Hyperthyroidism (Overactive Thyroid)

Endocrine Problems

Infertility

PCOS

Weight Gain

Weight Loss

Frequent Weight Fluctuation

Binge Eating Disorder

Night Eating Syndrome

Surgeries

Appendectomy

Hysterectomy +/- Ovaries

Gall Bladder

Hernia

Tonsillectomy

Joint Replacement - Knee/Hip

Heart Surgery - Bypass Valve

Angioplasty - Stent

GI Surgery

Caesarean Section

Blood Type

A

AB

B

O

Rh+

Unknown

List dates and reasons for any hospitalizations:

Family History

Please list your immediate family history (e.g., Mother - diabetes, asthma, eczema, Father - hives, food allergies, Gout, Daughter - ADHD, celiac disease, Aunt - Hashimoto's disease, anemia, and obesity):

Do you have any ear problems?

no

yes (describe)

Please list all illnesses, surgeries and accidents:

Travel History

Foreign travel?

no

yes (list when and where)

Wilderness camping?

no

yes (list when and where)

When traveling or camping, have you ever experienced severe Gastroenteritis or Diarrhea?

no

yes

Dental History

Silver mercury fillings?

no

yes

Gold fillings?

no

yes

Gum surgery?

no

yes (list how many and locations)

Root canals?

no

yes (list how many and locations)

Implants?

no

yes

Tooth pain?

no

yes

Bleeding gums?

no

yes

Gingivitis?

no

yes

Problems with chewing?

no

yes

TMJ / nighttime grinding?

no

yes

Do you floss regularly?

no

yes

Nutrition History

Highest adult weight:

Lowest adult weight:

Has your weight ever fluctuated more than 10 pounds?

no

yes

Have you ever made any changes in your eating habits because of your health?

no

yes

If yes, what kinds of diets you have tried?

low fat

low carbohydrate

high protein

diabetic

dairy-free

100% gluten-free

gluten-limited

vegan

paleo

Are you willing to diet if necessary?

no

yes

How often do you weigh yourself?

daily

weekly

monthly

rarely

never

Do you avoid any particular foods?

no

yes (list foods and reasons for avoiding)

Do you grocery shop?

yes

no (list who shops for you)

Do you read food labels?

no

yes

Do you cook?

yes

no (list who cooks for you)

How many meals do you eat out or take out per week?

1-2

1-3

3-5

>5

What are your barriers to eating well?

The most important thing you should change about your diet to improve your health is:

Smoking

Do you currently smoke?

- no
- yes

If yes, how many packs per day?

How many attempts to quit?

Previous smoking: How many years?

How many packs per day?

Do you experience or have you experienced second-hand smoke exposure?

- no
- yes

Caffeine Intake

Do you consume caffeine?

- no
- yes

If yes, what time of the day do you crave caffeine the most?

- first thing in the morning
- mid-morning
- after lunch
- mid-day
- all the time

How many 8oz cups of coffee do you have per day?

- 0
- 1
- 2-3
- >4

What is your favorite type of coffee? (e.g., Starbucks Moccachino)

How many 8oz cups of tea do you have per day?

- 0
- 1
- 2-3
- >4

How many 12oz cans or bottles of caffeinated or diet sodas do you have per day?

- 0
- 1
- 2-3
- >4

List your favorite type of caffeinated or diet soda:

Rate your willingness to temporarily remove caffeine from your diet if advised:

- definitely yes
- maybe yes
- try to cut down
- absolutely NO

Sugar Intake

Do you have frequent sugar cravings?

- no
- yes

If yes, what time of day do you crave sugar the most?

- first thing in the morning
- mid-morning
- after lunch
- mid-day
- all the time

How often do you eat sugary foods or beverages in a week?

Do you add artificial sweeteners to your food / beverages?

no

yes (list sweeteners)

Rate your willingness to temporarily remove sugar from your diet if advised:

definitely yes

maybe yes

try to cut down

absolutely NO

Alcohol Intake

How many drinks do you have per week? 1 drink = 5oz wine, 12oz beer, 1.5oz spirits

0

1-3

4-6

7-10

>10

Rate your willingness to temporarily remove sugar from your diet if advised:

definitely yes

maybe yes

try to cut down

absolutely NO

Drugs

Are you currently using any recreational drugs?

no

yes

If yes, list the type of drugs:

Have you ever used IV or inhaled recreational drugs?

no

yes

Exercise

What is your current exercise program? List the type of activity, number of sessions / week and duration:

Rate your level of motivation for including exercise in your life:

low

medium

high

List any problems that limit activity:

Psychosocial

Are you happy most of the time?

no

yes

Do you feel that your life has meaning and purpose?

no

yes

Do you like the work you do?

no

yes

Stress Coping

Have you ever sought counseling?

no

yes

Are you currently in therapy?

no

yes (describe)

Do you feel that you have an excessive amount of stress in your life?

no

yes

Do you feel that you can easily handle the stress in your life?

no

yes

Rate the following daily stressers on a scale of 1-10:

Work

Family

Social

Finances

Health

Other

Do you practice meditation or relaxation techniques?

no

yes (list how often)

If yes, check all that apply:

Yoga

Meditation

Breathing

Tai Chi

Prayer

Other

Readiness Assessment

On a scale of 1-5, **1 being not willing** and **5 being very willing**, how willing are you to do the following in order to improve your health?

Significantly modify your diet:

- 1
- 2
- 3
- 4
- 5

Take several nutritional supplements each day:

- 1
- 2
- 3
- 4
- 5

Keep a record of everything you eat certain days:

- 1
- 2
- 3
- 4
- 5

Modify your lifestyle (e.g., work demands, sleep habits):

- 1
- 2
- 3
- 4
- 5

Practice a relaxation technique:

- 1
- 2
- 3
- 4
- 5

Engage in regular exercise:

- 1
- 2
- 3
- 4
- 5

Comments:

On a scale of 1-5, **1 being not confident and 5 being very confident**, how confident are you in your ability and follow-through on the above health-related activities?

- 1
- 2
- 3
- 4
- 5

If you are not confident in your ability, what aspects of yourself or your life lead you to question your capacity to fully engage in the above activities?

On a scale of 1-5, **1 being unsupportive and 5 being very supportive**, how supportive do you think the people in your life will be to you implementing the above changes?

- 1
- 2
- 3
- 4
- 5

Comments:

Symptoms Checklist

Autoimmune & Inflammatory Conditions:

allergy
food allergy
sinus allergy
rheumatism
lupus
herpes zoster
Crohn's disease
tendonitis
fibromyalgia
swollen glands
plantar fasciitis (heel pain)
Hashimoto's disease (thyroid)
CFS
warts
AIED (ear)
easily catch cold
atopic dermatitis
myofascial pain
chronic sore throat

Muscular Skeletal:

wrist pain
elbow pain
arm/shoulder pain
stiff neck
hot painful joints
chronic sciatica pain
hip joint pain
medial knee pain
lateral knee pain
patella tendon pain
low back pain
bunions
ankle pain
thumb pain
tightness between scapulas (one-sided)
mid back pain
upper back pain
flat feet or foot problems

Neuro-psychological:

anxiety
panic attacks
nervousness
bad temper
irritable
easily susceptible to stress
dream-disturbed sleep
lack of joy/humor
dark-colored urine
scapula pain / spasm
facial blushing
restlessness
sweaty hands
depression/fear
grief/sadness
vertigo/dizziness
lack of coordination
overthinking
difficulty focusing
excessive sweat
excessive worry
nausea/vomiting
seasonal affective disorder

Heart & Vascular:

rapid pulse (>100/min)
slow pulse (<60/min)
irregular pulse
sleep apnea
feeling of pressure in the chest
shortness of breath
breast tenderness
palpitation
cold sweat
cold hands and feet
HBP
LBP
calf cramps
Raynaud's disease
blood clots
varicose/spider veins
swelling of hands and feet
anemia
feel dizzy or faint when standing up quickly
or standing for a long time

General:

strong thirst
low metabolism
bleed and bruise easily
salty taste in mouth
Gout
loss/thinning hair
edema/water retention
energetic evening through midnight
easily get car sick
craving for sweets
craving for salt
long shower or bath makes you feel dizzy
get spacey/exhausted around 3PM
hate to wake up early in the morning
no energy
no appetite
moody
feel spacey
mucousy

Hormone Imbalance:

hypothyroid
hyperthyroid
lack of stamina
pressure behind eyebrow
high blood sugar
low blood sugar
difficulty falling asleep
wake up around 1-3AM
wake up around 4-5AM
frequent wake up
short-term memory problem

Gastrointestinal:

constipation
loose stool
diarrhea
no appetite
excessive appetite
bloating
indigestion
gas
belching
ulcer
gastritis
heartburn
nausea/vomiting
esophagus pain
IBS
abdominal pain
stomach pain
pain under the right rib cage
hemorrhoids
blood in stool
pasty stool

Head & Eye:

chronic headache
migraine
heaviness on the head
pain behind the eye
poor/blurred vision
visual migraine
darkness under the eyes
color blindness
night blindness
flashing (eyes)
spots in front of eyes (floaters)
eye strain/pressure

Respiratory:

- asthma
- bronchitis
- weak cough
- wheezing
- pneumonia
- weak voice
- frosty phlegm
- yellow phlegm
- white phlegm
- difficult inhale
- difficult exhale
- difficulty breathing when lying down

Skin:

- rashes
- eczema
- psoriasis
- acne
- hives
- allergic dermatitis
- recent moles
- dandruff
- itching
- skin discoloration
- brittle nails
- vertical ridged nails
- fungal infections

Ear, Nose & Throat:

- deafness
- itchy ear/pain/pressure
- tinnitus (low)
- tinnitus (high)
- frequent ear infections
- no sense of smell
- sinusitis
- facial pain
- yellow mucus
- stuffy nose
- constant running nose
- nose bleed
- post nasal drip
- strep throat infections
- feels like always something stuck in throat
- chronic dry/scratchy throat
- difficulty swallowing

Oral disease:

- bleeding gums
- sores on lips/tongue
- dental abscess
- grinding teeth
- bad breath
- TMJ
- toothaches without cavities

Male:

impotence
premature ejaculation
BPH
prostatitis
pain in testicles
low libido
kidney stones
night urination 2+ times
Varicocele
dribbling after urination
pain with urination
nocturnal emission

Female:

infertility
PMS (mood)
menstrual problems
menopause symptoms
endometriosis
uterine fibroids
POD
ovarian cysts
prolapse
low libido
lichen scleroses
premature gray
UTI
left abdominal pain

New Patient Information

Please...

- ...refrain from wearing excessive jewelry.
- ...refrain from wearing perfume, strongly scented oil or lotion.
- ...refrain from bringing a cup of coffee, tea, soft drink or any foods. Water bottles are fine.
- ...arrive at the clinic on time (please see "Late Arrivals" below).
- ...do not cancel on the day of your treatment (yes, there are always exceptions!).
- ...let me know if you have signs of cold (cough, fever, chill, fatigue) and sinus infection.
- ...turn off your cellular phone unless you are expecting an important call from your doctor, your children's school nurse, etc. Please let me know upon your arrival if you need to keep your cellular phone on.

Sanitation and Attire: This clinic uses sterile, disposable needles. Non-insertion techniques are available for children and needle-phobic patients (not for fertility patients). This clinic uses linens, not rolled paper. Since linens cleaned by linen services are treated with strong chemicals and come back very starchy, I clean all linens at my house. However, please feel free to bring your own lines and blankets if you prefer. I suggest you to bring a pair of shorts. Female patients—please wear a bra during the treatment (not sports bra). Draping (blanket) will be provided.

Requests to practitioner: Please email me if anything I need to know about you before the first appointment. For example, you may be extremely noise sensitive, easily overheated, or claustrophobic, etc... I would like you to be as comfortable as possible. Each of the clinic's three rooms has an iPod nano holding 3000 soothing tracks. Please let me know upon arrival if you have any preference of music such as classical, ocean sounds, classical, new age, meditative music.

Schedule, reschedule, or cancel appointments: Please bring your calendar/schedule book/appointment book or simply your smart phone with you! I encourage you to schedule appointments in advance to ensure you receive and retain the time slot you most desire. If you make an appointment in advance but wish to reschedule, it is your responsibility to cancel the existing appointment. In case of inclement weather, I will contact you if the clinic will be closed and to reschedule your appointment. However, I have closed my clinic only twice due to snow storms in the past. Please call, email, or text me by 5PM one day BEFORE your appointment.

Patients who cancel or change their appointments at the last minute three times will no longer be treated. I will email and text you to confirm your appointment a day before your appointment day. If you prefer to receive a phone call instead, please let me know. A minimum of 24-hour notice is required for cancellation and rescheduling, or you will be responsible for 50% of the treatment fee. If you miss your appointment with no advance notice or cancel within 3 hours of your appointment, you will be responsible for the full treatment fee. Cancellation fees are waived in case of emergency or inclement weather.

Late Arrivals: Please be on time so that I will be able to give you a full treatment. I usually treat the front for 25 minutes plus and the back for another 25 minutes plus. I schedule patients at 15-minute intervals. If you are going to be 10-15 minutes late, please email or text me in advance so that I will be able to inform the next patient that "Tamie is 10-15 minutes behind the schedule" to see if it is acceptable to the patient.

Payment and Insurance: Some insurance plans do reimburse for acupuncture. It's your responsibility to call directly and ask to find out whether yours will do. Some health plans impose restrictions on their members, such as limit the numbers of treatments per calendar year and/or the conditions treated (for example: painful period is covered but infertility is not covered, low back pain is covered but not neck pain etc...) so be sure to check on them. The phone number can be found on your insurance card. I am happy to provide you with receipts or monthly statement (superbill) you can submit for reimbursement from your insurance company or from your flexible spending account. Please pay full amount at the time of service. Check or cash are accepted forms of payment. If a check is returned, a fee of \$25.00 will be applied to your account.

Name

Date

Consent to Treatment & Cancellation Policy Form

By signing below, I do hereby voluntarily consent to be treated with acupuncture and/or substances from the Oriental Materia Medica by a licensed acupuncturist, Tamie Taniguchi Bilazzo Lic. Ac. at the Japanese Acupuncture Clinic. I understand that acupuncturists practicing in the state of Massachusetts are not primary care providers and that regular primary care by a licensed physician is an important choice that is strongly recommended by Tamie.

Acupuncture: I understand that acupuncture is performed by the insertion of sterile single use needles through the skin at the certain points on or near the surface of the body in an attempt to treat bodily dysfunction or diseases, to modify or prevent pain perception, and to normalize the body's physiological functions. I am aware that certain adverse side effects may result. These could include, but are not limited to: local bruising (some people are prone to bruising), minor bleeding, fainting, pain or discomfort, and the possible aggravation of symptoms existing prior to acupuncture treatment. I understand that no guarantees concerning its use and effects are given to me and that I am free to stop acupuncture treatment at any time.

With your consent, the following methods are available to be used in conjunction with your acupuncture treatment.

Supplements, Vitamins, Western herbs and Chinese Herbs: I understand that substances (supplements, vitamins, Western and Chinese herbal formulas) may be recommended to me to treat bodily dysfunction or diseases, to modify or prevent pain perception, and to normalize the body's physiological functions. I understand that I am not required to take these substances but must follow the directions for administration and dosage if I do decide to take them. I am aware that certain adverse side effect may result from taking these substances. These could include, but are not limited to: changes in bowel movement, abdominal pain or discomfort, and the possible aggravation of symptoms existing prior to supplemental treatment. Should I experience any problems, which I associate with these substances, I should suspend taking them and call Tamie Taniguchi Bilazzo Lic. Ac. at the Japanese Acupuncture Clinic as soon as possible.

Cupping and Gwa Sha: I understand that I may be asked to receive cupping treatment (good for cold, heavy congested cough, tight neck and back muscles), Gwa Sha (spoon technique used along the spine and neck to release the muscle tightness) at the end of my treatment to modify or prevent pain perception and to normalize the body's physiological functions. I am aware that certain adverse side effects may result from this treatment. These could include, but are not limited to: bruising, sore muscles or aches, and the possible aggravation of symptoms existing prior to treatment. The dark bruised like circle marking will last for a few days after the cupping treatment. I understand that I may stop the treatment if it is too uncomfortable. I will tell Tamie that if I have allergy to oils and lotions (peppermint/aloe/canfor).

Electro-Acupuncture: I understand that I may be asked to have electro-acupuncture treatment. I am aware that certain adverse side effects may result. These may include, but are not limited to: electrical shock, pain or discomfort, and the possible aggravation of symptoms existing prior to treatment. I understand that I may refuse this treatment. I use this type of acupuncture for sciatica, hip, shoulder pain and sometimes used for fertility patient whom wish to increase the endometrial lining and patients who has shown slow response to their stimulation drugs.

Cancellation Policy

I understand if I need to cancel my appointment, then a 24-hour notice is required in order to waive the treatment fee. If I cancel my appointment in less than 24 hours, I agree to pay 50% of the treatment fee, unless it is an emergency that includes inclement weather, family, childcare or car emergencies. In the case of "no call no show" or "the last minute cancellation", I understand I need to pay the full amount of my treatment fee.

I have carefully read and understand all of the above information and I am fully aware of what I am signing. I understand that I may ask my practitioner for a more detailed explanation. By typing my name below, I give my permission and consent to treatment.

Name

Date