

## MDS Alert

### Pain Assessment: 10 Questions Get To The Root Of Parkinson's Pain

As part of your pain assessment of a resident with Parkinson's disease, consider asking these questions:

1. Where is your pain located?
2. What does your pain feel like?
3. Does the pain radiate anywhere?
4. When does the pain occur?
5. Do you have pain continuously or only at certain times?
6. Does the pain occur in relation to any particular activity?
7. What relieves the pain?
8. What makes the pain worse?
9. Do your anti-Parkinson's medications relieve your pain?
10. Do you have arthritis?

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