

Questions for Your Doctor

Hyperthyroidism occurs because of an overproduction of thyroid hormones, which can lead to weight loss, irritability and insomnia.

Before you see your doctor, print this page and add any other questions you may have. Don't forget to bring a pen so you can write down the answers while you're talking with your doctor.

What are the first signs that I may have hyperthyroidism?

How will you diagnose my hyperthyroidism?

How should I prepare for blood tests or imaging tests?

What is the likely source of my hyperthyroidism?

Do I have any of the conditions related to hyperthyroidism?

Do I have Graves' ophthalmopathy?

What are my treatment options? What are the pros and cons of these treatments?

How long will I need to take my antithyroid medication or radioactive iodine?

Can my treatment with radioactive iodine set off radiation detectors, such as at an airport? How long after my treatment is finished could this happen? Should I have a letter from you so I can inform security personnel of this side effect?

Will I need to take a thyroid supplement for the rest of my life?

What is my long-term prognosis?

My Questions
