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Questions to ask your doctor

Print out this sheet, answer these questions and show them to your doctor.

1 Have you been diagnosed with postmenopausal osteoporosis at high risk for fracture?

□ Yes

□ No

2 Since being diagnosed, have you had a fracture?

□ Yes

□No

□ I'm undiagnosed

3 What is your T-score? Is it at or below -2.5?

□ Yes

□ No

🗆 I don't know

4 If you take medicine for postmenopausal osteoporosis, was your last bone density scan more than 2 years ago?

□ Yes

□ No

🗆 I don't know

5 Does your osteoporosis medication frequently irritate your stomach?

□ Yes

□No

6 Are you having difficulty taking your medication as prescribed?

□ Yes

□ No

Conversation starters:

- What is my DXA score and what does it say about my bone strength?
- Does my bone mineral density put me at high risk for fracture?
- If I don't start treating right away, will my bones continue to weaken?
 - With so many treatments out there, which one is right for me?