



Where to get further information following a diagnosis of epilepsy

The following links will signpost you to further information and advice and may be useful following your epilepsy diagnosis.

General information about epilepsy

<u>About epilepsy (Epilepsy Action)</u> <u>Facts about epilepsy (Epilepsy Society)</u> <u>Just diagnosed: How epilepsy might affect you (Epilepsy Society)</u>

Diagnosing epilepsy Diagnosis (Epilepsy Action)

Epilepsy treatments

<u>Treatment (Epilepsy Action)</u> <u>NICE guideline on anti-epileptic drugs (AEDs) (Epilepsy Society)</u> <u>Epilepsy surgery (Epilepsy Society)</u> Vagus nerve stimulation (VNS) therapy (Epilepsy Society)

Epilepsy and first aid

<u>First aid for seizures (Epilepsy Action)</u> <u>First Aid – What to do if someone has a seizure (Epilepsy Society)</u> Putting someone into the recovery position (Epilepsy Society)

Driving and epilepsy

Driving and epilepsy (Epilepsy Action) Driving regulations quick guide (Epilepsy Society) Epilepsy and driving (Gov UK)

Wellbeing (memory, sleep, stress, low mood and depression)

<u>Health and wellbeing (Epilepsy Action)</u> <u>Wellbeing and epilepsy (Epilepsy Society)</u> Sleep factsheet (Epilepsy Society)

Living well with epilepsy (safety, SUDEP, sport and leisure, alcohol, travel, your rights, women's issues, caring for children)

Living with epilepsy (Epilepsy Action) Practical guidance of staying safe (Epilepsy Action) Alcohol and epilepsy (Epilepsy Action) Travel and holidays (Epilepsy Society) Sports and leisure (Epilepsy Action) Maternity epilepsy shared-care toolkit designed for use before, during and following pregnancy (Women with Epilepsy) Pregnancy and epilepsy (Epilepsy Action) Issues for women (Epilepsy Society) Looking after a baby or young child when you have epilepsy (Epilepsy Action) Epilepsy and your rights (Epilepsy Action)

Work and epilepsy

Work and epilepsy (Epilepsy Action) Employment guide (Epilepsy Society)

Benefits

<u>Free NHS prescriptions</u> – ask your doctor for an FP92A form to apply for a medical exemption certificate (MedEx).

Help with health costs (medical exemption certificate) (NHSBSA) Disabled persons bus pass (Gov UK) Help with travel costs (Epilepsy Society) Disabled persons rail card (National Rail). Entitles you to 1/3 off rail travel. What help is available (Epilepsy Society)

Personal independence payment

Personal Independence Payment (PIP) (Epilepsy Action) Personal Independence Payment (PIP) (Gov UK)

Support groups

<u>Epilepsy Berkshire</u> <u>Epilepsy Action face to face groups</u> Sudden Unexpected Death in Epilepsy (SUDEP UK)

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