

# MEDICATION QUESTIONS

## For Your Neurologist

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Hope for HH has created a list of questions to help guide your conversation with your medical provider. These conversations can feel overwhelming and confusing. To maximize the time with your provider, we recommend you identify which questions best apply to your situation and use them as a starting point for the discussion. Being prepared can lessen the fear and improve collaboration.

- 1 What do you expect this medication to do?
- 2 What are the potential side effects both long and short term?
- 3 How long will we have to be on this medication to determine if it is working or not?
- 4 How effective is this medication at eliminating gelastic seizures?
- 5 How can this medication impact learning and memory?
- 6 Can this medication affect behavior – either positively or negatively?
- 7 Will this medication be used alone or with others?
- 8 Are blood tests required to monitor drug levels?
- 9 Is there a difference between the efficacy of name brand versus generic?
- 10 Is there an extended release form of this medication?