The ER

The nurse's questionnaire
The nurse asks me questions about my health.

For example:

- Do I have asthma?
- Do I have epileptic fits?
- Do I have a heart disease?
- Do I have diabetes?
The nurse asks if I have any allergies.

The nurse asks me what I am allergic to.
For example:

- Medication?
- Insect bites?
- Food?
- Animal fur?
- Pollen?
The nurse asks me if I take any medication.

The nurse asks if I drink alcohol.

The nurse asks if I smoke.
The nurse asks if I take drugs.
The nurse asks why I am here.

I am injured.

- The nurse asks how I injured myself.
  For example:

Did I fall down?

Did I cut myself?

Did I get punched?
The nurse asks how I burned myself.

For example:

- With fire?
- With a boiling liquid?
- With a toxic product?
- With a burning object?
I don't feel well at all.

- The nurse asks me why.
  For example:

- Does my chest hurt?

- Am I dizzy?

- Did I lose consciousness?

- Am I having trouble breathing?
The nurse asks how I feel.

The nurse asks if I have fever.

The nurse asks if my head hurts.
The nurse asks if my stomach hurts.

She asks me if:

- I have diarrhea.
- I am constipated.
- I vomited.
The nurse asks me questions about my pain.

The nurse asks me where it hurts.

- I can show her where it hurts:
  - on myself
  - on a drawing
  - in my communication binder.
The nurse asks me to indicate how much pain I am in.

- I can indicate how much pain I'm in on a scale.

- There are different scales:

  The graduated scale.

  The smiley scale.

  The progressive scale.

I can go to the emergency room with my scale.
Find the different scales in the booklet "Indicating and relieving pain".
The nurse asks what my pain is like.

For example:

- **Does it burn?**
- **Is it throbbing?**
- **Do I feel breathless?**
- **Does it feel like it's pressing down on me?**
The nurse asks me when it started.

The nurse asks me if I am always in pain.

- Or only from time to time.
The nurse gives all this information to the doctor.
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