Come prepared for a better conversation with your doctor.



## **Doctor Discussion Guide**

Talking with your doctor about Severe Aortic Stenosis and your treatment options is an important part of getting the help you need. Bring these questions to your appointment to help guide a discussion with your heart team.

It's a good idea to bring along a family member or close friend to help you take notes.

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## **Important Questions to Ask**

- 1. What are my treatment options for Severe Aortic Stenosis?
- 2. Am I a candidate for Transcatheter Aortic Valve Replacement (TAVR)? Yes No
- 3. What more can you tell me about the TAVR procedure?
- 4. How long have you been performing TAVR procedures?
- 5. What risks are associated with TAVR?

**6.** What is cerebral embolic protection, and how does it reduce the risk of stroke during TAVR?

- 7. Do you use cerebral embolic protection for your TAVR patients? Yes No
- 8. What tests will I undergo before the procedure?
- 9. How long does the procedure take?
- 10. How many days will I spend in the hospital?
- 11. Should I plan to have someone with me when I leave the hospital?
- 12. Will I be given information on how to take care of myself when I return home?
- 13. Will I have any restrictions after the procedure?



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