

# **Voiding diary**

Your name

A voiding diary is a tool that your doctor uses to figure out if you are having trouble urinating. If there is a problem, how the problem can be treated.

#### What is a voiding diary?

- A voiding (or bladder) diary can help you keep track of:
  - What you drink: the amount and type of drink
  - The time of day that you drink
  - Whether what you are drinking may be irritating your bladder
  - How much urine you pass
  - Whether you have leaks of urine
- Your urine is measured each time you go to the toilet and written down.
- The information in the voiding diary will help your doctor to understand any problems you may be having with urinating and how to treat it.

#### How do I fill out a voiding diary?

- · Write down every time you go to the toilet.
- Fill out the diary for three days in a row.
- Include all information for 24 hours, not just the hours when you are awake.
- Start recording when you get up on the first day.

Day 1		Day: Monday		Date: Oct. 20	
	Time	Volume (ml or oz.)	Urgency (0 – 3)	Leakage (0 – 3)	Pain (0 – 3)
1	7:45	375ml	1	0	0
2	10:15	225ml	2	1	0
3	12:00	325ml	0	0	0
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- Finish recording when you get up on the **fourth** day.
- To fill out the diary, you will need:
  - A watch to put down the time of day that you urinate
  - A bowl or basin to catch the urine
  - A measuring cup to measure liquid in milliliters (ml) or ounces (oz)
- Women may want to buy an inexpensive toilet insert (at most pharmacies) to collect urine to measure the amount of your urine.

# What do I put in the columns for Urgency, Leakage, and Pain?

#### Urgency (0-3)

"Urgency" is a sudden, very strong need to urinate making it hard to wait to use the toilet.

- 0 no urgency
- 1 mild urgency
- 2 moderate urgency
- 3 severe urgency

#### Leakage (0-3)

Urine leaks out accidentally.

- 0 no leakage
- 1 leak a few drops
- 2 leak about (30 ml) an ounce
- 3 leaks enough to soak pad or clothing

#### Pain (0-3)

Feeling pain when you urinate or feel the need to urinate.

- 0 no pain
- 1 mild pain
- 2 moderate pain
- 3 severe pain

### Please return your completed diary to your physician.

Da	y 1	Day:		Date:	
	Time	Volume (ml or oz )	Urgency (0 – 3)	Leakage (0 – 3)	Pain (0 – 3)
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I used pads today.  Did leakage occur during activity? No ☐ Yes ☐ If yes, what activities?					
Comments:					

Day	y 2	Day:		Date:	
	Time	Volume (ml or oz )	Urgency (0 – 3)	Leakage (0 – 3)	Pain (0 – 3)
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I used pads today.  Did leakage occur during activity? No ☐ Yes ☐ If yes, what activities?					
Comments:					

Day 3		Day:	Date:		
	Time	Volume (ml or oz )	Urgency (0 – 3)	Leakage (0 – 3)	Pain (0 – 3)
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I used pads today.  Did leakage occur during activity? No ☐ Yes ☐ If yes, what activities?					
Comments:					

## Your next appointment has been scheduled for:

Day:	_ Date:
Time:	Location:
Notes:	

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