Questions to ask my doctor about taking my statin medication

Please print this page and discuss the following with your doctor at your next appointment.

Questions	Doctor response
What can happen if I'm not taking my medication as prescribed?	
How can this medication help me?	
Tell your doctor the reason(s) why you're not taking the medication as prescribed or any concerns you have about taking this medication.	
Ask for alternatives or solutions to help you take your medication. Please know, however, that there are no alternatives that replace the statin medication itself which have the proven data to show heart protection. To help assist IN ADDITION to taking your statin medication you can: increase fiber via increased portions of fruits and vegetables, lower your intake of saturated fats, and increase your regular exercise routine.	

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