Multiple System Atrophy Quiz

See how you do on these 25 quiz questions!

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Quiz Question #1

What systems are affected by MSA?

- ☐ Parkinsonism slowness, rigidity, poor balance, tremor
- poor balance, tremor incontinence, erectile dysfunction

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- ☐ REM Sleep Behavior Disorder acting out dreams
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True or False: MSA is a rare disorder?

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True or False: There have been some people with MSA who have lived 20 years with this disease.

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Quiz Question #12

True or False: A possible side-effect of Sinemet (carbidopa-levodopa) is a decline in blood pressure?

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True or False: MSA can affect the body's ability to maintain a proper core temperature.

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It is important to stay cool during hot or humid weather and warm during cooler weather.
Also avoid very hot baths or showers.



Quiz Question #14

True or False: The singer Johnny Cash had a diagnosis of Shy Drager Syndrome.

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The diagnosis was later changed to autonomic neuropathy.



Quiz Question #15

True or False: The singer Linda Ronstadt has a diagnosis of MSA.

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Linda has Progressive Supranuclear Palsy (PSP).



Quiz Question #16

True or False: MSA is more common in men.

☐ True



Quiz Question #16

True or False: MSA is more common in men.

□True



Multiple System Atrophy affects men and women about equally.



Quiz Question #17

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Quiz Question #19

True or False: MSA is usually inherited.

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