

HEALTH ALERT!

Recognizing The Symptoms

(NAPSA)—Learning the symptoms of young-onset Parkinson's disease can make it easier to get a correct diagnosis. However, a recent National Parkinson Foundation (NPF) survey reported that people under 45 are not likely to recognize the symptoms.

The majority of people with young-onset Parkinson's disease see two to three physicians before receiving a correct diagnosis. Recognizing the need for a comprehensive source of information on PD, NPF has launched a Web site, www.parkinson.org.



Learn more about young-onset Parkinson's disease symptoms at www.parkinson.org.

"People can visit their physicians prepared with the most current information and focused questions—which in turn can provide a quicker diagnosis, and ultimately the most appropriate and best available care," says Joyce Oberdorf, NPF's president.

Among young-onset Parkinson's patients, these symptoms are reported: tremor (70 percent), general stiffness (39 percent) and loss of sense of smell (16 percent).

For more information, call NPF toll-free at (800) 327-4545.