



® **Rheumatic Diseases and Microorganisms: Classified by Symptom**

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<p>Abdominal Pain and Tenderness Constipation Fever, Moderate Inflammation of the Vermiform Appendix May Have Constipation May Have Nausea and Vomiting Most Common in Adolescents and Young adults Often Preceded by Bowel Obstruction, Such as Kinking, Swelling of the Lymphoid Tissue in the Wall, or Foreign Body From Fecal Stream Pain Accentuated by Deep Respiration, Coughing or Sneezing Pain Usually Begins Over Pit of Stomach and Moves to Lower Quadrant Swelling in Layers of Appendix</p>	<p>Cecum: <i>Appendix</i></p>	<p>Appendicitis</p>		
<p>Colon Ulcerations, With Inflammation Bloody Diarrhea and Blood in Stool Complications Include Arthritis, Peritonitis, Ankylosing Spondylitis, Sacroilitis, Uveitis, Pyoderma Gangrenosum Fever Hemorrhaging May Occur Mild Abdominal Cramps Mucosa Breaks down Into a Red, Spongy Surface Dotted With Myriad Tiny Blood- and Pus-oozing Ulcerations Starts At Lower Part of Colon But Eventually Involves Entire Colon, or May Attack Most Of the Large Bowel At One Time Symptoms of Excessive Toxins Urgency to Defecate</p>	<p>Colon</p>	<p>Ulcerative Colitis</p>		
<p>After About 6 to 8 Weeks of Pregnancy A Sudden Lower Abdominal Pain May Occur Followed by Fainting Cervix is Tender to Motion Cul-de-sac May Bulge, Yielding Non-Clotting</p>	<p>Female Genitals</p>	<p>Ectopic Pregnancy</p>		

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<p>Blood Gradual Hemorrhage Causes Pain and Pressure Often Uterine Bleeding Precedes Events and There is Irritation in Abdominal Lining Rapid Hemorrhage Results In Hypotension or Shock Spotting and Cramping Pain Usually Begins After First Missed Menstrual Period Symptoms Similar to Threatened Abortion Tender Mass May Be Felt At Fornix Uterus is Enlarged</p> <p>Infection and Inflammation Begins Intravaginally, Usually Infection of Cervix, Uterus or Ovaries Infection Produces Profuse Exudate Leading to Cellular Clumping and Muscosal Folds, Adhesions and Tubal Occlusion Malaise and Low-grade Fever Occurs Predominantly During Late Teens or Early 20s in Young, Sexually Active Women As Result of Infection Profuse Purulent Cervical Discharge May Appear Within 3 to 5 Days of Intercourse Severe Lower Abdominal Pain, Tenderness and Fever Urinary Frequency and Painful or Difficult Urination</p>		Salpingitis		
<p>Older Children Acute Joint Pain and Stiffness Which Is Warm, Tender and Swollen Fever and Chills History of Recent Inflammation of Urethra, Fallopian Tubes, or Bleeding From Vessels of Skin Lesions Increase in Number of Leukocytes in Blood No Response to Anti-inflammatory Drugs Swelling and Escape of Fluid Into Tissues Younger Children Fever Failure to Move Limb Spontaneously</p>	Joints	Acute Bacterial Arthritis		

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<p>Irritable Tenderness Or Pain With Passive Joint Motion</p> <p>Begins With Reddened Area That Does Not Itch Resulting From Tick Bite, But Expands Over Time, Measuring Several Inches Across Cardiac Problems May Occur Clearing of Bite Area Begins in Center Resembling a Bulls-Eye Flu-Like Symptoms: Chills, Fever, Fatigue, Joint and Muscle Pain Irritation At Roots of Nerves Stemming From Spinal Chord May Cause Tingling and Numbness Loss of Appetite May Develop a Rash Which Disappears in a Few Days May Produce Other Symptoms Non-symmetrical Joint Problems Possible Sometimes Neurological Problems Appear: Sensitivity to Light, Stiff Neck, Headache, Sleepiness, Mood Changes and Memory Loss Swelling, Aching Joints For Months or Years At a Time Vague, Migrating Musculature Pains</p>		Lyme Arthritis Disease		
<p>Acute Ear Problems, Fever and Other Systemic Symptoms Constant, Intermittent, Mild Excruciating Pain Diminished Hearing Feeling of Fullness or Pressure in the Ear May Have Discharge of Mucous, Sore Throat, Headache, Allergic Reactions and Other Symptoms Tinnitus and Vertigo</p>	<p>Nose and Throat: <i>Ears</i></p>	Eustacian Salpingitis		
<p>Acute Respiratory Infeciton Nasal Discharge and Obstruction Swelling of the Nasal Mucous Membrane</p>	<p><i>Nose</i></p>			

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<p>Bladder Irritation Enlarged Kidney May be Felt Especially Likely in Females in Childhood or Pregnancy Fever and Chills Flank Pain May Have Abdominal Rigidity May Have Urgency and Increased Frequency of Urination Nausea and Vomiting Rapid Onset Tenderness on Affected Side</p>	<p>Kidney: <i>Bladder</i></p>	<p>Acute Pyelonephritis</p>		
<p>Colicky Fever With Chills Jaundice Intermittent Pain Moderate Tenderness to Touch in Right Upper Quadrant of Abdomen Upper Right Abdominal Pain Usually Bile Ducts Obstructed by Stones or Tumor Usually Very Ill</p>	<p>Liver: <i>Bile Ducts</i></p>	<p>Cholangitis</p>		
<p>Inflammation of Gallbladder, Sometimes With Stones Nausea, Vomiting and Flatulence Pain Occurs At Night, Usually to Right Upper Quadrant of Abdomen, Epigastric Pain and Radiating Pain to the Back Right Upper Quadrant Musculature Often Rigid With Pronounced Tenderness Slight Temperature Elevation Whether Sudden or Gradual, Pain Reaches Plateau and Stays Constant</p>	<p>Liver: <i>Gallbladder</i></p>	<p>Acute Cholecystitis</p>		
<p>Complications Include Secondary Infection and Rupture of the Abscess Into Lungs and Other Body Parts May Be Dull Right Upper Quadrant Discomfort</p>		<p>Nonviral Inflammatory Conditions of the Liver</p>		

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<p>With Tender Enlargement of the Liver and Pain Jaundice May Occur, But At Onset Is Mild Onset Usually Gradual With Intermittent or No Fever Right Upper Quadrant Pain May Be Aggravated By Alcohol Tender Enlarged Liver is Constant Toxic, Wasted, Obviously Seriously Ill</p>				
<p>Dull to Severe Headaches Over Crown May Be History of Infection: Syphilis, Tuberculosis or Cryptococcosis May Be Palsies, Delirium or Confusion</p>	<p>Meninges</p>	<p>Headache</p>		
<p>Blood and Plasma Leaks Into Skin, Mucous, and Adjacent Portions of Cells Bouts of Abdominal Pain Fever and Malaise Leakage Into Joints or Viscera May Have Joint Pain Often Follows Streptococcal Infection Rash or Hives Redness of Skin</p>	<p>Multiple Body Parts or Systems <i>Arteries: Vascular System</i></p>	<p>Allergic Purpura</p>		
<p>Abdominal Pain Acute Feverish Stage Backache Constipation Usually Pronounced Complications May Include Inflammation of the Covering of the Brain, or the Brain, Nerves, Testes, Gall Bladder, Puss in Liver and Bone Lesions Enlargement of Spleen May Be Noticeable Fever, Weakness, Sweats and Vague Aches and Pains Headache Incubation Period Varies From 5 Days to Several Months</p>		<p>Brucellosis</p>		

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<p>Insomnia Irritability Joint Pain Loss of Appetite and Weight loss Lymph Nodes May be Slightly or Moderately Enlarged May Persist for 1 to 5 Weeks, Then Go Into Remission for 2 to 14 Days. Mental Depression and Emotional Instability Onset May Be Acute With Chills and Fever, Severe Headache, Pains, Malaise and Occasional Diarrhea Onset May Be Insidious With Mild Malaise Muscular Pain, Headache and Pain in Back of Neck Followed by Rise in Evening Temperatures Symptoms May Vary During Early Phase Weakness</p> <p>Abdominal Pain Abnormal Hormone Response Allergic Reactions Bloating and Gas Bronchial Infections and Pneumonia Cardiovascular System Problems: Palpitations, Rapid Pulse Rate, Pounding Heart Central Nervous System Problems: Headaches, Poor Brain Function, Poor Short-Term Memory, Fuzzy Thinking Damage to Red and White Blood Cells Depression Enzyme Destruction Fatigue Gastrointestinal Problems: Bloating and Gas, Diarrhea, Abdominal Pain, Gastritis, Gastric Ulcers, Constipation Genitorurinary System Problems: Vaginitis (Recurring) Frequent Urination, Lack of Bladder Control, Itchy Rashesm Urinary Infections (Recurring) May Mimic Many Other Diseases Including</p>		Candidiasis		

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<p>Rheumatoid Arthritis Musculoskeletal System Problems: Muscle Weakness, Leg Pains, Muscle Stiffness, Slow Coordination Rectal Itching Respiratory Problems: Sore Throat, Sore Mouth Sinus Infections, Bronchial Infections and Pneumonia Severe Pre-Menstrual Symptoms (PMS) Weight Gain</p> <p>Arthritis May Continue In The Sacroiliac Joints or to Inflammation of a Vertebra Arthritis Is a Common Recurrence With About One-Half Patients, With Subacute Joint Symptoms Appearing Intermittently for 10 Years or Longer Arthritis Tends to Persist After Eye and Urethra Inflammation Die Down Diarrhea May Precede Onset History of Recent Sexual Exposure Inflammation of Membrane That Lines the Eyelids and Covers Eyeball In Front Inflammation of Mucus From Horny Layer of Skin, Infrequently Inflammation of Tube that Conveys Urine to Bladder Lesions May Occur On Soles and Palms, Starting as Multiple, Small, Yellowish Vesicles That Break, Become Confluent and Form Superficial Ulcers Onset May Be Acute or Subacute Reoccurrences May Occur As Single Symptoms Usually symmetric Joints Are Affected With Preference for Feet, Ankles, Knees and Sacroiliac</p> <p>Acute Inflammation in Joints, Brain, Heart and Subcutaneous Tissues of the Skin Except for Inflammation of Heart, And Effects On It, Joint Pain and Fever Subside Within 2</p>		<p>Reiter's Syndrome</p> <p>Rheumatic Fever</p>		

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<p>Weeks or Less May Be Left With Residual Heart Disease Most Common Among School Children Secondary Difficulties May Develop in Muscles of Heart Without Inflammation</p> <p>The Arthritis Trust of America®/Rheumatoid Disease Foundation, 7376 Walker Road, Fairview, TN 37062</p>				