Questions to Ask Your Doctor (Or Other Healthcare Provider):

1. Do I have a particular health problem? And if yes, what is it?
2. What do I need to do about it and why is it important for me to do this?
3. Does this new medicine replace another medicine I am already taking, or will it interfere or change how I take any of my other medicines?
4. What is the name of my medicine?
5. What symptoms/conditions does this medicine treat?
6. How do I take the medicine?
7. How long will I be on the medicine?
8. What are the possible and most likely side effects of the medicine?
9. How do I manage possible side effects, and when would I contact you?
10. What happens if I don’t take my medicine at the right time or dosage they were prescribed? What happens if I do not take my medicine at all?

Questions to Ask Your Pharmacist:

1. What is the name of the medicine (brand and generic names)?
2. What is this medicine used for? How is it going to help me?
3. When should I notice a difference or improvement?
4. How (example, by mouth or inhaled) and when should I take this medicine?
5. Should I avoid any foods, drinks, or other medicines while taking this medicine?
6. What are the possible side effects and how do I prevent or manage them?
7. What should I do if I miss a dose?
8. How should I store the medicine?
9. Does my insurance cover this medicine?
10. Where can I get written information about this medicine?