

What is Parkinson's Disease?

Parkinson's disease is a neurodegenerative disorder caused by a deficiency of dopamine in the brain. It affects the ability to control movement and has both motor and nonmotor symptoms. The disease is not fatal, but it is progressive and currently incurable.

Primary Symptoms

- T** Tremor: shaking, usually starting on one side
- R** Rigidity: stiffness of the limbs, neck, or trunk
- A** Akinesia: loss or impairment in power of voluntary movement
- P** Posture: posture and balance problems

Treatment for PD



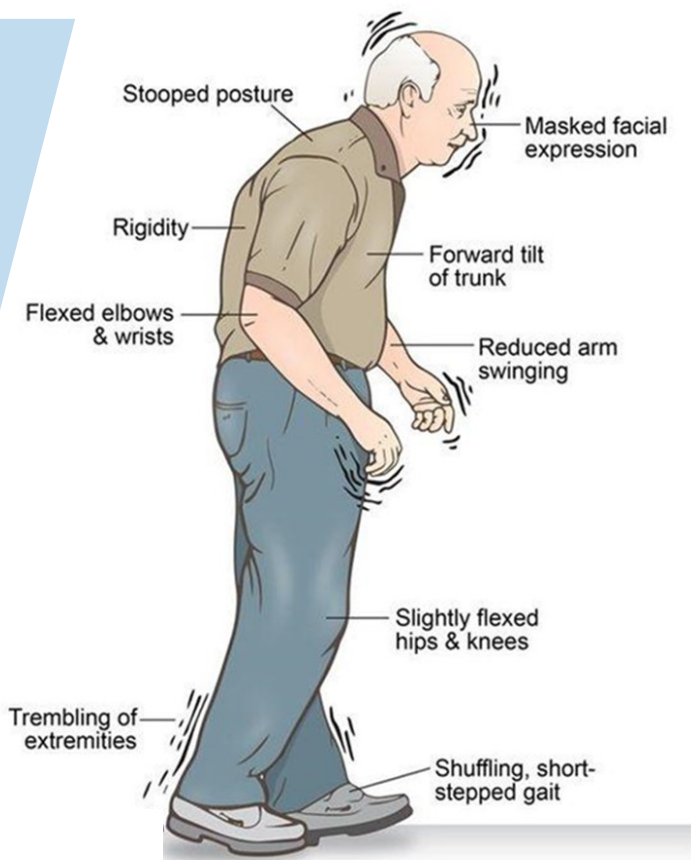
Medicine



Therapy



Exercise



average age of diagnosis

60

15% of those diagnosed ARE UNDER 50

2nd

MOST COMMON neurodegenerative disorder after Alzheimer's

10 million



people worldwide are living with PD

Nebraska

has one of the highest rates of diagnoses in the country



16,286

diagnoses in NEBRASKA alone since 1997

