

Hello, and welcome to iQ&A Parkinson's Intelligence Zone. My name is Dr. Laxman Bahroo. I am an associate professor and residency program director at MedStar Georgetown University Hospital. It is my pleasure to welcome you to this program.

Today we'll be discussing a variety of things, all related to Parkinson's disease. We'll be talking about the diagnosis of Parkinson's-- the clinical features, the diagnostic tests. We're going to talk about medications for Parkinson's and the growing amount of medication classes for Parkinson's disease.

We're going to talk about how to manage medications, how we look at selecting medications for emergence of off times, different types of off times, challenges with regards to the disease. And, of course, we'll be talking about a new and exciting option-- a fractional carbidopa/levodopa immediate release that can be utilized to fine-tune motor function in patients.