QUESTIONS TO ASK BEFORE SURGERY

- 1. What possible problems should I look for after brain surgery?
- 2. What happens after I am discharged from the hospital after brain surgery?
- 3. What type of operation do I need?
- 4. What do you expect the surgery to achieve?
- 5. Will the operation cure my condition?
- 6. Will I need any other procedure after surgery?
- 7. How likely is it that the aneurysm or AVM will come back in the future?
- 8. What are the risks and benefits of this procedure?
- 9. What are the long-term effects of the operation?
- 10. How can I best prepare myself for this operation?
- 11. When I wake up, will I be in intensive care?
- 12. How long will I be unconscious after surgery?
- **13.** What are the possible complications of this type of operation/procedure?
- 14. What will happen if I don't have surgery?
- 15. Is there any other type of treatment I could have?
- 16. How long will it take me to recover?
- 17. How can I help myself recover?
- 18. Who will speak to my family after the surgery?
- 19. Is complete recovery possible?
- 20. What is the timeframe for recovery?
- 21. Are there support groups available?

