Sexual Health Inventory for Men (SHIM)1

Discuss your answers with your doctor today

Over the past 6 months: (circle one response per question)

1. How do you rate your confidence that you could get and keep an erection?

Very low	1
Low	2
Moderate	3
High	4
Very high	5

2. When you had erections with sexual stimulation, how often were your erections hard enough for penetration (entering your partner)?

No sexual activity	0
Almost never or never	1
A few times (much less than half the time)	2
Sometimes (about half the time)	3
Most times (much more than half the time)	4
Almost always or always	5

3. During sexual intercourse, how often were you able to maintain your erection after you had penetrated (entered) your partner?

Did not attempt intercourse	0
Almost never or never	1
A few times (much less than half the time)	2
Sometimes (about half the time)	3
Most times (much more than half the time)	4
Almost always or always	5

Over the past 6 months: (circle one response per question)

4. During sexual intercourse, how difficult was it to maintain your erection to completion of intercourse?

Did not attempt intercourse	0
Extremely difficult	1
Very difficult	2
Difficult	3
Slightly difficult	4
Not difficult	5

5. When you attempted sexual intercourse, how often was it satisfactory for you?

Did not attempt intercourse	0
Almost never or never	1
A few times (much less than half the time)	2
Sometimes (about half the time)	3
Most times (much more than half the time)	4
Almost always or always	5

Add the numbers corresponding to questions 1-5. Total:

The Sexual Health Inventory for Men further classifies erectile dysfunction (ED) severity with the following breakpoints:

1-7	Severe ED
8-11	Moderate ED
12-16	Mild to Moderate ED
17-21	Mild ED

For more information talk with your doctor and visit EDCure.org

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