

Questions to ask a Christian Science nurse when interviewing for yourself or a loved one to be cared for at home.

1. Are they available immediately? How long are they willing to stay?
2. What are their rates? What do the rates include and exclude? Are there any additional requirements or costs? How often will they invoice for expenses and payment for services?
 - a. Travel expenses and pay expected during travel?
 - b. Time off for short breaks during the day? How long are their breaks each day?
 - c. Food while on the case?
 - d. Personal transportation of any sort?
 - e. Are they able to drive the family car if needed for supplies or for the patient to go places?
3. What hours will they be working and what breaks will need to be covered by family or an additional Christian Science nurse?
4. What training and experience have they had?
5. What references can be provided?

Questions a Christian Science nurse will ask you:

1. What are the care needs?
2. What family or friends are around to support patient care and housekeeping?

3. Do you have a Power of Attorney for Health Care and finances?
4. Who is responsible for buying groceries or other supplies?
5. What facilities in the home are available for the nurse to use for privacy, sleeping, and personal care?

A Christian Science nurse will likely ask callers asking for private duty assistance if anyone of their relatives or friends assisting is a Christian Scientist or if they understand what Christian Science care is and have any concerns? In other words, the nurse needs to know what level of mental support she will have from others in the home.