

Guidance: Classification of seizures

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The International League Against Epilepsy is a global organisation comprising epilepsy professionals. In 2017, they published a paper introducing a classification system for different types of epileptic seizures and revised the terminology used by medical professionals to describe these seizures.

The revised terms take into account the three following key aspects when describing seizures:

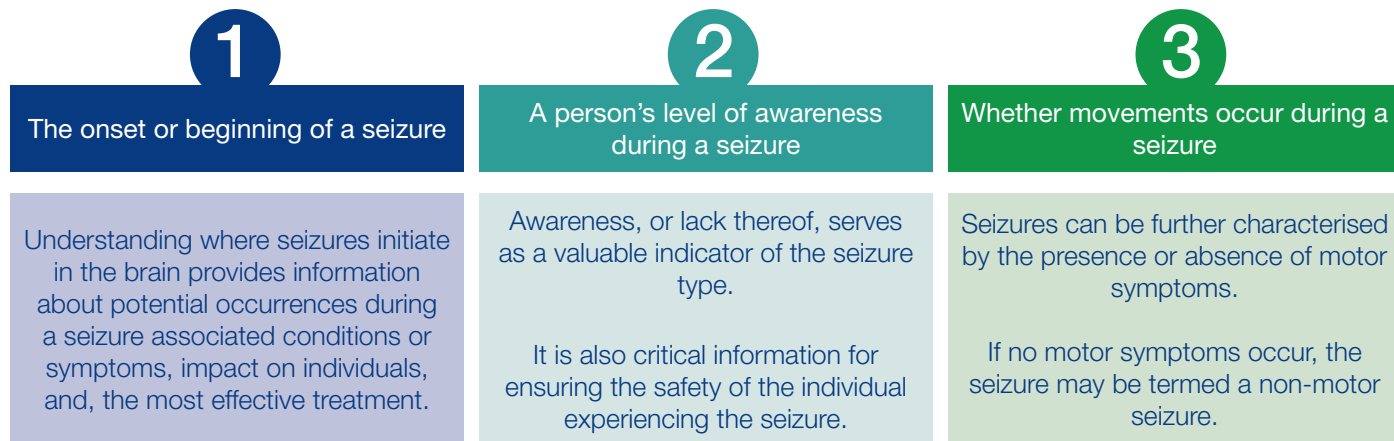
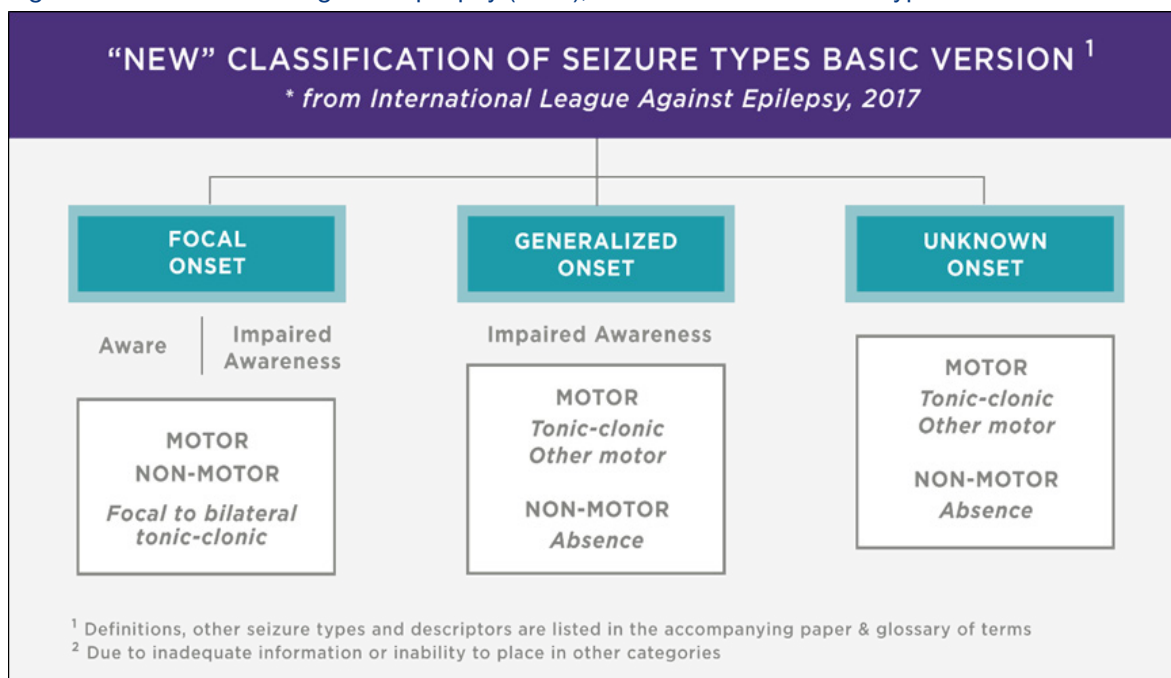


Figure 1: International League of Epilepsy (2017), Classification of seizure types basic version



Source: <https://www.epilepsy.com/what-is-epilepsy/seizure-types>

Call 999 if:

- If the seizure does not stop within 5 minutes of last dose of Midazolam being given (Please refer to the seizure management plan for individual guidance)
- If breathing does not recover for any reason once the seizure has stopped
- If injury that needs medical attention is sustained
- If seizure returns within 24 hours of the last administration of Midazolam
- If this is the person's first Midazolam dose

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