

Table 4**Important questions when taking a patient and witness history⁶****The patient**

- When did the episodes start?
- How many types do you think occur?
- How many have you had?
- Any triggers?
- How do you feel immediately before the episode?
- How long does it last?
- Do you recall anything about the episode?
- What is your next memory after the episode?
- How long did it take to feel back to normal?
- Did you bite your tongue or urinate?
- Did your muscles hurt or was there a headache afterwards?
- What medications do you take?
- Is there a family history?
- Is there a history of head trauma, CNS infection, birth trauma or substance abuse?
- Do you drive?

The eye witness

- How many episodes have you witnessed?
- Do they all look the same?
- What is the first thing you notice?
- What happens after that?
- Do they retain awareness?
- Do their lips go blue?
- Eyes open or closed?
- Are they stiff/rigid?
- Is there jerking? Is it synchronous?
- How long does it last?
- How long before the patient is back to normal?