

QUESTIONS TO ASK MY DOCTOR ABOUT MY CANCER

It is important to us that we answer all of your questions regarding your cancer. We realize this is a stressful time for you and your family and although you may have a lot of questions it might be difficult to try and remember them all, so we encourage you to write them down.

Here are some questions you can use to help get you started. Not all questions may apply to you.

1. What kind of cancer do I have?
2. Where is my cancer located?
3. Has the cancer spread beyond where it started?
4. What's the cancer's stage? What does that mean?
5. What are my treatment options and long-term outcomes?

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6. What are my chances of survival, based on my cancer as you see it?
7. Will I need other tests before we can decide on treatment?
8. What are the chances the cancer will come back after this treatment?
9. What would we do if the treatment doesn't work or if the cancer comes back?
10. How long will treatment last? What will it involve?

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11. Where will treatment be done?
12. Will the treatment hurt? Will I have any scars?
13. What risks and side effects should I expect?
14. What can I do to reduce the side effects of the treatment?
15. How will treatment affect my daily activities?
16. Will I be able to work during treatment?

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17. Will I lose my hair? If so, what can I do about it?
18. Will I be able to have children after treatment?
19. Who should I speak with regarding cost of treatment and if my insurance will cover any of it?
20. What's the goal of my treatment?
21. Should I think about genetic testing?
22. Should I get a second opinion? How do I do that?

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23. Should I think about taking part in a clinical trial?
24. What should I do to get ready for treatment?
25. Should I change what I eat or make other lifestyle changes?

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