

QUESTIONS for the HEALTHCARE TEAM

Take an active role in managing your loved one's care by asking questions to the healthcare team. If you do not understand any part of the information you are given, ask the healthcare provider to explain it in another way.

WORKSHEET FOR CAREGIVERS

Diagnosis

What is my loved one's exact diagnosis?

What is the stage of the disease? (if it applies)

Treatment

What are all of the treatment options available to my loved one?

Is my loved one eligible to participate in a clinical trial?

What is the recommended treatment for my loved one?

Treatment
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What is the purpose of the treatment for my loved one?

What are the benefits and risks of treatment?

How long will the treatment last?

How much time does my loved one have to make a decision about the treatment plan?

Will my loved one's treatment require a hospital stay or will it be an outpatient treatment?

What kind of testing will be done to monitor the disease and its treatment?
How often will the testing be needed?

How will we know if the treatment was effective? What are the options if treatment is not effective?





Side effects

What are the immediate and long-term effects of treatment?

What signs and/or symptoms indicate that I should call the healthcare team or require a visit to the emergency room?

Who can I contact after hours with questions or concerns?

Can my loved one's fertility be preserved before treatment begins?

How will treatment affect sexuality?

Is it possible to get a referral for professional support to help my loved one manage anxiety or depression related to cancer?

Will my loved one need to follow a special diet or avoid any specific foods?

Follow up care

Will the healthcare team continue to check on my loved one once treatment is over?
If so, for how long?

If my loved one experiences long-term effects in survivorship, whom can we contact?

Can you give my loved one (or me) a written follow-up care plan or a survivorship care plan?

Notes



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