

Prostate Cancer Treatment Discussion Guide

Check off the questions you'd like to ask your physician.

Gathering information about your treatment options:

- What are the different treatments for my condition?
- What will the preparation for treatment look like?
- What will the duration of each treatment be? What about the entire treatment plan?

What treatment is right for me?

- Is radiation therapy or a prostatectomy (removal of the prostate) recommended?
- Should we consider laparoscopic or robot-assisted prostatectomy?
- Which kinds of radiation therapy would treat my cancer best?
- Are there other alternative treatments that may work?
- Will there be an impact on my daily routine?
- Will I be able to continue to work?
- What activities will I still be able to do?
- What activities are not recommended during each type of treatment?

Deciding on a treatment plan:

- What are all the treatment options for this stage of cancer? Which are available at this facility?
- How soon must a decision on treatment be reached?
- What is (_____) treatment like? When/Where/How does it happen?
- What are the expected side effects and risk factors with (_____) form of treatment?
- What are the chances that I will suffer from complications during or after treatment? What advanced technologies do you offer at this facility that can help reduce the risk of side effects?

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What sort of side effects can I expect during treatment?

- What are the expected side effects and risk factors with my treatment?
- What are the chances that I will have problems with incontinence or impotence?
- What are the chances that I will have other urinary or rectal problems?
- Should I be worried about side effects after treatment has ended?
- Is there a chance the cancer will come back after treatment?

Other Questions

Notes
