

Questions to ask your healthcare team about cancer treatments

- 1. What are the expected short-term and long-term benefits of this treatment?
- 2. How will we know if the treatment is working?
- 3. When does the treatment need to start? How long will the treatment last?
- 4. If drugs are part of my treatment, what drugs are they and what will they do?
- 5. Where, how, and how often will the treatment be given?
- 6. What short-term side effects might I experience during this treatment?
- 7. How do you anticipate I will feel during treatment?
- 8. How may I need to modify my work schedule or lifestyle?
- 9. Do you expect any changes in my appearance as a result of treatment?
- 10. What side effects or symptoms do I report immediately, and to whom?
- 11. Are there any long-term risks or late effects of treatment?
- 12. How much will the treatment cost? Is it covered by my insurance?
- 13. Who do I talk to about insurance and/or obtaining financial assistance?
- 14. How might my treatment impact my family or friends? Are there any resources my caregivers should be aware of?