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# Working with your care teams

# DURING TREATMENT

Your Medical Home Team and your Oncology Team will help you get cancer treatment. Here's how to work with them to stay as well as possible.

## Your Medical Home Team

Your Medical Home Team treats your health problem and helps you manage symptoms and side effects. **Team members get to know you and your family** over time, and they care about your values and choices. Team members may include doctors, nurses, psychologists, pharmacists, care coordinators, and social workers.

## Your Oncology Team

If you have cancer, you will have an oncology team as well. These cancer experts include doctors, nurses, and social workers.

## Know who does what

Your Medical Home Team and your Oncology Team have different jobs. It can be hard to know who does what. **Here are some questions to ask your Medical Home Team that will help you figure it out.**



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## Questions about treatment

- Will you work with my Oncology Team to come up with a treatment plan?
- Who will coordinate my care?
- How often should I see you for well care visits?
- When should I contact you first about my health problems?
- When should I contact my Oncology Team first about my health problems?
- How can I improve my oncology care?

## Questions about sharing data

- How will you get up-to-date data about my treatments and results?
- Will my Oncology Team send you this data? Or will I need to ask them to send it?
- Is there a place we can all share the same data (such as a secure web site or shared care plan)?

## Questions about help

- Can you help me find rides?
- Can you help me find ways to pay for treatment?
- Can you help me schedule office visits and treatments?
- Can you attend meetings with my Oncology Team, by phone or in person?
- Can you help with problems that my cancer is causing at home or at work?
- Can you help me get support from other cancer survivors during and after treatment?
- Can you suggest other ways to support my care (such as apps, web sites, or video chats)?
- Can you help my family and me with end-of-life planning?

Remember—your Medical Home Team and your Oncology Team are here to help. Ask your team these questions, and any others you might have throughout your care experience.