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### The Conversation: Questions to Ask Your Healthcare Team

Your healthcare providers will be your best source of information about your diagnosis, your treatment, and your quality of life while living with advanced bladder cancer.

### What are the most important things I should know about my diagnosis?

- What type of cancer do I have?
- ? What is the stage of the cancer? Where has the cancer spread to?
- ? Can you explain the results of the pathology report?
- ? Are there other tests that I need at this time?
- ? Are there other specialists I should see?

#### What treatment approach do you recommend?

- ? Why do you recommend this approach?
- ? How does this treatment work?
- ? What is the goal of this treatment?
- ? What side effects should I expect?
  - P How will treatment affect my day-to-day life?

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What can I do to keep myself as healthy as possible during treatment? What should I avoid doing?

What will this treatment cost? Who can I talk to if I am concerned about the cost of treatment?

#### What will happen after treatment?

- ? What will recovery from this treatment be like?
- ? Will I be able to return to work and normal activities?
- ? What lifestyle changes should I make after treatment?
- ? How will we know if the treatment worked?
- ? What follow-up exams and tests should I expect?



What treatment options do I have if the cancer comes back?

If you have a question about any aspect of your diagnosis or care, your healthcare providers will be your best source of information.