

Key Questions to Ask Your Doctor



During Treatment



PALLIATIVE CARE AND QUALITY OF LIFE

- Will quality of life and palliative care be part of my plan during treatment?
- What can I do to feel better?
- Will I need long-term care services?

SYMPTOMS AND SIDE EFFECTS

- How will side effects such as fatigue, hair loss and headache be managed during my treatment?
- Do I need rehabilitative services? If so, how do I access them, which ones and for how long?
- What can I do to manage my side effects?
- How do you recommend I keep track of how I feel, and what do you need to know?
- What should I be watching for to call for immediate help?

SUPPORT

- How will we address mental health support for myself and my caregiver throughout treatment?
- Will I have access to social work support?
- What if I don't meet my rehabilitative goals before my benefits run out?
- Can you tell me about any financial support services, from either the hospital, company that produces my treatment, or local charities, that my family and I can use to help with the cost of my treatment and other hardships we may face related to my brain tumor?
- Will I need to navigate long-term Social Security Disability Insurance (SSDI) and who can help me do that?
- Do you have any special rates for people paying out-of-pocket?
- Who can help me understand Medicare and my state's Medicaid rules for long-term care and my eligibility?

