

During Treatment



QUALITY OF LIFE

- What is [palliative care](#)?
- [What is the difference between palliative and hospice care?](#)
- Will quality of life and [palliative care](#) be part of my plan during treatment?
- Will I have access to social work support?
- What can I do to feel better?
- Are there any vitamins, nutritional recommendations, or complementary therapies you suggest to improve my quality of life and general health?
- Will I need long-term care services?
- How will [side effects](#) such as fatigue, hair loss, and headache be managed during my treatment?
- Will I need rehabilitation services, like speech, physical, or cognitive therapy? Are there rehabilitation centers that focus on neurological recovery that you recommend?
- What if I don't meet my rehabilitative goals before my benefits run out?
- 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?

- How will we address [mental health support](#) for me and my [caregiver](#) throughout my treatment?
- Does your health system offer spiritual support through a spiritual care advisor?

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE QUESTIONS

- 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?
- Can I drive, or will I be able to drive eventually? What do I need to do to be cleared to drive again? Can you recommend any local [transportation assistance](#) programs?
- Should I be planning financially for long-term medical care such as a nursing home or hospice?

Key Questions to Ask Your Doctor



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