

Questions to Ask Your Doctor About Chemotherapy and Side Effects

- 1. Why do I need chemotherapy?
- 2. When should I begin chemotherapy?
- 3. What drugs will I take and why?
- 4. How will chemotherapy be given? How many treatments will I have?
- 5. If I have to go to the hospital for the treatment, how long will each treatment take? Will I need someone to go with me?
- 6. What are the possible side effects? How long will they last? What are the long-term risks?
- 7. Are there medicines I can take to prevent or treat side effects?
- 8. Which side effects should I report to you?
- 9. Are there any integrative and complementary therapies that may help me cope with side effects?
- 10. During treatment, will I be able to continue my normal activities (work, exercise, etc.)?
- 11. Is chemotherapy covered by health insurance?