



Questions About Radiation and Managing Side Effects

What type of radiation therapy will I receive?

How does this type of radiation therapy work?

Will the benefits of radiation therapy outweigh the risks and side effects?

Who will be administering my radiation treatments?

Who can I contact if I have any questions about the side effects?

Who can I contact in case I have emotional problems during radiation treatment?

How long can I expect to receive radiation treatment?

What are the most common side effects for the area that will be treated?

What can I do to minimise short term side effects?

Are there certain foods that I should avoid?

Are there certain foods that I should eat more of?

Can you recommend a good mouth wash?



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Can you recommend appropriate pain medication to help control pain, sores or burns?

Can you recommend any complementary or alternative medicines to help control side effects?

Can you recommend a dentist that is familiar with common needs before, during and after radiation therapy?

How might radiation therapy affect my regular activities?

Will I need a feeding tube?

If so what type of feeding tube do you recommend?

Are there long-term side effects that I should be concerned or aware of?

What can I do to minimise the long-term side effects?

Do you recommend follow up therapy for speech or swallowing after I complete my radiation treatment?

If so, who should I see about speech or swallowing treatment?
