



# YOUR FIRST ONCOLOGY CONSULTATION LEAFLET

(This is the sheet you use when you first come to Oncology)

Your name \_\_\_\_\_ Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Today's Date \_\_\_\_\_

1. What have you been told so far about your cancer?

2. What would you like to know today about:

a. Your cancer diagnosis:

b. Your prognosis (whether you can be cured or not)

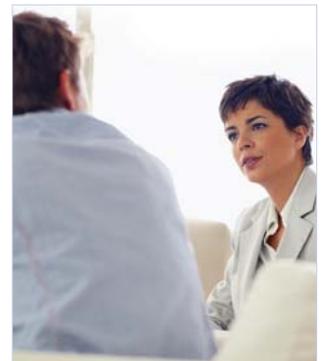
(Please tick the relevant box)

- I would like to know the whole picture, including all possibilities, even if this is bad news
- If **I CANNOT BE CURED** I want to know the basics but I **DO NOT** want the doctor to estimate how long I might live for

We appreciate these are difficult questions. There is no right or wrong answer and your need for information may change. Your doctor will however, find it helpful to know what you are thinking today.

3. Please consider which of the 5 statements best describes your wish for involvement in treatment related decision-making and tick the relevant box next to it:

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| A. I prefer to make the decision about which treatment I will receive   | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| B. I prefer to make the final decision about my treatment after seriously considering my doctor's opinion               | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| C. I prefer that my doctor and I share responsibility for deciding which treatment is best for me                       | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| D. I prefer that my doctor make the final decision about which treatment will be used but seriously consider my opinion | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| E. I prefer to leave all decisions regarding treatment to my doctor   | <input type="checkbox"/> |



4. What else would you like to know today?

5. Any other comments

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You might find it helpful to think about the following points AFTER you have had your consultation and make some notes to help prepare you for your next consultation with your doctor:

6. Were all your questions answered and if not was there a reason for this?

7. Do you have any questions for next time?

8. It might be helpful if you made a note of the main points the doctor discussed with you.

9. Any other comments