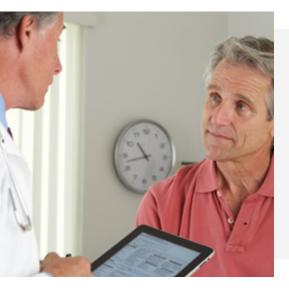


## **14 QUESTIONS**

TO ASK YOUR DOCTOR ABOUT MESOTHELIOMA

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Life after a mesothelioma diagnosis can be scary. Thankfully, our Patient Advocates are here to support you alongside your mesothelioma specialist through your entire journey.

Your doctor should be a source of information and tell you everything you need to know about mesothelioma. Other patients we've worked with often find it helpful to create a list of questions to ask their doctor. Here are a few suggestions to start the conversation.

## QUESTIONS ABOUT YOUR MESOTHELIOMA DIAGNOSIS & TREATMENT

- 1. Based on what you know so far, what is my prognosis?
- 2. What are my treatment options?
- 3. What are the risks of the treatments you suggest? Do the benefits outweigh these risks?
- 4. What side effects can I expect? How will I know if my side effects are normal or require medical attention?
- 5. How will this treatment affect my daily life?



- 6. Are there steps I should take to get ready for my treatment?
- 7. How will we know if the treatment is working?
- 8. Will I have to stay in the hospital or cancer facility while I am being treated, or will my family be able to take care of me?
- 9. Where do you recommend I go for treatment? Should I get treated through at a VA medical center if possible?
- 10. Will I be able to care for myself during and after treatment?
- 11. Will my health insurance and/or VA benefits cover my treatment expenses?
- 12. Should I consider participating in a clinical trial?
- 13. Will I be able to resume my normal activities, such as going to work, exercising, and participating in my hobbies?
- 14. Should I get a second opinion? If so, can you recommend another specialist?



## RECEIVE YOUR FREE MESOTHELIOMA VETERANS PACKET

The Mesothelioma Veterans Center and our team of Patient Advocates are here to educate and ease some of the uncertainties of a mesothelioma diagnosis.

We have made a <u>FREE Mesothelioma Veterans Packet</u> that provides you and your family with information about mesothelioma, including:

- · What to expect after a mesothelioma diagnosis
- Latest mesothelioma treatment options
- How to improve your prognosis
- Mesothelioma VA benefits for veterans
- Financial assistance for treatment costs





Our Patient Advocates are available 24/7 to answer your questions and listen to your story.

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