Social Work Services for Head and Neck Cancer Patients

Your medical team understands that treatment for head and neck cancer can present many challenges to you and your loved ones.

Whether you are in the hospital or being treated at a clinic, oncology social workers are available to help you. Oncology social workers at The James are licensed professionals who have master’s degrees in social work. They are trained to address the needs of cancer patients and their caregivers. Oncology social workers are available to provide counseling and help for needs such as:

- Coping with the unique issues related to your cancer.
- Coping with social or emotional problems which may be made worse by your cancer diagnosis.
- Information and referral to community agencies that may help you with transportation to medical appointments.
- Information about services for people with head and neck cancer such as support groups, peer support and Internet sites.
- Information about applying for disability programs.
- Counseling for substance abuse problems and treatment choices.
- Advance directives (Living Wills and Health Care Power of Attorney).
- End of life issues.

You may contact the Social Work Department by calling 614-366-5119.

My social worker is:________________________________________