

Instant-Info: Chemotherapy

I. General cancer information by phone:

American Cancer Society @ 1-800-227-2345 (24 hours)

National Cancer Institute @ 1-800-422-6237 (only daytime)

II. General cancer information on websites recommended by the Medical Library Association:

American Cancer Society @ www.cancer.org

Association of Cancer Online Resources @ www.acor.org

Cancer Care, Inc. @ www.cancercare.org

National Cancer Institute @ www.cancer.gov

Also: People Living with Cancer @ www.plwc.org

III. Specific information on Chemotherapy:

1. www.cancer.org / drug section gives mechanisms of action, side effects
2. www.cancersource.com / good section on drugs and side effects
3. www.nlm.nih.gov/medlineplus/druginfo/ / drug information, both prescription and over-the-counter medications
4. www.cancer.gov / good information on chemotherapy and on how to deal with side effects from their booklets “Chemotherapy and You” and “Eating Hints.”
5. www.fda.gov/oc/od/cancer/ U.S. Food and Drug Administration. Product Approvals by Cancer Indications- Cancer type or alphabetical listing
6. Drug manufacturers also have patient information on their Web sites:
www.amgen.com / Amgen
www.bayerpharma-na.com / Bayer Pharmaceutical Division, U.S.
www.bms.com / Bristol-Myers Squibb Company
www.gsk.com / GlaxoSmithKline
www.pfizer.com / Pfizer, Incorporated
www.novartis.com / Novartis Pharmaceuticals Corporation
7. **FREE** brochures:
After Diagnosis: a guide for patients and families / from American Cancer Society
Understanding Drug Therapy and Managing Side Effects / from The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society
8. books to be used in the library:
Cancer Combat by Dean and Jessica King / p. 137-157
The Cancer Dictionary by Roberta Altman / p. 66-68
Cancer Sourcebook edited by Edward J. Prucha / index, p. 1021-22
Caregiving by Peter S. Houts, PhD / p. 7-11
Choices by Marion Morra / p. 162-171; 247-306; index, p. 1082-83
The Complete Cancer Survival Guide / p. 243-249; index., p. 955
Everyone’s Guide to Cancer Therapy by Malin Dollinger / p. 71-82
Informed Decisions by Harmon J. Eyre / p. 191-214; index, p. 754
Supportive Cancer Care by Ernest H. Rosenbaum, MD/ p.30-42; index p.484