



FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Frequently Asked Questions - Physicians

- When should patients be referred to a specialist?
- The patient is not responding to the pain medications. What should I do?
- What realistic expectations for pain therapy should I discuss with my patients?

Frequently Asked Questions - Patients

- Will I become addicted to the medications prescribed to control my cancer pain?
- You are giving me more pain medication. Does this mean I am getting sicker?
- What do I do about breakthrough pain?
- Will these pain medications cure my cancer?
- Can I stop taking these pain medications when I have finished my cancer treatment?
- Will these medications affect how my other medications work?
- Will these medications affect my liver or kidneys?