



SAN DIEGO BRAIN TUMOR FOUNDATION

Supporting the Needs of Patients & Families

TEN IMPORTANT QUESTIONS TO ASK YOUR DOCTOR

1. Is my tumor benign or malignant?
2. What is the name and grade of my tumor?
3. What are the treatment options?
4. What are the side effects of each treatment option?
5. Which treatment would you take if you had my tumor?
6. If I am more interested in quality of life rather than how long I live, which treatment would you recommend?
7. Are there any clinical trials for which I am eligible, and what questions are those clinical trials asking?
8. Do you have the equipment necessary to deliver stereotactic radiosurgery and fractionated stereotactic radiation therapy?
9. If I wanted a second opinion from another radiation oncologist, whom would you recommend?
10. What factors do you look at to predict how I am going to do?