



The Society of Thoracic Surgeons

Questions to Ask the Doctor Lung Cancer

- Will my condition ever get better without treatment? Can it get worse?
- What is the survival rate for the type of cancer I have?
- What are my treatment options?
- What are the potential side effects of this treatment?
- How often do you perform the procedure that you've recommended for me?
- What is the success rate for that specific procedure?
- Are there any lifestyle changes I can make now?
- When should I seek medical attention if I am experiencing symptoms following treatment?
- Will I have any restrictions after treatment? (activity, driving, etc)
- How long will I be out of work?
- Will I have to change my diet and/or lifestyle after treatment?
- Will I have to take any long-term medications?
- How likely is it that I will need additional treatment later?
- Are there any clinical trials relevant to my cancer?
- If I want a second opinion, how would I get one?