

CARING FOR A CHILD WITH CANCER

Here are some tips to help your child stay strong while coping with colon cancer or other types of cancer.



Ask the doctors about the type of treatment and its effect on your child to stay prepared.



Let your child know that you understand their emotions, and let them open up to you when they are ready.



Stay strong. Try not to spill your stress onto your child and let them take your strength to heal.



Help them stay connected with their friends via video calls and online games and keep them distracted with fun family activities.



Prepare for hair and weight loss changes by buying a cool cap or wig and seek a dietician in advance.



You may check these organizations that provide care and support to children with cancer and their families.



The American Cancer Society has a host of information on cancer caregiving tips where one can reach out to survivors for support.



The Children's Cancer Center, a non-profit organization, has a crop of programs and activities for cancer-stricken children and their families.



The American Psychosocial Oncology Society provides counseling services for mental health and psychosocial aspects while battling cancer.

References

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