EPICC Screening Tool

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Screening Tool Frequency and order

Screening tool	Initial Screen	1-to-4 weeks	At / after	At / after
& Frequency		repeat screen	30 days	60 days
ESAS-r	Х	Х	Х	Х
Canadian Problem Checklist	X		Х	Х
Nutrition Screening Tool	X		Х	Х
Advanced Care Planning	Х			Х

ESAS-r

Commentary: The ESAS-r is the Edmonton Symptom Assessment System, revised. It is a national standard for assessing key symptom in cancer care. Based on EPICC patient data, sleep and constipation have been added to the ESAS-r, using research-tested wording.

Please select the number that best describes how you feel NOW:												
	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	
No pain												Worst possible pain
No tiredness												Worst possible tiredness
(tiredness = lack of energy)												
No drowsiness												Worst possible drowsiness
(drowsiness = feeling sleepy)												
No nausea												Worst possible nausea
No lack of appetite												Worst possible lack of appetite
(0 = full appetite, 10 =												
complete loss)												
No shortness of breath												Worst possible shortness of breath
No depression (= feeling sad)												Worst possible depression
No anxiety												Worst possible anxiety
(anxiety = feeling nervous)												
Best feeling of wellbeing												Worst possible wellbeing
(wellbeing = how you feel												
overall)												
Best sleep (in last 24 hours)												Worst possible sleep
No constipation												Worst possible constipation
No												Worst possible other problem
other problem												
(for example, diarrhea)												

CPC (Canadian Problem Checklist)

Commentary: Items in the CPC are adapted based on local needs and available services. Several of these items produce alerts for specific supportive cancer care services and pharmacy check-ins.

Please check all of the following items that have been of concern or a problem for you in the past week including today:						
Emotional ☐ Fears / Worries ☐ Sadness ☐ Frustration / Anger ☐ Changes in appearance ☐ Intimacy / Sexuality ☐ Coping ☐ Changes in a sense of self ☐ Loss of interest in everyday things	Informational ☐ Understanding my illness / treatment ☐ Talking with my health care team ☐ Making treatment decisions ☐ Knowing about available resources ☐ Quitting smoking ☐ Taking Medications ☐ I have considered suicide ☐ I want information on medical assistance in dying (MAiD)	Practical ☐ Returning to work / school ☐ Affording costs or loss of income ☐ Getting to & from appointments ☐ Where to stay during treatment ☐ Drug costs ☐ Child / family / elder care				
Spiritual ☐ Meaning / purpose of life ☐ Faith	Social / Family Feeling a burden to others Worry about family / friends Feeling alone Relationship difficulties	Physical ☐ Concentration / Memory ☐ Diarrhea ☐ Swallowing ☐ Communication difficulties ☐ Falling / Loss of balance ☐ Tingling / numbness				

MST (Malnutrition Screening Tool)

Commentary: This is a validated, internationally used tool.

1. Have	you lost weight recently without trying?
	No [will take person to question 2] Unsure [will take person to question 2] Yes [if yes, the following sub-question appears]
	If YES, how much weight have you lost?
	 2 to 13 lbs / 1 to 6 kg 14 to 23 lbs / 7 to 10 kg 24 to 33 lbs / 11 to 15 kg More than 33 lbs / 15 kg Unsure
2. Have	you been eating poorly because of a decreased appetite?
_	No Vas

Advance Care Planning

Commentary: It is important to support patients in making advance care plans before their health situation becomes critical (that is, not during symptom crises or near end-of-life). These questions provide a way for patients and health care providers talk about advance care planning regularly and ensure our documentation is up-to-date.

Creating your personalized health care plan

Advance care planning is when you think about what matters to you, what a good day looks like, how your personal beliefs and wishes fit into your future healthcare and personal care, and then sharing your wishes and preferences with others. It also means deciding who will speak for you if you cannot speak for yourself. Your BC Cancer health care team can help you start or update your planning documents at any time.

Regarding your personalized health care plan, select all that apply:

- 1. I have an advance care plan
- 2. I have named a substitute decision maker / spokesperson if I cannot speak for myself
- 3. I'd like to talk with someone about advanced care planning

[If either 1 or 2 is selected, a popup appears: You have indicated either that you have an advance care plan or have named a substitute decision maker. Please consider if the documents and contact information are up to date, and sharing a copy with your BC Cancer care team and your family doctor]