

David: 63 yr old man with a recent pathological femur fracture secondary to multiple myeloma

David has a recent diagnosis of multiple myeloma with bone involvement. He was very surprised by this diagnosis and is quite anxious about the process moving forwards in terms of chemo, radiation, and surgery. He does NOT like to be called Dave.

He is a very active person, enjoying both swimming and playing basketball. He is concerned about being able to do these activities again in the future. He likes the idea of trying water physiotherapy as part of his recovery plan.

He would like the care team to know that his faith is very important to him and he would like spiritual care to be a regular part of his team. He works as a chaplain in the community.

He is married to his wife for over 20 years, and has 3 daughters. Only one daughter is local, the other two live out of state. He would like his wife to be present for conversations regarding his care and treatment plan.

He likes to use sarcasm and dry humor as a coping mechanism. He appreciates this type of humor and would like the care team to know that some comments may sound dark or bizarre but this is how he copes. He would rather "laugh than cry", and is okay with staff joking with him as well.