

PDQ Day 1

Pt initials: D.W-S.

Year of Birth: 1970 (?)

D is a woman who has been admitted to hospital with bone cancer. Upon meeting D, her primary complaint is pain. She is in a lot of pain, and feels as though no one has taken the time to address her pain. D is upset that her meeting with her doctor was so brief, and that she didn't have a chance to voice her concerns about pain management. She feels as though the doctor "had their own agenda". D was appreciative when writer offered to communicate these concerns to the medical team.

D also voiced some significant psychosocial stressors. She is concerned about her family. Her grandson has been sick and in and out of hospital. She would like to help out her son and daughter in law with their other young child, by taking care of her granddaughter and babysitting, but unfortunately, she is unable to do this, dealing with her own health challenges. She also spoke of her other child, a daughter, who is going through a break up. D expresses worries that she is a burden to her family, and feelings of helplessness and powerlessness.

D spoke about uncertainty in regards to if she wants treatment for her cancer. She states that she is currently lacking strength, and asked writer for suggestions. D and writer began to speak about faith and spiritual strength before running out of time.