

PDQ Class One

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Erica is a 60 year old woman with stage 4 metastatic ovarian cancer. She is aware that her illness is life limiting. Erica came to us in palliative care today to consult on how best to care for her as she faces her end of life.

Erica was invited to share some information about who she is as a person beyond her medical treatments and diagnosis;

Erica was happy to share with the care team that she is married and her husband's name is Bill. They have two adult children Jan and Adu whom she worries about. Erica has always been the main care giver at home. She often worries quietly about her husband Bill and how he will cope after her death.

Erica also indicated that spirituality was very important to her and she draws from the Buddhist teachings for some as well as connectedness to other sources.