



Sex and Cancer



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Our Program in Integrative Sexual Medicine (PRISM) welcomes all patients affected by cancer.

FINALLY. A program for all patients and the people who love them to talk openly about how cancer affects sex. Get answers from experts who are compassionate, knowledgeable and sensitive, and who are international leaders in the field of sexual medicine. **PRISM** is a multispecialty telemedicine treatment program where patients affected by cancer can preserve and recover a full sexual life.

Understanding how cancer affects sexual function

Patients with cancer sometimes experience sexual problems that can develop as a result of their illness, treatment and recovery process. Our multidisciplinary team members are international leaders in sexual medicine and therapy. They specialize in treating patients affected by cancer. We offer private, personalized and straightforward information that benefits patients of all ages, sexual identities and relationship types.

Sex matters

We help patients learn about, prepare for and cope with sexual function concerns related to cancer symptoms or treatment. We help patients understand what's happening to their bodies and how to manage these conditions.

Our mission is to preserve and improve sexual function in patients affected by cancer.



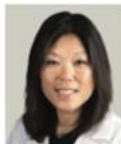
We provide care for all people, of all genders and sexual identities, who feel a gynecologic approach to sexual medicine would be of benefit.

Meet the team



Stacy Tessler Lindau, MD, MAPP
Gynecology and Program Director

Specializing in the preservation and study of sexual medicine of women through all stages of their lives.



S. Diane Yamada, MD
Chief, Section of Gynecologic Oncology

Specializing in the diagnosis and treatment of gynecological cancers.



Delaney Romanchick, BA



Tania Mendoza, BS

Patient Health Educators

Specializing in patient education and connection to resources to preserve and improve sexual function.



Amy Siston, PhD
Psychology

Specializing in individuals, couples and sex therapy for adults affected by cancer.



Kenarr Matoesian, DPT
Physical Therapy

Specializing in pelvic health and empowering patients to help themselves and to return to normal function.

Common questions our patients ask:

- » What effect will cancer have on my sex life?
- » How will the treatments affect my ability to have sex?
- » Can I have sex again without pain?
- » It's been a long time since I've had sex. Is it safe to start again?
- » Is there anything I can do to improve my sex life after cancer?

We help patients with cancer manage and recover from:

- » Painful sex
- » Vaginal dryness
- » Loss of interest in sex, low libido and fear of sex
- » Difficulty having orgasm
- » Little or no pleasure with sex
- » Uncertainty about physical changes, including genital changes, after cancer
- » Incontinence or fears about loss of bowel or bladder control during sex

We offer patients and their loved ones candid, compassionate and confidential information about:

- » How cancer and treatments might affect future sex life
- » How to talk about sex with parents and partners
- » Sexual development after cancer treatment

Call 773-702-6118 to make an appointment
For more information, visit UChicagoMedicine.org/prism



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PRISM is part of the University of Chicago Comprehensive Cancer Center, which pursues innovative ways to prevent, detect, diagnose and treat cancer, and help its survivors. The Center expands understanding about cancer through laboratory, clinical and translational research, clinical trials and community outreach. **Cancer.UChicago.edu**

About WomanLab

Dr. Stacy Tessler Lindau is director of WomanLab, a web-based media campaign, co-created with patient advisors, physicians, and thought partners, to educate women about their options when facing issues surrounding sexuality post-cancer diagnosis. To learn more or become involved, visit **WomanLab.org**.