



Meet **Your Social Worker**

The Camden Clark Medical Center Cancer Institute, in conjunction with WVU Medicine, provides social services to our patients and families. The Social Worker is available Monday through Friday from 8:30am - 5pm and provides services at no cost to our patients.

What does an oncology social worker do?

Oncology social workers are licensed professionals, within the field of social work, that provide assistance with a broad spectrum of needs. The National Comprehensive Cancer Network (NCCN) classifies these concerns into two main categories:

Illness Related Concerns:

- Financial concerns related to cost of medications
- Lack of transportation to medical appointments
- Benefits / programs such as Medicaid, SSI, and Social Security Disability
- Employment / insurance concerns
- Cultural or language barriers
- Community resources
- Obtaining wigs, hairpieces, or hats

Concerns Related to Social and Emotional Needs:

- Coping with life changes related to a diagnosis of cancer
- Family conflict
- Transitions in treatment/healthcare
- Advanced directives (Medical Power of Attorney, Living Wills)
- Cancer Services Peer Support Group
- Abuse and neglect issues
- Domestic violence
- End-of-life issues
- Bereavement



You may request to speak with the social worker while you are in clinic. Additionally, you are welcome to call at your convenience.

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