

Androgen Deprivation Therapy Monitoring and Management of Adverse Events

Your doctor has recently started you on ADT. Although ADT is very important for the management of prostate cancer, it can have some side effects that require monitoring and sometimes treatment. This sheet has been designed to identify some of the side effects that may occur. Many of these side effects are managed by primary care providers.

Please show this to your prostate cancer doctor and your primary care provider at every clinic visit.

Patient and provider information	on						
Patient name:				Da	ite of birth:	MM/DE)/YY
Prescriber and role:			Urologist	Medical oncologi	st Radia	ation oncologist	Other
Primary care provider:							
Prostate cancer diagnosis							
Localized/locally advanced Biochemical recurrence Metastatic hormone sensitive Non-metastatic castrate resistant Metastatic castrate resistant							
Date of initial prostate cancer diagnosis: MM/DD/YY Date (s) of progression: MM/DD/YY							
Type of therapy: Medical Surgical (bilateral orchiectomy) Start date of medical therapy or date of surgery: MM/DD/YY							
Expected duration of therapy: Less than 6 months 6 months to 3 years Life long Details of ADT							
Medical therapy details: Name of drug:			Dose:	Route	:	Frequency:	
Administered by: Home injection program Prostate cancer doctor Primary care provider Other Continuous Intermittent							
Other details:							
Past medical history							
Diabetes Dyslipidemia Hypertension Elevated BMI Cardiovascular disease Stroke Falls risk Other							
Colour Legend Manag	ed by PCP	Manag	ed by specialist	Mana	ged by PCP a	nd specialist	
ADT Adverse Events							
Adverse event	Management (assess	s every 6-12 mo	onths while on t	herapy) I	Date: N	IM/DD/YY	
Cardiovascular disease Increased risk for cardiac events Increased risk for stroke	Assess for symptoms of cardiovascular disease (eg. angina, SOB, decreased exercise tolerance, symptoms of HF, claudication) * Patients with a history of stroke or MI may be at increased risk for further major cardiovascular events as a result of ADT use and may benefit from referral to cardio-oncology			ation) r major cardiovascular	Symptoms Yes No Referral Yes No		
Increased risk for DVT/PE	Check and maintain good blood pressure control				BP		
	Counsel regarding importance of smoking avoidance/cessation			essation	Smoker Yes No		
Body composition Increased BMI Increased percentage body fat Decreased muscle mass	Maintain a healthy wei Recommend 150 minu preferably in a supervi	ites of aerobic a	nd resistance exe	ercise per week,	Neight (kg) Height (cm) Meeting goal?	Waist circum BMI (kg/m²) Yes	ference (cm)
Metabolic changes Insulin resistance/glucose intolerance Increased risk for diabetes Worse glycemic control Altered lipid profile Increased risk for metabolic syndrome	Assess lipid profile and Assess glycemic contro best practice Assess for metabolic s	ol and treat hype	erglycemia/diabe	tes as per ractice l	ODL-C nonHDL-C nonHDL	Yes No	%

ADT Adverse Events							
Adverse event	Management (assess every 6-12 months while on therapy)	Date: MM/DD/YY					
Bone health Decreased bone mineral density Increase risk for osteoporosis Increased risk for clinical fractures	Calcium and vitamin D supplementation * Recommend calcium 1200 mg PO daily from dietary sources and supplements and vitamin D 800-2000 IU PO daily Baseline calcium level Baseline 25-hydroxyvitamin D level Osteoporosis screening and management For men with expected duration of therapy >1 year: Baseline bone mineral density *Men on ADT are at increased risk for osteoporosis and clinical fractures. Recommend screening and management of osteoporosis in Canada for all men on ADT *DXA should be repeated every 2–3 years in men at low risk for fractures receiving ADT. In men with osteopenia or those at moderate or high risk for fractures, DXA should be repeated every 1–2 years until treatment cessation. Patients started on pharmacological therapy should have followup DXA to assess for treatment response.	Alcohol consumption Yes No Receiving recommended doses? Yes No Screening? Yes No Osteopenia? Yes No Osteoporosis? Yes No Treatment indicated? Yes No Details of treatment:					
Hot flashes Feeling hot and experiencing sweats	Identify and avoid triggers Various medications are available and may help your symptoms Consider acupuncture	Hot flashes Yes No					
Breast events Breast growth and/or tenderness	If you are experiencing this side effect let your prostate cancer doctor know. There may be treatment options available, including hormone therapies, radiation and surgery.	Breast events Yes No					
Cognitive function Possibly decreased concentration, memory loss, dementia and depression	Monitor your symptoms and let your providers know if you experience any changes.	Changes in cognition Yes No					
Fatigue and anemia Feeling tired and low hemoglobin levels	Exercising regularly helps with fatigue. Work up secondary causes of anemia and referral to hematology if hemoglobin level drops more than 10mg/dL	Fatigue Yes No Last HGB level					
Impaired sexual function Decreased penile and testicular size Loss of sexual desire Decreased sensitivity to sexual stimulation Erectile dysfuncton	You may benefit from seeing a sex therapist or medications and other interventions to help with sexual function Discuss with your prostate cancer doctor if intermittent ADT may be appropriate for you	Sexual dysfunction? Yes No					
Quality of life Multiple domains	Exercising regularly helps improve quality of life while you are on ADT. Discuss with your prostate cancer doctor if intermittent ADT may be appropriate for you						

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