Kentucky Cancer Consortium Cancer Survivorship Series

A series of data, information and resources about cancer survivorship in Kentucky.





What Is Health-Related Quality of Life?



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"The overall enjoyment of life; an individual's sense of well-being and ability to carry out activities of daily living."

source: https://www.cancer.gov/publications/dictionaries/cancerterms/def/quality-of-life

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Physical Well-Being

Psychological Well-Being

- Functional status
- Fatigue and sleep
- Overall physical health
- Fertility
- Pain
- Symptom burden
- Comorbidity

Control

- Sense of worry
- Denial
- Avoidance
- Anxiety
- Depression
- Fear of recurrence
- Cognition/attention

Spiritual Well-Being

- Social Well-Being
 - Family distress
 - Roles and relationships
 - Affection/sexual function
 - Appearance
 - Isolation
 - Finances/employment

• Meaning of illness

- Religious strain
- Strength of faith
- Transcendence
- Hope
- Uncertainty
- Inner Strength

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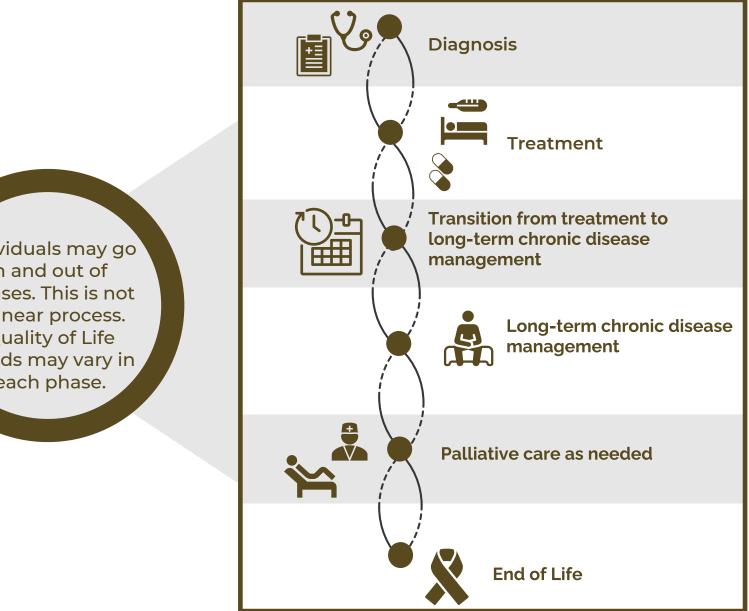
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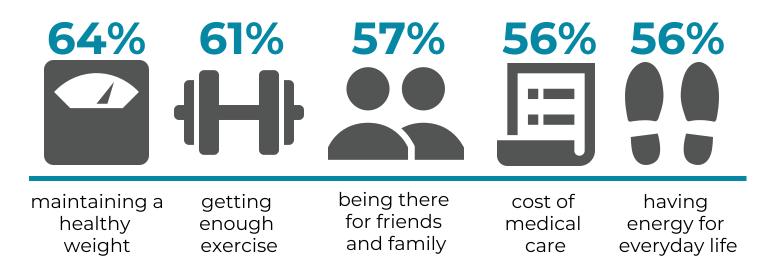
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Phases of Cancer Survivorship



Individuals may go in and out of phases. This is not a linear process. Quality of Life needs may vary in each phase.

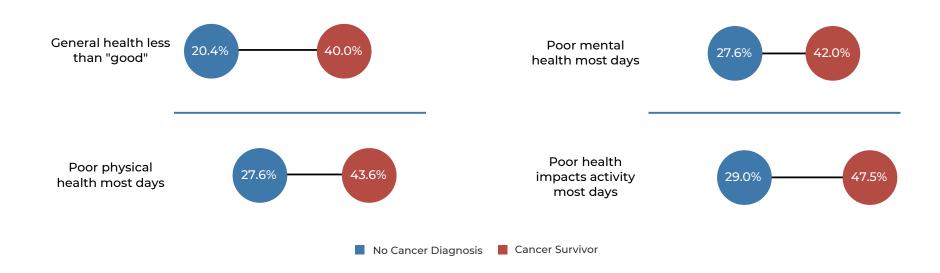
Top Concerns That Impact Quality of Life Among Cancer Survivors in the U.S.

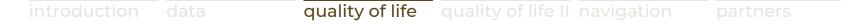


Source: 2020 State of cancer survivor survey https://www.curetoday.com/view/nccs-unveils-survivorship-data-from-nationwide-survey-of-cancer-survivors

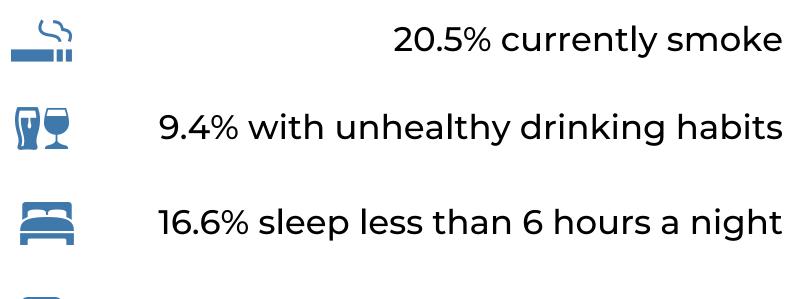
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Health-Related Quality of Life Among Kentucky Cancer Survivors





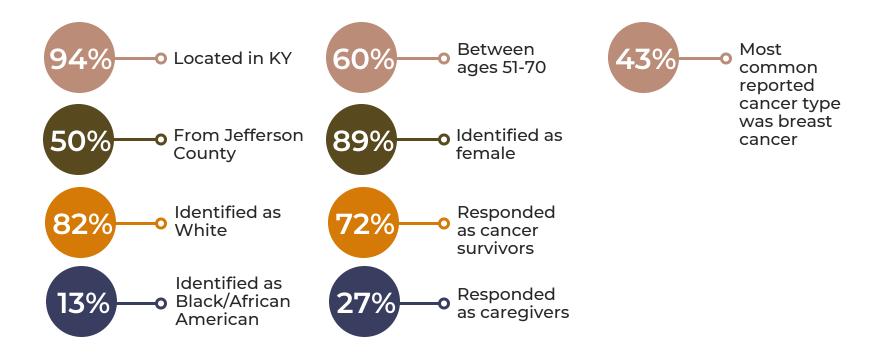
Risk Factors for Kentucky Cancer Survivors



71.2% currently overweight or obese

Source: 2021 Kentucky Cancer Needs Assessment Data: Ky BRFS, 2018-2019

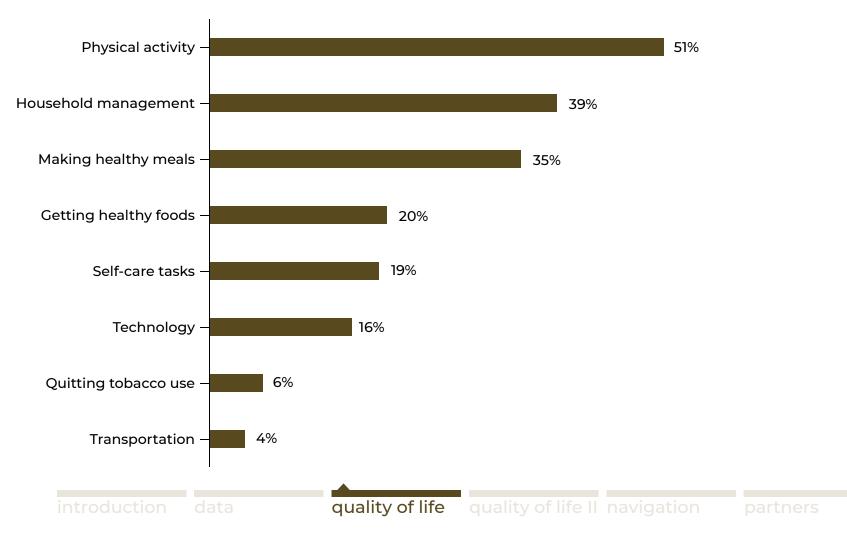
COVID-19 Pandemic Survey of Kentucky Cancer Survivors and Caregivers: Who Responded



Highlights from the 79 Kentucky cancer survivors and caregivers who responded to the survey conducted in Spring 2021 by the Kentucky Cancer Program and the Kentucky Cancer Consortium.

COVID-19 Pandemic Survey of Kentucky Survivors and Caregivers: Top Concerns

Percent of respondents who reported a need for support and resources



Surveillance for
RecurrenceScreening for
New CancersPhysical and
Physical and
Late EffectsHealth
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Coordination

Management

Use of Guidelines May Vary

Depending on who you are and where you are working, you may be using these differently to meet the needs of cancer survivors.

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How Can Partners Use the Survivorship Series?

We encourage you to use the information in the series to increase your understanding of cancer survivors' quality of life and share it with your staff, colleagues, and other partners interested in learning more about cancer survivorship.

Have ideas, information, or recommendations on cancer survivorship data?

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