There are several different ways to treat prostate cancer. Each approach has possible benefits, complications, and side effects. The best choice depends on what is most important to you.

This form is intended to help in your discussions with your doctor. There are three sections in the form.



Being informed

Your answers help us see how well we are doing our job of giving you information about your condition and options.



Values: what matters most to you

Your answers help us to understand what is important to you.



Making choices

Your answers help us know how far along you are in decision making and what else you need.

We would like you to fill in this form before you meet with your doctor. You can complete the form by yourself or with assistance from a family member.

Sincerely,

Saskatoon and Regina Prostate Assessment Centres

Personal Information

Last Name:		
First Name:		
Date:		



Being informed

Questions 1 to 6 are some of the facts that doctors think are important to know about early stage prostate cancer and how to treat it. Please check one answer for each question.

1.		t men with early stage prostate cancer, how much would waiting 3 months to make a affect their chances of survival?				
		A lot				
		Somewhat				
		A little or not at all				
		I am not sure				
2.		t any kind of treatment, about how many men diagnosed with early stage prostate cancer ntually die of prostate cancer?				
		Most will die of prostate cancer				
		About half will die of prostate cancer				
		Most will die of something else				
		I am not sure				
3.	For mos	t men, what is the best option for managing early stage prostate cancer? Active surveillance / watchful waiting				
		Implanted radiation seeds (Brachytherapy)				
	_	External Beam Radiation				
	_	Hormone Therapy				
	_	Surgery (radical prostatectomy)				
	_	There is no best option; it depends on medical factors and what the man wants				
4.	Which treatment(s) for prostate cancer is more likely to cause bowel problems ?					
		Surgery				
		Radiation				
		Both surgery and radiation are equally likely to cause bowel problems				
5.	Which t	reatment(s) for prostate cancer can cause sexual problems , such as problems with s?				
		Surgery				
		Radiation				
		Both surgery and radiation can cause sexual problems				
	Five year urine?	ars after treatment for prostate cancer, which is more likely to cause dripping or leaking				
		Surgery				
		Radiation				
		Both surgery and radiation are equally likely to cause dripping or leaking urine				

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Values: what matters most to you

Men consider many thing s when they are deciding about how to treat their prostate cancer. We are interested in what is important to you. Please check one answer for each question. On a scale from 0 to 10, where 0 is not at all important and 10 is very important:

		Not at all important 0 1 2		nportant		4	5	6	7		tremely portant 9 10	
7.	How important is it for you to actively treat your prostate cancer?											
8.	How important is it for you to choose a treatment that can be completed quickly?											
9.	How important is it for you to avoid the hassle of radiation treatments?											
10.	How important is it for you to avoid having something radioactive inside your body?											
11.	How important is it for you to avoid surgery on your prostate?											
12.	How important is it for you to avoid treatment until it is clearly needed?											
13.	How important is it for you to avoid treatment that might cause problems with dripping or leaking urine?											
14.	How important is it for you to avoid treatment that might cause problems with bowel function?									_		
15.	How important is it for you to avoid treatment that might cause sexual problems?											



Making Choices

Please check one answer for each question. At this stage, which option might be best for you? Surgery **External Beam Radiation** Implanted radiation seeds (Brachytherapy) No active treatment right away, but continued monitoring of the cancer I am not sure Not Yes No sure 17. Do you feel sure about the best choice for you? 18. Do you know the benefits and risks of each option? Are you clear about which benefits and risks matter most to you? 19. Do you have enough support and advice to make a choice? 20. Do you have any comments or questions?

