

## PEDIATRIC CANCERS AND THE ROLE OF PHYSICAL THERAPY ALONG THE CONTINUUM OF CARE

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## OBJECTIVES

- Identify and describe common pediatric oncology diagnoses.
- Recognize the associated side effects of medical treatments for pediatric cancers and their impact on function.
- Develop and implement effective physical therapy examinations, treatment strategies, and overall plan(s) of care for pediatric patients in all stages of cancer treatment.
- Discuss the differences between pediatric and adult cancers.



## GENERAL OVERVIEW

Pediatric Cancers

## ADULT VERSUS PEDIATRIC CANCERS

- Pediatric cancers are not strongly linked to lifestyle factors
- Less health co-morbidities lend to improved response and tolerance of treatment
- Cancer treatment can have long term side effects
- More inpatient admissions



## COMMON PEDIATRIC CANCERS

- Leukemia
- Brain and spinal cord tumors
- Neuroblastoma
- Wilms tumor
- Lymphoma (including both Hodgkin and Non Hodgkin)
- Rhabdomyosarcoma
- Retinoblastoma
- Bone cancer (including osteosarcoma and Ewing sarcoma)



## KEY STATISTICS

- Pediatric cancers make up < 1% of all cancers diagnosed each year
- An estimated 10,590 new cancer cases will be diagnosed among children 0 to 14 years of age in the US in 2018.
- Cancer is the second-leading cause of death among children ages 1-14 years (after accidents), accounting for 13% of deaths in 2015.



## INCIDENCE RATES

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## ETIOLOGY

- Inherited familial syndromes
  - Neurofibromatosis type 1
  - Li-Fraumeni syndrome
- Genetic syndromes
  - Down Syndrome
- Germline mutations
- Environmental factors
  - Ionizing radiation
- Lifestyle factors
  - Not typically a factor in pediatric cases



## GENERALIZED SIGNS AND SYMPTOMS

- Unusual mass or swelling
- Paleness
- Loss of energy
- Increase in bleeding or bruising
- Persistent, localized pain or limping
- Prolonged/unexplained fever
- Frequent headaches often associated with vomiting
- Sudden eye or vision changes
- Sudden unexplained weight loss



## GENERAL DIAGNOSTIC TESTS

- Medical history and physical exam
- Blood tests
- Bone marrow aspiration and biopsy
- Lumbar puncture
- Biopsy
- Chest x-ray
- Computed tomography (CT) or positron emission tomography (PET) scan
- Magnetic resonance imaging (MRI)
- Ultrasound



## STAGING

- Currently no national system for pediatrics
- Staging systems vary by:
  - Diagnosis
  - Trial group/current protocol



## MEDICAL INTERVENTIONS

- Chemotherapy
- Radiation therapy
- Surgery
- Steroids



## CHEMOTHERAPY

- Cytotoxic medications used to kill cancerous cells by:
  - Killing cancer cells
  - Stopping cancer cells from dividing
- Most common methods of administration:
  - Oral
  - Intravenous
  - Intrathecal
- Malignant cancers receive multiple chemotherapy agents via individualized road maps



## COMMON TYPES OF CHEMOTHERAPY AGENTS

| Chemotherapy Agent     | Possible Side Effects   | Common Diagnoses  |
|------------------------|---|---|
| Vincristine            | Hair loss, <b>peripheral neuropathy</b> , constipation, low blood counts, nausea, vomiting, mouth sores, diarrhea, loss of appetite, taste changes, abdominal cramping  | Acute leukemia, Hodgkin's/ non-Hodgkin's lymphoma, neuroblastoma, rhabdomyosarcoma, Ewing's sarcoma, Wilms' tumor, multiple myeloma, chronic leukemias, thyroid cancers, brain tumors, and some blood disorders |
| Cisplatin              | Low blood counts, nausea, vomiting, kidney toxicity, low magnesium/potassium/calcium, <b>peripheral neuropathy</b> , high frequency hearing loss, loss of appetite, taste changes, liver dysfunction, hair loss, changes in fertility | Hodgkin's/ non-Hodgkin's lymphoma, neuroblastoma, sarcomas  |
| Etoposide              | Low blood counts, low platelet counts, hypotension, loss of fertility, nausea, vomiting, hair loss, mouth sores, diarrhea, poor appetite, <b>nerve damage</b>   | Hodgkin's and non-Hodgkin's lymphoma, Wilms' tumor, rhabdomyosarcoma, Ewing's sarcoma, neuroblastoma, brain tumors, and can be used for conditioning for bone marrow transplant                                 |
| High dose methotrexate | Low blood counts, mouth sores, poor appetite, nausea, vomiting, kidney toxicity, kidney failure, skin rash, diarrhea, hair loss, eye irritation, liver problems, radiation recall, loss of fertility                                  | Acute lymphoblastic leukemia, sarcomas, non-Hodgkin's lymphoma, and cutaneous T cell lymphoma   |
| Doxorubicin            | Heart damage, fatigue, nausea, vomiting, mouth sores, bone marrow suppression   | Soft tissue and bone sarcomas, acute lymphoblastic leukemia, acute myeloid leukemia, Hodgkin lymphoma   |
| Ifosfamide             | Damage to lining of bladder, mouth sores, nausea, vomiting, <b>nerve damage</b> , blurred vision, hair loss   | Soft tissue and bone sarcoma  |



## CHEMOTHERAPY SIDE EFFECTS

- Nausea/vomiting
- Fatigue
- Fever
- Pain
- Hearing loss
- Anemia/neutropenia
- Bruising/bleeding
- Diarrhea or constipation
- Nerve/muscle effects
- Secondary malignancies
- Hair loss
- Mouth sores
- Weight loss
- Infection
- Changes in appetite



## RADIATION THERAPY

- Use of high energy particles or waves to destroy cancer cells by inhibiting cell growth and division
- Method of administration depends on type and stage of cancer
  - External
  - Internal
  - Systemic



## TYPES OF RADIATION

### X-ray/photon

- Total brain irradiation
- Deposit energy in small packets along their path through the tissue
- Can damage healthy tissue

### Proton

- Targets tumor at higher intensity
- Depth of energy is released and can be controlled
- Fewer short term and long term side effects
- Decreases risk of secondary malignancies

## DOSE DISTRIBUTION

Figure 39. What can we expect from dose escalation using proton beams? Clin Oncol. 2009;18(1):50-55.



## RADIATION THERAPY GENERAL SIDE EFFECTS

- Fatigue
- Hair Loss
- Integumentary changes
- Immunosuppression
- Secondary malignancies



## SURGERY

- Curative
  - Gross total resection
  - Clear margins
- Palliative
  - Relieve pain
  - Minimize symptoms
  - Improve quality of life

## TYPES OF SURGERIES

- Biopsy
- Gross total resection versus partial resection
- Reconstruction
- Limb salvage
- Amputation



## SURGICAL SIDE EFFECTS

- Pain
- Fatigue
- Appetite loss
- Integumentary changes
- Numbness
- Bleeding
- Infection
- Physical impairments
- Cognitive impairments



## STEROIDS

- Corticosteroids are man-made drugs that work like cortisol, a natural hormone in your body.
- Prescribed as part of treatment or as a supportive measure
- Common corticosteroids used in pediatric cancer treatment:
  - Dexamethasone
  - Prednisone



## STEROID SIDE EFFECTS

- Increased appetite
- Weight gain
- Muscle weakness
- Mood swings
- Nausea
- Insomnia
- High glucose levels
- High blood pressure
- Avascular necrosis (AVN)
- Hearing loss
- Immunosuppression
- Gastrointestinal issues



## PEDIATRIC CANCER PROGNOSIS

- The 5-year relative survival for the most recent time period (2007-2013) is 83%, although rates vary considerably depending on cancer type, patient age, and other characteristics.
- Depends on several factors including:
  - Type of tumor
  - Location of tumor
  - Grade of tumor
  - Staging
  - Speed of growth
  - Treatment options
  - Age of child
- Childhood cancer survivors can experience late and long term effects from treatment in a variety of body systems.



## SURVIVAL RATES

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## BONE MARROW, STEM CELL, AND CORD BLOOD TRANSPLANTS

- Healthy marrow or stem cells are infused into pt's blood stream
- Goal of transplant is engraftment
- Indications
  - Patients with relapsed ALL and AML
  - Patients with life threatening disease
  - Patients with Neuroblastoma
  - Some patients with brain tumors



## BONE MARROW, STEM CELL, AND CORD BLOOD TRANSPLANTS

- Types of Transplant
  - Bone Marrow
  - Stem Cells
  - Umbilical Cord Blood
- Source of cells
  - Allogenic - Donor
  - Autogenic - Self
  - Syngenic - Identical twin



## TRANSPLANT PROCESS

- Pre-transplant conditioning
  - High doses of chemo and/or radiation
- Transplant
  - Cells are administered
- Post-transplant
  - Await engraftment
  - Usually 12-17 days



## BONE MARROW AND STEM CELL TRANSPLANT – SIDE EFFECTS

- Graft vs. Host Disease (GVHD)
- Mucositis
- Nausea/Vomiting
- Venous Occlusive Disease (VOD)
- Steroid induced myopathy
- Sterility
- Cardiac and pulmonary disease
- High risk of life threatening infection
- Secondary malignancies



## SOLID TUMORS

## COMMON DIAGNOSES

- Osteosarcoma
- Ewing's Sarcoma
- Rhabdomyosarcoma
- Neuroblastoma



## OSTEOSARCOMA

- Tumor cells arise from osteoblast cells and primarily affect the ends of the long bones
- Most common malignant bone tumor in children and adolescents
  - ~ 400 new pediatric cases each year in the United States
  - ~ 2% of childhood cancers
- Common sites:
  - Distal femur
  - Proximal tibia
  - Proximal humerus



## OSTEOSARCOMA SIGNS AND SYMPTOMS

- Pain
  - Stiffness or tenderness
  - Progressively worse over time
  - Wakes from sleep
- Swelling
- Palpable mass in arm or leg
- Difficulty walking or limp
- Fracture
- Fatigue
- Weight loss
- Anemia



## OSTEOSARCOMA STAGING

- Simplified
  - Local
    - Resectable
    - Non-resectable
  - Metastatic
- Musculoskeletal Tumor Society (MSTS) staging system
  - Grade (G)
  - Extent of primary tumor (T)
  - Metastases (M)
- TNM staging system
  - (T) Tumor
  - (N) Nodes
  - (M) Metastasized
  - (G) Grade

| Stage | Grade    | Tumor    | Metastasis |
|-------|----------|----------|------------|
| IA    | G1       | T1       | Mo         |
| IB    | G1       | T2       | Mo         |
| IIA   | G2       | T1       | Mo         |
| IIB   | G2       | T2       | Mo         |
| III   | G1 or G2 | T1 or T2 | M1         |



## OSTEOSARCOMA TREATMENT

- **Chemotherapy:** Total 6 cycles
  - Neoadjuvant: Prior to surgery or radiation
    - 2 cycles
  - Adjuvant: Continues after surgery/radiation
  - Common chemotherapy agents:
    - Methotrexate
    - Doxorubicin
    - Cisplatin
    - Ifosfamide
    - Etoposide
- **Surgery**
  - Goal: to remove all cancer cells (negative margins)
  - Limb Salvage
  - Amputation
  - Time frame of surgery: Week 11
- **Radiation**
  - Not very sensitive to radiation
  - Used when positive margins left following surgery
  - Symptom control in recurrent tumors



## OSTEOSARCOMA PROGNOSIS

- **Positive Prognostic Factors**
  - Younger age
  - Female
  - Distal primary tumor site
  - Complete tumor resection
  - Good tumor necrosis following chemotherapy
- **5 year survival rate**
  - Localized: 60-80%
  - Metastatic: 15-30%
    - Improved to ~ 40% if only metastasis is to lungs
    - Improved survival if tumor and all metastases can be surgically removed



## EWING'S SARCOMA

- Malignant small, round, blue cell tumor starting in the bones or surrounding soft tissue
- Second most common malignant bone tumor in children and adolescents
  - ~ 200 new cases each year in the United States
  - ~ 1% of childhood cancers
- **Common Sites:**
  - Pelvis
  - Chest wall (ribs and scapula)
  - Legs (middle of long bones)



## EWING'S SARCOMA SIGNS AND SYMPTOMS

- **Pain**
  - Stiffness or tenderness
  - Progressively worse over time
  - Wakes from sleep
- **Swelling**
- **Palpable mass**
- **Difficulty walking or limp**
- **Fracture**
- **Fatigue**
- **Weight loss**
- **Anemia**



## EWING'S SARCOMA STAGING

- **Simplified**
  - Local
  - Metastatic
- **American Joint Committee on Cancer (AJCC) staging system – TNMG**
  - **(T) Tumor**
    - T0: No evidence of primary tumor
    - T1: Tumor is no more than 8 cm across
    - T2: Tumor is larger than 8 cm across
    - T3: Tumor is in more than one site in the same bone
  - **(N) Nodes**
    - N0: No spread to nearby lymph nodes
    - N1: Spread to nearby lymph nodes
  - **(M) Metastasis**
    - M0: No metastasis
    - M1a: Metastasis to lungs only
    - M1b: Metastasis to other parts of the body
  - **(G) Grade**
    - GX: Grade can not be assessed
    - G1: Low grade
    - G2-G3: High grade
    - All Ewing tumors are considered G3



## EWING'S SARCOMA TREATMENT

- **Chemotherapy:** Total of 6 cycles
  - Each cycle includes:
    - Vincristine, doxorubicin, cyclophosphamide
    - Ifosfamide, etoposide
  - Neoadjuvant: Prior to surgery or radiation
    - 3 cycles
  - Adjuvant: Continues after surgery/radiation
- **Surgery**
  - Goal: to remove all cancer cells (negative margins)
  - Depends on size and location of tumor
    - Arms/Legs: limb sparing versus amputation
    - Proximal tumors: more complicated
  - Time frame of surgery:
    - Following 3 cycles of chemotherapy/Week 13
- **Radiation**
  - Ewing's tumors are very sensitive to radiation
  - Used as primary local control or in conjunction with surgery



## EWING'S SARCOMA PROGNOSIS

- Positive Prognostic Factors
  - Smaller tumor size
  - Distal tumor site (arm/leg versus chest wall or pelvis)
  - Tumor response to chemotherapy
  - Younger age (< 10 years old)
- 5 year survival rate
  - Localized: 70%
  - Metastatic: 30%



## RHABDOMYOSARCOMA (RMS)

- Aggressive tumor that develops from skeletal muscle cells that have failed to fully differentiate
  - Small, round, blue cell tumor
- Incidence: 400-500 new cases each year in United States
  - ~ 3% of childhood cancers
  - More common in males
  - More common in children < 10 years old
- Embryonal Rhabdomyosarcoma (ERMS)
  - Common in children 0-5 years old
  - Common in head/neck and urogenital tract
- Alveolar Rhabdomyosarcoma (ARMS)
  - Effects all age groups equally
  - Common in large muscles of trunk arms and legs



## RHABDOMYOSARCOMA SIGNS AND SYMPTOMS

- Depends on location of tumor
  - Eye: vision, eye bulging, oculomotor control
  - Sinuses: earache/headache, nosebleeds, congestion
  - Urogenital: bleeding, painful or difficulty with voiding or bowel movement
  - Abdomen/pelvis: vomiting, pain, constipation
- Lump or swelling
- Bone pain
- Weakness
- Weight loss



## RHABDOMYOSARCOMA STAGING

- 3 part staging:
  - TNM staging system
    - (T) Tumor
    - (N) Nodes
    - (M) Metastasized
    - Above factors combined to determine stage (1-4)
  - Clinical Group: I-IV
    - Based on extent of disease and initial tumor resection
  - PAX/FOXO1 gene present or absent on tumor cells
- Risk Group:
  - Determined based on above 3 factors
  - Risk group determines treatment plan
  - Low, Intermediate, High



## RHABDOMYOSARCOMA TREATMENT

- Surgery
  - Typically first step in treatment (based on location, function or metastatic disease)
- Chemotherapy
  - Low Risk
    - VA: vincristine and dactinomycin
  - Intermediate Risk:
    - VAC: vincristine, dactinomycin, and cyclophosphamide
    - VAC/VI: vincristine, dactinomycin, and cyclophosphamide, alternating with vincristine and irinotecan
  - High Risk:
    - VAC or clinical trials
- Radiation
  - Typically used when some of the primary tumor is present after surgery
  - Used if resection would result in loss of vital organ or dysfunction



## RHABDOMYOSARCOMA PROGNOSIS

- 5 year survival rate
  - Low risk: 70-90%
  - Intermediate risk: 50-70%
  - High risk: 20-30%
- Positive prognostic factors
  - Age: 1-9 years old
  - Tumor size < 5cm
  - Gross total resection with negative margins
  - Absence of PAX/FOXO1 gene



## NEUROBLASTOMA

- Cancer that start in neuroblasts of the sympathetic nervous system
- Most common cancer in infants
  - ~ 6% of all childhood cancers
  - ~ 800 new cases each year in the United States
  - 90% of cases diagnosed prior to 5 years of age.



## NEUROBLASTOMA SIGNS AND SYMPTOMS

- Lump/swelling in abdomen or neck
- Swelling of the legs or upper chest, neck and face
- Enlarged belly
- Problems breathing or swallowing
- Weight loss
- Complaining about feeling full
- Problems with bowel movements or urinating
- Pain in bones
- Lumps or bumps in the skin that may appear blue
- Problems being able to feel or move parts of the body
- Opsoclonus-myoclonus-ataxia syndrome



## NEUROBLASTOMA STAGING

- International Neuroblastoma Risk Group Staging System (INRGSS)
  - Uses results from imaging tests
  - Can be determined prior to start of treatment
  - 4 stages
    - L1, L2, M, MS
- International Neuroblastoma Staging System (INSS)
  - Uses results from tumor resection to determine stage
- Children's Oncology Group (COG) risk groups
  - Low risk
  - Intermediate risk
  - High risk:



## NEUROBLASTOMA TREATMENT

- Treatment plan based on risk group
- Surgery
  - Biopsy
  - Resection if possible
- Chemotherapy
  - Used prior to and following surgery
- Radiation
  - Not a common intervention for neuroblastoma
  - Used in high risk group following stem cell transplant or for symptom management and to treat life threatening symptoms
- High dose chemotherapy and stem cell transplant (SCT)
  - High risk group
  - Tandem SCT
  - Used to repair bone marrow from intense chemotherapy treatment
- Immunotherapy
  - Monoclonal antibodies injected into the body to seek out and attach to cancer cells
- MIBG
  - Highly radioactive from injected into the blood and delivers local radiation to neuroblastoma cells
  - Requires hospital admission in special environment



## NEUROBLASTOMA PROGNOSIS

- Positive prognostic factors
  - Younger age (< 12-18 months)
  - Favorable tumor histology
  - Low DNA index
  - Absence of MCYN gene amplifications
  - No chromosome changes to tumor cells
  - Presence of neurotrophin receptors
- 5 year survival rate
  - Low risk: 95%
  - Intermediate risk: 90-95%
  - High risk: 40-50%



## SURGICAL MANAGEMENT OF SOLID TUMORS IN THE EXTREMITIES

- Limb salvage
  - Endoprosthetic placement
  - Vascularized autologous bone graft
  - Allograft
- Amputation
  - Upper and lower extremity options
  - Rotationplasty



## LIQUID TUMORS

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## COMMON DIAGNOSES

- Leukemia
- Lymphoma



## LEUKEMIA

- Cancer of the blood and bone marrow
- Cancer cells divide rapidly and live longer than healthy cells so take over the space leaving little to no room for healthy WBC, RBC, and platelets
- Incidence
  - Most common type of pediatric cancer
  - Accounts for 29% of all childhood cancers



## LEUKEMIA SIGNS AND SYMPTOMS

- Fever and unexplained infection
- Fatigue and generalized weakness
- Bruising and bleeding (petechiae)
- Bone and/or joint pain
- Abdominal pain due to enlarged liver or spleen
- Swollen lymph nodes
- Decreased appetite/weight loss

[www.healtho.com](http://www.healtho.com)



## LEUKEMIA

- Types of Leukemia
  - Acute Lymphoblastic Leukemia (ALL)
    - T-Cell
    - B-Cell
  - Acute Myeloid Leukemia (AML)
- Classification - Acute versus Chronic
  - Acute - blast cells
  - Chronic - mature/abnormal cells

## ACUTE LYMPHOBLASTIC LEUKEMIA (ALL)

- B-Cell - 85%
  - Early Pre-B Cell
  - Pre-B Cell
  - B-Cell (Burkitt's Lymphoma)
- T-Cell - 15%
- Peak age for diagnosis is 2 - 4 years old
- Incidence - accounts for 80% of pediatric leukemia diagnoses



## ALL STAGING

| Risk Group         | Age at Diagnosis                                  | Criteria   |
|--------------------|---|--|
| Standard Risk (SR) | 1 – 9 years old                                   | White Blood Cell (WBC) Count at Diagnosis < 50,000/ $\mu$ L  |
| High Risk          | Less than 1 year old<br>Greater than 10 years old | White Blood Cell (WBC) Count at Diagnosis $\geq$ 50,000/ $\mu$ L   |
| Very High Risk     | Less than 1 year old with specific cytogenetics   | Children with slow response to treatment<br>Children with signs of leukemia after the first 4 weeks of treatment |

\*Children with T-Cell ALL are classified in a higher risk group



## ALL TREATMENT

- Chemotherapy
- Radiation
- Transplant
  - Relapsed disease
- Chimeric Antigen Receptor Therapy (CAR-T)



## ALL PHASES OF CHEMOTHERAPY TREATMENT

|                         | ALL - Standard Risk                             | ALL - High Risk                                 |
|-------------------------|---|---|
| Induction               | ~ 1 month                                       | ~ 1 month                                       |
| Consolidation           | ~1-2 months                                     | ~ 2 months                                      |
| Interim Maintenance     | ~ 1-2 months                                    | ~ 2 months                                      |
| Delayed Intensification | ~ 2 months                                      | ~ 2 months                                      |
| Maintenance             | End of DI until ~ 2 years from start of therapy | End of DI until ~ 2 years from start of therapy |



## ALL RADIATION THERAPY

- A minority of children with ALL require radiation therapy
- Possible indications
  - ALL that has spread to the brain, spinal cord or testicles
  - In preparation for bone marrow transplant
- Timing of radiation is variable



## CHIMERIC ANTIGEN RECEPTOR THERAPY (CAR-T)

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## CAR-T OVERVIEW

- Targeted immunotherapy that genetically modifies a patient's T-cells so they will attack certain proteins on the surface of cancer cells
- Goal is proliferation and persistence of engineered T cells
- Indications:
  - Relapsed or refractory B-cell ALL
  - B-cell non Hodgkin's lymphoma
- Types
  - CAR-T 19 – targets CD 19 on cancer cell
  - Other receptor numbers are currently being investigated



## CAR-T PROCESS

- T-Cell harvest from patient through leukaphoresis
  - Cells are manufactured in the lab with vector
  - During this time the patient undergoes bridging chemotherapy
- Infusion Process
  - Lymphodepleting chemotherapy for a week
  - Preinfusion studies completed (bone marrow aspirate and biopsy, diagnostic lumbar puncture)
  - Infusion of CAR-T Cells
- Ongoing Monitoring
  - Diagnostic testing at day 28 and then every 3 months for the first year
  - Positive indicators
    - CAR-T cells in peripheral blood, bone marrow, and CSF
    - Lack of cancer cells
    - Lack of B-Cells



## CAR-T



## CAR-T SIDE EFFECTS

- Cytokine Release Syndrome (CRS): systemic inflammatory response
  - Common Side Effects - High fever, Myalgias, Headaches, Nausea, and Fatigue
  - More Serious Side Effects – Hypotension, Vascular leak leading to respiratory compromise, Renal insufficiency, and Coagulopathy
- Fever
- Infection
- B-Cell aplasia
- Neurological side effects
  - Headaches
  - Encephalopathy
  - Seizures



## ALL PROGNOSIS

- Positive prognostic factors
  - Greater than 1 year old and less than 10 years old at diagnosis
  - WBC less than 50,000/ $\mu$ L at diagnosis
  - No CNS involvement at diagnosis
  - Cyto-genetics testing (ex Philadelphia chromosome negative indicator)
  - Initial response to treatment
- 5 year survival rate - 91%



## ACUTE MYELOID LEUKEMIA (AML)

- Types
  - M0 – M7 based on cell type as determined by BMA at diagnosis
- Peak ages of diagnosis are 0-2 years old and adolescence
- Staging – high risk if do not achieve remission after induction or AML is relapsed
- Incidence - accounts for 20% of all pediatric leukemia diagnoses



## AML TREATMENT

- Chemotherapy
- Monoclonal Antibody Therapy
- Transplant
  - Patients with a sibling match
  - Patients with relapsed disease
  - Patients with unfavorable cyto-genetics



## AML PHASES OF CHEMOTHERAPY TREATMENT

- Induction
  - ~1 month long
  - Repeated every 10 days to 2 week until bone marrow is leukemia free, usually 2-3 cycles
- Consolidation (Intensification)
  - Typically 3 cycles, each 28 days long



## MONOCLONAL ANTIBODY THERAPY

- Antibodies are used to deliver drugs and toxins to cancer cells
- Antibodies attaches to a protein found on the surface of many AML cells
- Used in combination with chemotherapy to improve the long-term survival



## MONOCLONAL ANTIBODY THERAPY SIDE EFFECTS

- Low blood counts
- Nausea
- Vomiting
- Headache
- Loss of appetite
- Fever and chills (most common with first dose)
- Fatigue
- Venous Occlusive Disease (VOD)



## AML PROGNOSIS

- Positive prognostic factors:
  - Greater than 1 year old at diagnosis and less than 10 years old at diagnosis
  - WBC less than 10,000/ $\mu$ L at diagnosis
  - Cyto-genetics testing
  - Initial response to treatment
  - Lower BMI
- 5 year survival rate - 65%



## LYMPHOMA

- Cancer of the Lymphatic System
  - Can present as solid tumors of lymph nodes
- Types
  - Hodgkin Lymphoma
  - Non-Hodgkin Lymphoma
- Incidence
  - 3<sup>rd</sup> most common type of childhood cancer
  - 8% of all childhood cancers
  - More common in boys than girls



## LYMPHOMA SIGNS AND SYMPTOMS

- Swelling of lymph nodes
- Mediastinal mass
- Difficulty breathing
- Weight loss
- Night sweats
- Fatigue
- Fever



## HODGKIN LYMPHOMA

- Diagnosed based on presence of Reed-Sternberg Cells
- Peak age of diagnosis is 15-19 years old
- Incidence - 10% of all pediatric lymphoma diagnoses



## HODGKIN LYMPHOMA STAGING

<https://www.hhs.org/lymphoma/hodgkin-lymphoma/diagnosis/hodgkin-lymphoma-staging>



## HODGKIN LYMPHOMA TREATMENT

- Chemotherapy
- Radiation
- Transplant



## HODGKIN LYMPHOMA PROGNOSIS

- Positive Prognostic Factors
  - Lack of metastasis
  - Lack of B symptoms
    - unexplained fever
    - drenching night sweats
    - unexpected weight loss
  - Response to treatment

• 5 year survival rate - 98%



## NON-HODGKIN LYMPHOMA

- Types
  - Small B-Cell Lymphoma (Burkitt's Lymphoma)
  - Lymphoblastic Lymphoma (T-Cell Lymphoma)
  - Large cell Lymphoma
- Peak age of diagnosis is adolescence
- Incidence - 90% of all pediatric lymphoma diagnoses



## NON-HODGKIN LYMPHOMA STAGING

| Stage     |  |
|-----------|--|
| Stage I   | Cancer is in one group of lymph nodes  |
| Stage II  | Tumor present in two or more lymph node areas on the same side of the diaphragm                          |
| Stage III | Tumor on both sides of the diaphragm   |
| Stage IV  | Tumor has spread from original location to bone marrow or central nervous system (brain or spinal fluid) |



## NON-HODGKIN LYMPHOMA TREATMENT

- Chemotherapy
- Surgery (Burkitt's)
- Monoclonal Antibody Therapy
- Transplant



## NON-HODGKIN LYMPHOMA PROGNOSIS

- Positive Prognostic Factors
  - Lack of metastasis
  - Lack of B symptoms
    - unexplained fever
    - drenching night sweats
    - unexpected weight loss
  - Response to treatment
- 5 year survival rate –91%



## BRAIN TUMORS

## CLASSIFICATION OF BRAIN TUMORS

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#### Primary

- Originate from normal cells within the brain
- Name includes cell of origin with or without location
- Benign or malignant

#### Secondary (Metastatic)

- Originate from cells outside of the central nervous system (CNS)
- Always malignant

### CLASSIFICATION OF BRAIN TUMORS

#### Benign

- Typical of the cell of origin
- Decreased mitosis
- Slow growing/low grade
- Localized
- Well defined borders

#### Malignant

- Cell of origin with greater differentiation
- Increased mitosis
- Fast growing/high grade
- Invade surrounding brain tissues
- Metastasize outside of the CNS

## WORLD HEALTH ORGANIZATION (WHO) BRAIN TUMOR GRADES

| Grade      | Characteristics | Tumor Types   |
|------------|-----------------|---|
| Low Grade  | Grade I         | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Least malignant (benign)</li> <li>•Possibly curable via surgery alone</li> <li>•Non-infiltrative</li> <li>•Long-term survival</li> <li>•Slow growing</li> </ul> |
|            | Grade II        | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Relatively slow growing</li> <li>•Somewhat infiltrative</li> <li>•May recur as higher grade</li> </ul>  |
| High Grade | Grade III       | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Malignant</li> <li>•Infiltrative</li> <li>•Tend to recur as higher grade</li> </ul>   |
|            | Grade IV        | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Most malignant</li> <li>•Rapid growth, aggressive</li> <li>•Widely infiltrative</li> <li>•Rapid recurrence</li> <li>•Necrosis prone</li> </ul>                  |

## CLINICAL PRESENTATION

### GENERALIZING SYMPTOMS

- Increased intracranial pressure (ICP)
  - Headache, nausea, vomiting, fatigue
  - Decreased upgaze, sixth cranial nerve palsies, papilledema
  - Infants: macrocephaly, failure to thrive, developmental delay
- Ataxia
- “Flu-like” symptoms
- Cranial nerve deficits
- Cognitive deficits or changes in school performance
- Mental status changes
- Seizures

### LOCALIZING SYMPTOMS

John, V. Brain Tumor: Signs & Symptoms. <http://www.kidshospitalofphiladelphia.org/brain-tumor/>. Accessed November 1, 2018.

## TYPES OF TUMORS

### COMMON DIAGNOSES

- Astrocytoma
- Medulloblastoma
- Ependymoma
- Brain stem glioma

## TYPES OF TUMORS

Brain Tumors, Children's Hospital of Wisconsin website  
<https://www.chw.edu/medical-center/brain-tumors>  
 website.clevelandclinic.com/health/brain-tumors Accessed  
 12/15/2018



## ASTROCYTOMA

- Incidence:
  - 35% of childhood brain tumors
  - 80% are low grade
  - Most common in children 5-8 years old
- Location:
  - Can occur anywhere in the central nervous system (CNS)

Cerebellar Astrocytomas, Clinical Gate website  
<https://clinicalgate.com/cerebellar-astrocytomas/> March 26, 2018, Accessed November 1, 2018

## ASTROCYTOMA GRADING SCALE

|            | Grade | Histology                            |
|------------|-------|--------------------------------------|
| Low Grade  | I     | Juvenile pilocytic astrocytoma (JPA) |
|            | II    | Diffuse astrocytoma                  |
| High Grade | III   | Anaplastic astrocytoma               |
|            | IV    | Glioblastoma multiforme (GBM)        |



## ASTROCYTOMA TREATMENT

- Depends on location and grade of tumor
  - Low grade
    - Surgery is primary therapy
    - Management of residual tumor:
      - Observation
      - Re-resection
      - Radiation therapy
  - High grade
    - Surgery
    - Radiation therapy



## ASTROCYTOMA PROGNOSIS

- Prognostic factors
  - Low grade
    - Young age
    - Subtotal resection
- 5 year survival rates
  - Low grade
    - 97% for pilocytic
    - 80-85% for diffuse
  - High grade
    - 25% for anaplastic
    - 20% for GBM



## MEDULLOBLASTOMA

- Incidence:
  - 18-20% of primary CNS tumors
  - >70% occur in children less than 10 years old
  - Slightly more common in males
- Location:
  - Cerebellum

Guillard F. Medulloblastoma. Radiopaedia website  
<https://radiopaedia.org/articles/medulloblastoma> Accessed  
 December 1, 2018

## MEDULLOBLASTOMA STAGING

|                | Standard Risk         | High Risk               |
|----------------|-----------------------|-------------------------|
| Age            | >/= 3 years old       | < 3 years old           |
| Location       | Cerebellum            | Supratentorial          |
| Residual Tumor | < 1.5 cm <sup>2</sup> | >/= 1.5 cm <sup>2</sup> |
| Metastases     | No                    | Yes                     |

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## MEDULLOBLASTOMA TREATMENT

- Surgery
- Radiation therapy
- Chemotherapy
- Bone/stem cell transplant

## MEDULLOBLASTOMA PROGNOSIS

- Prognostic factors
  - Subtotal resection
  - Patient age: < 3 years old
  - Location: supratentorial
  - Metastasis
- 5 year survival rates
  - Standard Risk: 70-80%
  - High Risk: 60-65%
  - Infants: 30-50%

## EPENDYMOMA

- Incidence:
  - 9-10% of childhood brain tumors
- Location:
  - Supratentorium
  - Infratentorium
  - Spinal

Ependymoma, Pediatric Oncology Education Materials website  
[http://www.pediatriconcologyeducation.com/ependymoma\\_location.asp](http://www.pediatriconcologyeducation.com/ependymoma_location.asp), Accessed November 7, 2018.

## EPENDYMOMA TREATMENT

- Surgery – aggressive resection
- Radiation therapy
- Chemotherapy
- Observation – in rare cases

## EPENDYMOMA PROGNOSIS

- Prognostic factors
  - Subtotal resection
  - Histology: anaplastic
  - Metastasis
  - Younger age at diagnosis
  - Location
- 5 year survival rates
  - Birth to 19: 75%

## BRAIN STEM GLIOMA

- Incidence:
  - 10% of pediatric brain tumors
- Location:
  - 80% occur in the pons
- Types:
  - Diffuse intrinsic
  - Focal

Brain Stem Glioma, Brain Tumors: Epidemiology of Causes  
<https://open.kenes.com/brainstem-glioma>  
 Accessed November 1, 2018.



## BRAIN STEM GLIOMA

- Based on type:
  - Focal:
    - Observation (with or without cerebrospinal fluid diversion)
    - Surgical resection
    - Adjuvant therapy in the form of radiation therapy or chemotherapy in select circumstances
  - Diffuse intrinsic:
    - Radiation therapy – standard of care

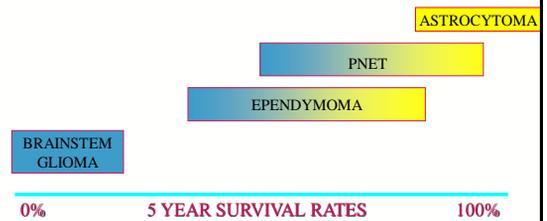


## BRAIN STEM GLIOMA PROGNOSIS

- Prognostic factors
  - Type: Diffuse intrinsic
  - Location in pons
  - Age: > 3 years of age with diffuse intrinsic
- 5 year survival rates
  - Based on location:
    - Focal: >90% 5 year survival rate
    - Pons: median survival rate < 1 year



## PROGNOSIS



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## PHYSICAL THERAPY MANAGEMENT

## ADULT VERSUS PEDIATRIC CONSIDERATIONS

- Children are not small adults
  - Children react differently to treatments
  - Children heal more quickly
  - Children are undergoing periods of rapid growth and development
- Children will be active if they feel good
- Family centered care



## GENERAL CONSIDERATIONS

### Patient

- Medical status
- Cognitive status
- Chronological/developmental age
- Level of coping

### Family

- Level of coping
- Dynamics
- Resources/supports

## MEDICAL CONSIDERATIONS

- Lab values
- Treatment effects
- Lines and tubes
- General anesthesia effects



## AGE RELATED CONSIDERATIONS

- Baseline developmental abilities
- Use of preferred play and leisure activities



## EXAMINATION

History, Review of Systems, Tests and Measure

## HISTORY

### Objective

- Medical history
- Imaging
- Operative reports
- Medications
- Red flags

### Subjective

- Social
- Developmental
- Home set up
- Equipment
- Schooling/Daycare

## PAIN

- Pain Scales
  - Numerical rating scale
    - > 8 years of age
  - FLACC
    - 2 months to 7 years
  - Wong-Baker Faces
    - 3 years and up
- Consider
  - Impact of pain on other assessment areas
  - Impact of arousal level/cognition on ability to communicate pain
  - Individualized response



## REVIEW OF SYSTEMS

- Cardiovascular
- Integumentary
- Musculoskeletal
- Neuromuscular



## CARDIOVASCULAR SYSTEM

## TESTS AND MEASURES FOR BODY STRUCTURE AND FUNCTION

- Monitor heart rate
- Monitor oxygen saturation
- Monitor blood pressure
- Chest wall shape
- Chest wall mobility
- Breathing pattern
- Tolerance to activity/rate of perceived exertion
- Endurance
- Fatigue levels



## NORMAL CARDIORESPIRATORY PARAMETERS

|            | Heart Rate | Respiratory Rate | Blood Pressure |
|------------|------------|------------------|----------------|
| Neonate    | 100-180    | 30-50            | 60/30-90/60    |
| Infant     | 100-160    | 30-50            | 87/53-105/66   |
| Toddler    | 80-110     | 24-40            | 95/53-110/69   |
| Preschool  | 70-110     | 22-34            | 96/55-110/69   |
| School age | 65-110     | 16-24            | 97/57-112/71   |
| Adolescent | 60-90      | 12-20            | 112/66-126/80  |

Values courtesy of the Children's Hospital of Philadelphia



## IMPAIRMENTS COMMONLY ASSOCIATED WITH TREATMENT

- Deconditioning
- Cancer related fatigue
- Pulmonary complications from treatment



## DECONDITIONING/FATIGUE

- Due to treatment, prolonged admissions, abnormal blood counts
- PT Assessment:
  - General cardiopulmonary tests and measures
  - Standardized tests:
    - 6 minute walk test
    - 3 minute step test
- PT Interventions:

## PULMONARY COMPLICATIONS

- Due to radiation therapy to the chest or total body irradiation; complication of bone marrow transplant
- Common diagnoses:
  - Radiation pneumonitis
  - Pulmonary fibrosis
  - Lung graft versus host disease (GVHD)
  - Bronchiolitis obliterans
- PT Assessment:
  - Chest wall measurements in various positions
  - Posture
  - Shoulder range of motion (ROM)
  - Hamstring flexibility
  - Strength assessment specifically core and proximal musculature
- PT Interventions:

## LATE EFFECTS

- Heart disease
- Arrhythmia
- Hypertension
- Reduced lung function
- Dyspnea
- Pulmonary fibrosis
- Constant cough
- Pulmonary pneumonitis
- Increased risk of lung infections
- Increased risk for lung cancer

## INTEGUMENTARY SYSTEM

## TESTS AND MEASURES FOR BODY STRUCTURE AND FUNCTION

- Wound characteristics
  - Location
  - Wound bed margin description
  - Drainage/exudate description
  - Wound type
  - Depth of tissue destruction
  - Tissue color
  - Infection
  - Photo documentation
- Scar characteristics:
  - Location
  - Size
  - Color
  - Moisture:
    - Elastic Turgor
    - Integrity of Tissues
  - Mobility of scar

## WOUND PREVENTION

- Assess risk for skin injury
- Consider
  - Bony prominences
  - Impact of immobility
  - Sensation

## IMPAIRMENTS COMMONLY ASSOCIATED WITH TREATMENT

- Scar adhesion
- Graft versus host disease (GVHD)
- Radiation changes/burns
- Poor wound healing

## SCAR ADHESION

- Due to surgical intervention
- PT Assessment:
  - Modified Vancouver scale
- PT Interventions:

## GVHD OVERVIEW

- Potential complication of allogenic transplants
- Types
  - Acute
    - Skin
    - Liver
    - Gastrointestinal tract (stomach, intestines, colon)
  - Chronic
    - Single organ to widespread
- Common medical management includes steroids



## GVHD CLASSIFICATION



## SKIN GVHD PT MANAGEMENT

- Assessment:
  - Skin injury prevention
  - ROM
  - Positioning
  - Posture
  - Mobility
  - Joint play
  - Flexibility
- Interventions:

## MUSCULOSKELETAL SYSTEM

## TESTS AND MEASURES FOR BODY STRUCTURE AND FUNCTION

- ROM
- Strength
- Posture
- Mobility



## RANGE OF MOTION

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<https://www.summitcare.edu.org/topic/Active-Range-of-Motion/274268>



## STRENGTH

## POSTURAL ASSESSMENT

- Observation
- Common postural changes
  - Head preference
  - Elevated shoulders
  - Kyphosis
  - Gravity dependent positioning
  - Foot and ankle alignment

## MOBILITY

- Developmental transitions
- Functional transfers
- Gross motor skill assessment
- Gait assessment
- Stair negotiation assessment



## COMMON IMPAIRMENTS ASSOCIATED WITH TREATMENT

- Chemotherapy induced peripheral neuropathy (CIPN)
- Steroid myopathy
- Avascular necrosis (AVN)
- Orthopedic post operative complications
- Bone instability
  - Pathologic fractures
  - Bone density



## CIPN OVERVIEW

- Damage to peripheral nerves as a side effect of chemotherapy treatment
  - Vincristine, cisplatin
- Incidence



## CIPN SIGNS AND SYMPTOMS

- Pain
- Burning
- Tingling
- Loss of sensation
- Balance problems
- Difficulty walking/climbing stairs
- Increased sensitivity to temperature/touch/pressure
- Muscle atrophy
- Muscle weakness
- Diminished or absent reflexes
- Audible foot slap



## CIPN PT ASSESSMENT

- Ankle dorsiflexion ROM
- Great toe extension and tibialis anterior muscle strength
- Popliteal angle
- Achilles reflex
- Sensation/vibration
- Foot posture/alignment
- Balance
- Gait
- Standardized tests:
  - Ped-mTNS
  - Pediatric balance scale



## CIPN PT INTERVENTIONS



## CIPN PROGNOSIS



## STERIOD MYOPATHY OVERVIEW

- Insidious disease process that causes weakness to the proximal muscles of the upper and lower extremities
- Signs and symptoms:
  - Symmetric, proximal muscle weakness
  - Malaise
  - Fatigue
  - Absence of sensory complaints



## STEROID MYOPATHY PT MANAGEMENT

- Assessment:
  - General musculoskeletal test and measure with focus on proximal musculature
- Interventions:

## AVN

- Death of bone tissue due to lack of blood supply
- Side effect of steroid treatment
- PT Assessment:
  - General musculoskeletal tests and measures
  - Pain
  - Mobility
- PT Interventions:

## ORTHOPEDIC POST OPERATIVE COMPLICATIONS OVERVIEW

- Due to surgery for localized treatment
- Common complications:
  - Pain
  - ROM deficits
  - Weakness
  - Immobility
  - Altered sensation
  - Leg length discrepancies
  - Nerve damage
  - Postural abnormalities
  - Altered gait mechanics
  - Wound dehiscence/infection
  - Hardware failure
  - Repeat surgeries



## ORTHOPEDIC POST OPERATIVE COMPLICATIONS PT MANAGEMENT

- Assessment
  - General musculoskeletal tests and measures

## INTERVENTIONS



## LATE EFFECTS

- Stunted growth
- Bone pain
- Joint stiffness
- Decreased bone density
- Gait alterations



# NEUROMUSCULAR SYSTEM

## TESTS AND MEASURES FOR BODY STRUCTURE AND FUNCTION

- Muscle tone
- Reflexes
- Balance
- Coordination
- Proprioception
- Sensation
- Level of arousal
- Cognition
- Cranial nerve testing
- Vision/hearing

## COMMON IMPAIRMENTS ASSOCIATED WITH TREATMENT

- Posterior fossa syndrome
- Ataxia
- Spasticity
- Hemiplegia



## POSTERIOR FOSSA SYNDROME OVERVIEW

- A postoperative syndrome involving a variety of clinical characteristics
  - Neurological
  - Neuropsychological
  - Neurolinguistic
- Incidence: Reports vary from 2-50%
- Onset: Varies from 24-107 hours post operatively
- Duration: Weeks to months



## POSTERIOR FOSSA SYNDROME SIGNS AND SYMPTOMS

| Motor  | Cognitive   | Affect/Behavior   | Speech/Language  |
|--|---|---|--|
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ataxia</li> <li>• Dysmetria</li> <li>• Dysphagia</li> <li>• Dysarthria</li> <li>• Hypotonia</li> <li>• Hemiparesis</li> <li>• Nystagmus</li> <li>• Oculomotor problems</li> <li>• Urinary retention/incontinence</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Attention</li> <li>• Memory</li> <li>• Executive functioning</li> <li>• Visuospatial skills</li> <li>• Processing speed</li> <li>• Verbal comprehension</li> <li>• Reading/writing difficulties</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Depression</li> <li>• Irritability</li> <li>• Lability</li> <li>• Apathy</li> <li>• Anxiety</li> <li>• Forced crying/laughter</li> <li>• Transient eye closure</li> <li>• Impulsivity</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cerebellar mutism</li> <li>• Naming problems</li> <li>• Verbal fluency</li> <li>• Dysarthria</li> <li>• Slowed speech</li> <li>• Decreased verbal output</li> <li>• Short phrases</li> <li>• Distorted vowels</li> <li>• Prolonged phonemes</li> <li>• Monopitch/loudness</li> <li>• Hypernasality</li> <li>• Vocal tremor</li> </ul> |



## POSTERIOR FOSSA SYNDROME PT MANAGEMENT

- Assessment:
  - General neuromuscular tests and measures
  - Speech and language screening
  - Cognitive screening
  - Affect and behavior screening
- Interventions:

## POSTERIOR FOSSA SYNDROME PROGNOSIS



## ATAXIA OVERVIEW

- Lack of voluntary coordination of muscle movements

## ATAXIA PT MANAGEMENT

- Assessment
  - Ataxia rating scale
  - Mobility
- Interventions

## SPASTICITY

- Due to damage of the nerves in the central nervous system.
- Altered muscle movement patterns with hypertonia and increased tendon reflex activity
- Managed with oral medications, local injections or intrathecal baclofen
- PT assessment:
  - Modified Ashworth Score
  - ROM measurements
  - Mobility and ADL's
- PT interventions:

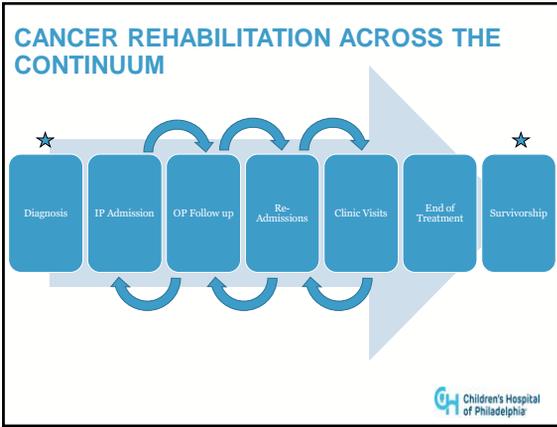
## LATE EFFECTS

- Neurocognitive impairments
  - Lower IQ scores
  - Poor attention/memory
  - Poor hand eye coordination
  - Behavioral problems
- Developmental delay
- Pituitary issues
- Seizures
- Headaches



## EVALUATION

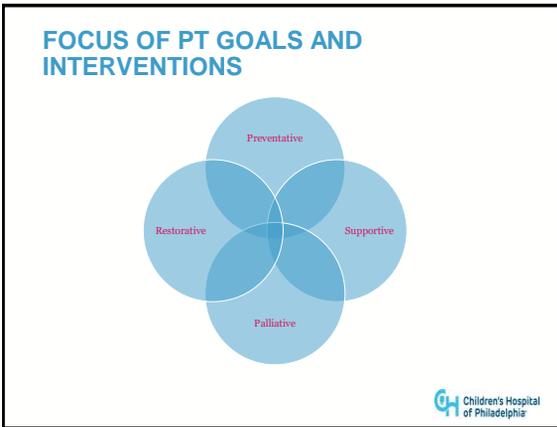
Diagnosis, Prognosis, Plan of Care



### DIAGNOSIS AND PROGNOSIS

- PT Diagnosis
  - Based on impairments
- Prognosis depends on:
  - Type of cancer
  - Grade/stage of cancer
  - Type of treatment
  - Social and physical supports
  - Psychological
  - Barriers to accessing care

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### PT PLAN OF CARE ACROSS SETTINGS

|                  | Acute Care  | Rehab   | Outpatient  | Early Intervention  | School Based Therapy  |
|------------------|---|---|---|---|---|
| <b>Who</b>       | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Change in functional status</li> <li>• Change in medical status</li> <li>• New diagnosis</li> <li>• Prolonged admission</li> </ul>               | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Acute change in functional status requiring intensive PT with daily progress</li> </ul>  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Require ongoing skilled PT treatment</li> </ul>  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• EI: 0-3 years old</li> <li>• IU: 3-5 years old</li> </ul>              | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• PT impairments which limit access to school environment or activities</li> </ul>   |
| <b>Where</b>     | Bedside   | Rehab gym   | Outpatient gym  | Home or daycare   | School  |
| <b>Frequency</b> | Variable: 1-7x/week   | Daily   | 1-3x/week   | Variable: 1-7x/week   | 1-3x/week   |
| <b>Goals</b>     | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Safety for home</li> <li>• Return to functional baseline</li> <li>• Minimize skill regression</li> <li>• Prevention of co-morbidities</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Safety for home</li> <li>• Return to functional baseline</li> <li>• Compensatory strategies</li> <li>• DME</li> <li>• Family training</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• School re-entry</li> <li>• Return to recreational activities</li> <li>• Compensatory strategies</li> <li>• Quality of movement</li> <li>• DME/bracing</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Developmental skill acquisition</li> <li>• Family education</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Normalizing peer interactions</li> <li>• Optimizing navigation of school environment</li> <li>• Optimizing activity and participation limitations</li> </ul> |

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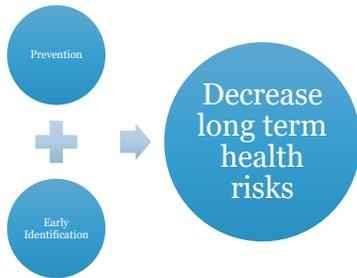
## SURVIVORSHIP

### SURVIVORSHIP

- Maximizing outcomes while minimizing long term side effects and the impact on growth
- Promoting health and wellness
- Improving quality of life
- Improving access to ongoing medical care, support, and surveillance for late effects
- Support for patients and families
- Screening of educational and vocational progress

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## SURVIVORSHIP



## REHABILITATION NEEDS OF SURVIVORS

- Pain
- Fatigue
- Impaired mobility
- Decreased range of motion
- Decreased strength
- Impaired activities of daily living
- Cognitive impairments
- Neuropathy/nerve disorders
- Low back pain
- General musculoskeletal symptoms

## CASE STUDIES

Pediatric Cancers

## THANK YOU

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## DEVELOPMENTAL APPENDIX



## INFANT POSTURE

- 1 month: physiological flexion, fully rounded back, flexed neck

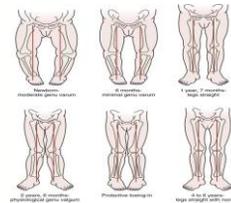
## INFANT POSTURE

- 3 months: beginning of symmetry, antigravity flexor control emerges, midline orientation of head emerges

## INFANT POSTURE

- 4 months: strong symmetry, bilateral control of extensor and flexor muscles, emergence of controlled purposeful movement

## LOWER EXTREMITY POSTURAL DEVELOPMENT



From: Musculoskeletal Examination <https://musculoskeletal.com/issue4/>, June 7, 2008. Accessed November 1, 2018.



## PRIMITIVE INFANT REFLEXES

| Primitive Reflex     | Purpose of Reflex  | Appears       | Should Integrate By: | Signs of Retention  |
|----------------------|--|---------------|----------------------|---|
| Moro Reflex          | Primitive Fight or Flight Reaction   | Birth         | 2 to 4 Months        | Hyper Sensitivity, Hyper Reactivity, Poor Impulse Control, Sensory Overload, Social & Emotional Immaturity                                |
| Rooting Reflex       | Automatic Response to Turn Towards Food                                    | Birth         | 3 to 4 Months        | Fusing Eating, Thumbs Sucking, Dribbling, Speech and Articulation Problems  |
| Palmer Reflex        | Automatic Flexing of Fingers to Grip                                       | Birth         | 5 to 6 Months        | Difficulty with Fine Motor Skills, Poor Manual Dexterity, Messy Handwriting   |
| ATNR                 | To Assist Baby Through Birth Canal and Develop Gross Pattern Movements     | Birth         | 6 Months             | Poor Eye-Hand Coordination, Difficulty with Handwriting, Trouble Crossing Vertical Mid-line, Poor Visual Tracking for Reading and Writing |
| Spinal Galant Reflex | Assist Baby with Birth Process   | Birth         | 3 to 9 Months        | Unilateral or Bilateral Postural Issues, Fidgeting, Bedwetting, Poor Concentration, Poor Short Term Memory                                |
| TLR                  | Basis for Head Management and Postural Stability Using Major Muscle Groups | In Utero      | 3 1/2 Years          | Poor Muscle Tone, Tendency to Walk on Toes, Poor Balance, Motion Sickness, Spatial Orientation Issues                                     |
| Landau Reflex        | Assist with Posture Development  | 4 to 5 Months | 1 Year               | Poor Motor Development  |
| STNR                 | Preparation for Crawling   | 6 to 9 Months | 9 to 11 Months       | Tendency to Slump While Sitting, Poor Muscle Tone, Poor Eye-Hand Coordination, Inability to Sit Still and Concentrate                     |

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<http://www.brainbalance.com/2014/02/retained-primitive-reflexes-appears-in-babies-again-remember-2014/>



## PROTECTIVE EXTENSION REACTIONS IN SITTING

| Reflex    | Onset       | Integration | Stimulus   | Response   |
|-----------|-------------|-------------|--|--|
| Forward   | 6-7 months  | Persists    | Displace center of gravity outside base of support forward | Lower extremities and UE's extend and abduct to protect and support body |
| Lateral   | 7 months    | Persists    | Same as above except displacing laterally                  | Same as above  |
| Backwards | 9-10 months | Persists    | Same as above except displacing backwards                  | Same as above  |

## EQUILIBRIUM REACTIONS

| Reflex    | Onset        | Integration | Stimulus  | Response   |
|-----------|--------------|-------------|---|--|
| Prone     | 6 months     | Persists    | Tilt supporting surface to displace center of gravity | Abduction and extension of extremities, with curvature of trunk  |
| Sitting   | 7-8 months   | Persists    | Same as above   | Trunk extension or flexion to A/P displacement, abduction and extension of extremities to lateral displacement with trunk rotation |
| Quadruped | 9-12 months  | Persists    | Same as above   | Similar to prone   |
| Standing  | 12-21 months | Persists    | Same as above   | Ankle dorsiflexion/plantar flexion, hip flexion or extension, trunk flexion or extension   |

## STAGES OF LOCOMOTOR DEVELOPMENT

- Early stepping
- Rolling
- Crawling
- Creeping
- Cruising
- Erect ambulation
- Running
- Galloping
- Hopping
- Skipping



## KEY GROSS MOTOR SKILLS

|             |  |
|-------------|--|
| 3.5 months  | Rolls prone > supine                       |
| 6.5 months  | Sits independently<br>Rolls supine > prone |
| 9.5 months  | Creeps, cruises                            |
| 12 months.  | Walks 2-3 steps<br>Stands alone well       |
| 13.5 months | Creeps up stairs                           |
| 22 months   | Runs<br>Walks upstairs holding rail        |
| 28 months   | Jumps with both feet                       |
| 4 years old | Skipping, galloping                        |



## DEVELOPMENT OF GAIT

- 9-15 months:
  - Wide base of support
  - Hips abducted, flexed and externally rotated
  - Tibia in mild internal torsion and varus
  - Elevated center of mass
  - Increased hip and knee flexion
  - Full foot initial contact
  - Short stride, increased cadence



### DEVELOPMENT OF GAIT

- 18-24 months:
  - Limb is straight at 18 months of age
  - Decrease in base of support
  - Prolonged stance phase
  - Increased cadence
  - Center of mass descends to proximal end of legs
  - Heel strike develops



### DEVELOPMENT OF GAIT

- 3 to 3.5 years:
  - Mature patterns
  - Tibiofemoral angle-valgus alignment
  - Decreasing femoral antetorsion of the hip
  - Center of mass closer to extremities
  - Consistent heel strike with knee flexion



### DEVELOPMENT OF GAIT

- 6 to 7 years:
  - Fully mature gait pattern
  - Tibiofemoral angle returns to neutral
  - Femoral antetorsion is resolved
  - Heel position is neutral
  - Center of mass at level of third lumbar vertebrae



### DEVELOPMENT OF RUNNING

- 18 months – early running, modified walking, limited range of motion, short stride length
- 2-3 years – smoother stride and run
- 4-5 years – improvement in power and form
- 5-6 years – advance to level of adult pattern
- 6 years – refined adult running pattern



### DEVELOPMENT OF STAIR NEGOTIATION

- 18-24 months: Places two feet on each with handrail
- 2-3 years of age: 2 feet on each step without support; 1 foot on each step with handrail
- 3-4 years of age: walks up and down steps with 1 foot on each step without support



### DEVELOPMENT OF JUMPING

- 24 months – jump down from 12 inches
- 28 months – jump off floor both feet
- 31 months – jump down 18 inches 1 foot leading
- 32-33 months – jump down 12 inches both feet
- 37 months – jump down 14-18 inches both feet
- 37 months – jump forward 4-14 inches
- 38 months – hop on 2 feet 1-3 times
- 43 months – hop on 1 foot 1-3 times



## PEDIATRIC STANDARDIZED OUTCOME MEASURES

| Test   | Age                   | Domains Tested                     |
|--|-----------------------|------------------------------------|
| Pediatric Balance Scale                              | 2.5 to 7 years *      | Balance                            |
| Balance Error Scoring System (BESS)                  | 5 to 14 years         | Balance                            |
| Wee Functional Independence Measure (Wee FIM)        | 6 months to 7 years * | Self care<br>Mobility<br>Cognition |
| Pediatric modified total neuropathy scale (Ped-mTNS) | 5 to 18 years         | Peripheral Neuropathy              |
| 6 Minute Walk Test                                   | 3 to 18 years         | Cardiopulmonary                    |
| PedsQL   | 2 to 18 years         | Quality of life                    |

\* Can be used above age range if child is expected to be delayed in these areas. Ceiling effect present at upper end of age range



## PEDIATRIC STANDARDIZED OUTCOME MEASURES

| Test   | Age                          | Domains Tested   |
|--|------------------------------|--|
| Alberta Infant Motor Scale (AIMS)                      | 0 to 18 months               | Gross motor skills   |
| Peabody Developmental Motor Scales 2 (PDMS-2)          | Newborn to 6 years 11 months | Gross motor skills<br>Fine motor skills<br>Visual motor skills   |
| Bayley Scales of Infant Development                    | 1 month to 3.5 years         | Gross motor skills<br>Fine motor skills<br>Cognition<br>Language |
| Bruininks –Oseretsky Test of Motor Proficiency (BOT-2) | 4 to 21 years                | Fine motor skills<br>Coordination<br>Balance<br>Strength         |

