

Cancer Review Questions

1. A benign tumor is noncancerous and is surrounded by membranes that prevent them from spreading and can be dangerous if they interfere with normal function of organs. A malignant tumor is cancerous and can spread through the blood to other parts of the body, and as it spreads it divides and forms new tumors.
2. The abnormal cells in our body only develop into cancer when the immune system becomes weakened and when the number of cancerous cells becomes overwhelming.
3. The four top risk factors for developing cancers include tobacco use, sexually transmitted infections, diet, and radiation.
4. Other risk factors of lung cancer include exposure to second-hand smoking, previous radiation therapy, exposure to radon gas, exposure to asbestos and other carcinogens, and family history of lung cancer.
5. Choosing a diet high in fat and fiber can help reduce your risk of cancer.
6. The 5 treatment options for cancer include surgery, radiation therapy, chemotherapy, immunotherapy, and hormone therapy.
7. In reality a tan is not the greatest thing because it actually is the body's response to being injured by ultraviolet rays.

8. C: change in bowel habits (loose or constipated)

A: a sore that does not heal

U: unusual bleeding or discharge from body

T: thickening or a lump in breast or elsewhere (see a Dr.!)

I: indigestion or difficulty swallowing (persistent)

O: obvious change in a wart or mole

N: nagging cough or hoarseness of throat