

Palliative Care: The Untapped Potential in Your Lung Cancer Journey Show Notes

Palliative care is an approach that improves the quality of life of patients and their families facing life-threatening illness. This specialized care aimed at the prevention and relief of suffering is delivered by a team that consists of doctors, nurses, social workers, and other specialists who work with a patient's existing physicians in order to provide an extra layer of support.

Guests:

[Sherri Cervantez, MD](#)

Dr. Sherri Cervantez is a faculty member in the division of hematology/oncology. She earned her B.S. in neuroscience and behavioral biology from Emory University. She received her medical doctorate from Virginia Commonwealth University and completed her residency in internal medicine at West Virginia University. She completed a fellowship in Hospice and Palliative Medicine at Virginia Commonwealth University prior to completing her hematology and oncology fellowship at UT Health San Antonio. She joined UT Health San Antonio MD Anderson Cancer Center in 2017 as Director of Palliative Oncology. Her clinical interests include lung cancers, head and neck cancers, and palliative oncology.



Sally Cain

Sally was diagnosed with Stage 4 lung cancer... (EGFR) in May 2022 after experiencing a nagging pain in her right side. Sally lives in San Antonio, and has experienced great support from her Palliative Care team in Texas. Her husband died a year before, and regrettably, he did not have a palliative care team.



Resources:

[What is Palliative Care?](#)

[Palliative Care & Lung Cancer](#)

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