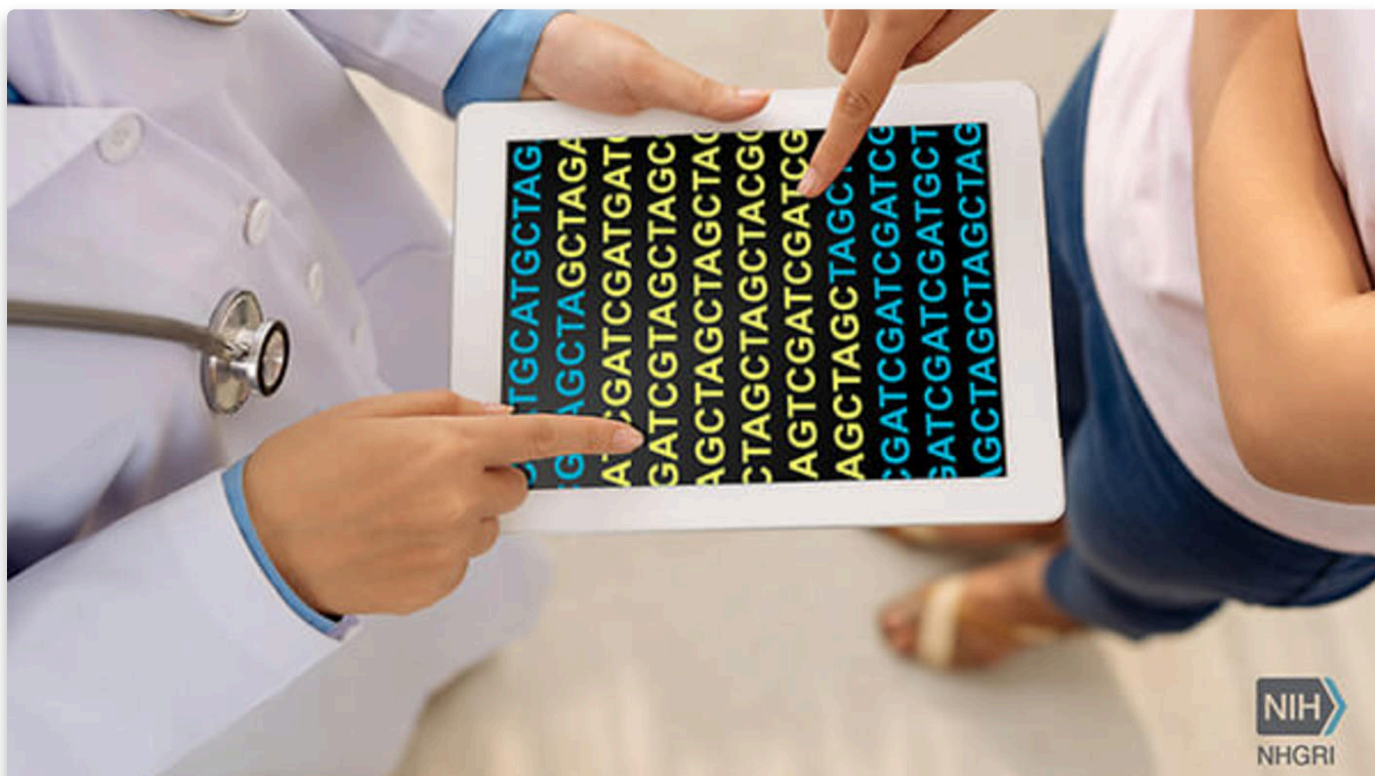




Types of Cancer Treatment

There are many types of cancer treatment. Some people with cancer have only one treatment. But most people have a combination of treatments, such as surgery with chemotherapy and radiation therapy.

The types of treatment that you receive will depend on the type of cancer you have and how advanced it is. To learn more about how specific cancers are treated, see the [cancer treatment information for adult](#) and [childhood](#) cancers. Our list of [Questions to Ask Your Doctor About Treatment](#) may help you talk with your doctor and learn more about your treatment options.



[Biomarker Testing for Cancer Treatment](#)

Biomarker testing may help you and your doctor choose a cancer treatment for you.

[Chemotherapy](#)

Chemotherapy works by killing or stopping the growth of cancer and other fast-growing cells.

Hormone Therapy

Hormone therapy is a treatment that slows or stops the growth of breast and prostate cancers that use hormones to grow.

Hyperthermia

Hyperthermia is a type of treatment in which body tissue is heated to help damage and kill cancer cells.

Immunotherapy

Immunotherapy is a type of cancer treatment that helps your immune system fight cancer.

Photodynamic Therapy

Photodynamic therapy uses a drug activated by light to kill cancer and other abnormal cells.

Radiation Therapy

Radiation therapy is a type of cancer treatment that uses high doses of radiation to kill cancer cells and shrink tumors.

Blood Stem Cell Transplant

Stem cell transplants are procedures that restore blood-forming stem cells in people who have had theirs destroyed by high doses of chemotherapy or radiation therapy.

Cancer Surgery

Surgery, when used to treat cancer, is a procedure in which a surgeon removes cancer from your body.

Targeted Therapy

Treatment that targets the changes in cancer cells that help them grow, divide, and spread.