

What to Say if Your Child Asks About Dying

When you talk with children and teens about their cancer diagnosis, they may ask if they are going to die. Not all children will ask directly. They may be worried about dying but not comfortable asking about it. It can be easy to quickly reply to try to comfort them and say things like, "Of course not." As hard as it is to be asked this question, it is an important question to answer. Older children and teens, and sometimes younger school together. I know we are both going to worry about things, but I think it will help if we talk about it.

Your cancer care team can help you talk with your child if they are worried about dying.

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