

Chemotherapy with Concurrent Radiation

Your medical oncologist has recommended that you receive chemotherapy with radiation/radiotherapy at the same time. This sheet will provide information on next steps to provide a greater continuity of care.

- Certain chemotherapy drugs improve survival in several cancers when given with radiation
- To be most effective, chemotherapy and radiation therapy should start together.
- Chemotherapy is usually given through a vein once a week, in some cases it can be administered with an oral pill (determined by your oncologist) for certain types of cancers.
- As you will learn at your radiation appointment, forming a treatment plan takes time as the radiation team maps/simulates the correct area needed to be treated for your safety.
- Radiation planning typically takes approximately 7-10 business days to complete after simulation.
- If you have your radiation start date and you do not hear from our infusion center to schedule you for chemotherapy, please give us a call at 904-202-7300 or contact your nurse navigator.