

SPIRITUAL AND RELIGIOUS NEEDS IN BREAST CANCER PATIENTS

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SOME SPIRITUAL NEEDS

Guilt

Sadness

Anxiety

Loss of role

Dimished self esteem



- ▶ Isolated
- ▶ No one to listen
- ▶ Feel not worth expressing

SOME REASONS SPIRITUAL NEEDS ARE
UNMET

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RELIGIOUS NEEDS

Prayer


Part of religious community

Questions: what have I done to be punished by God/Allah

- ▶ Energy to attend/socialise
- ▶ Struggle with questions and concern without help

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- ▶ Support groups are part of US cancer strategy
 - ▶ Vital in a community where there are taboos around illness and depression
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IF SPIRITUAL AND RELIGIOUS NEEDS ARE MET MORE
POSITIVE HEALTH OUTCOMES

IF SPIRITUAL AND RELIGIOUS NEEDS UNMET DEPRESSION
MORE LIKELY AS KNOCK ON EFFECT OF CANCER
DIAGNOSIS

