

Steph please, prognosis

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prostate cancer patient, late diagnosis, no RRP, no brachytherapy, no biopsy, way too late for that.

he's on 2 hormone therapies which I think may be helping him urinate, rather than a catheter.

He's youngish, but unfortunately has chronic heart disease and diabetes.

He's in Wales. They have no intention of giving him RT.

He's lost 9 stones without trying and despite being a home-type chef. (one of the loves of his life).

Due to messages on the other newsgroup, he thinks he's good until summer 2008 or longer.

results of Bone-Scan – as follows:

"There is extensive metastatic disease involving the Skull Vault; the cervical, thoracic and lumbo-sacral spine, bony pelvis, ribs, sternum, shoulders, elbows, wrists, knees, ankles and digitals. There is a concentration of metastatic disease involving both proximal femora"

Head x-ray – shows a cluster of as yet unspecified abnormal cells located between the (I forget now – but between two brain lobes)

Chest x-ray – small cluster of abnormal cells in the right upper lung.

Abdominal x-ray – two abnormal cell clusters on the liver.

CT-Scan to follow.

One problem is he lives alone and has no one to care for him and his cat.

Problem #2 he's been on they're cutting his morphine from 60 mg taken twice a day to 10 mg twice a day.

Median? for this self-described stubborn man and prostate cancer patients seem to do better, but there's the hips and the liver and the brain, in this man.

I need to know (so as to know) when to tell him to call in hospice.

Thanks

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