Conversation Guide: Biomarker Testing and its Role in Your Cancer Journey

1 What biomarker testing is recommended for the specific type of cancer I have?

2 Have any of these tests already been done? If so, what do they show?

³ What steps do I need to take to get any additional recommended biomarker testing?

4 How will the results be used to guide my cancer care?

6 Who can I talk to if I have questions about my test results?

6 How much will testing cost? Will my health insurance cover the cost?*

I have more questions about biomarker testing or other aspects of my cancer care. Can we talk about them?

*NOTE: Insurers often cover the cost of biomarker testing recommended by the National Comprehensive Cancer Network (NCCN) clinical practice guidelines or other guidelines. They may require that the test is deemed "medically necessary", and that prior authorization or special approval be obtained. To be certain about the cost, patients should check with their insurance company before testing.



Organizations for Cancer Information and Support



American Cancer Society cancer.org 1-800-227-2345



CancerCare cancercare.org 1-800-813-4673



Cancer Support Community

cancersupportcommunity.org 1-888-793-9355



National Cancer Institute

cancer.gov 1-800-422-6237 If you would like to learn more about biomarker testing, here is a list of organizations with trustworthy, helpful resources. Scan the QR codes with your phone or click the organization names to access their resources.



National Cancer Institute Biomarker Testing for Cancer Treatment

Cancer Support Community

Biomarker Testing for Cancer (*Left*) Frankly Speaking About Cancer: Precision Medicine (*Right*)







American Society of Clinical Oncology Tumor Marker Tests

(Doctor-approved Cancer Patient Information from ASCO)

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Cancer Biomarker Testing Fact Sheet





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