

Prostate Cancer—

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- ~ Watchful waiting.
- ~ Radiation therapy, hormone therapy, or transurethral resection of the prostate as palliative therapy to relieve symptoms caused by the cancer.
- ~ A clinical trial of radiation therapy.
- ~ A clinical trial of ultrasound-guided cryosurgery.
- ~ A clinical trial evaluating new treatment options.

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Stage IV Prostate Cancer

Treatment of stage IV prostate cancer may include the following:

- ~ Hormone therapy.
- ~ External-beam radiation therapy with or without hormone therapy.
- ~ Radiation therapy or transurethral

resection of the prostate as palliative therapy to relieve symptoms caused by the cancer.

- ~ Watchful waiting.
- ~ A clinical trial of radical prostatectomy with orchiectomy.
- ~ A clinical trial of chemotherapy.

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Treatment Options for Recurrent Prostate Cancer

Treatment of recurrent prostate cancer may include the following:

- ~ Radiation therapy.
- ~ Prostatectomy for patients initially treated with radiation therapy.
- ~ Hormone therapy.
- ~ Pain medication, external radiation therapy, internal radiation therapy with radioisotopes such as strontium-89, or other treatments as palliative therapy to lessen bone pain.
- ~ A clinical trial of ultrasound-guided

cryosurgery.

~ A clinical trial of chemotherapy or biological therapy.

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