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alone.

Ocumel Canada can help you :

- ✓ Find reliable information
- ✓ Access peer support
- ✓ Learn about clinical trials
- ✓ Access wellness programs
- ✓ Navigate financial challenges
- ✓ Receive one-on-one support



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Why this guide?

Patients with ocular melanoma who are informed live longer, and have a higher quality of life.

Before your appointment:



Bring a notebook



Ask for copies of your reports



Come to your appointment with a loved one



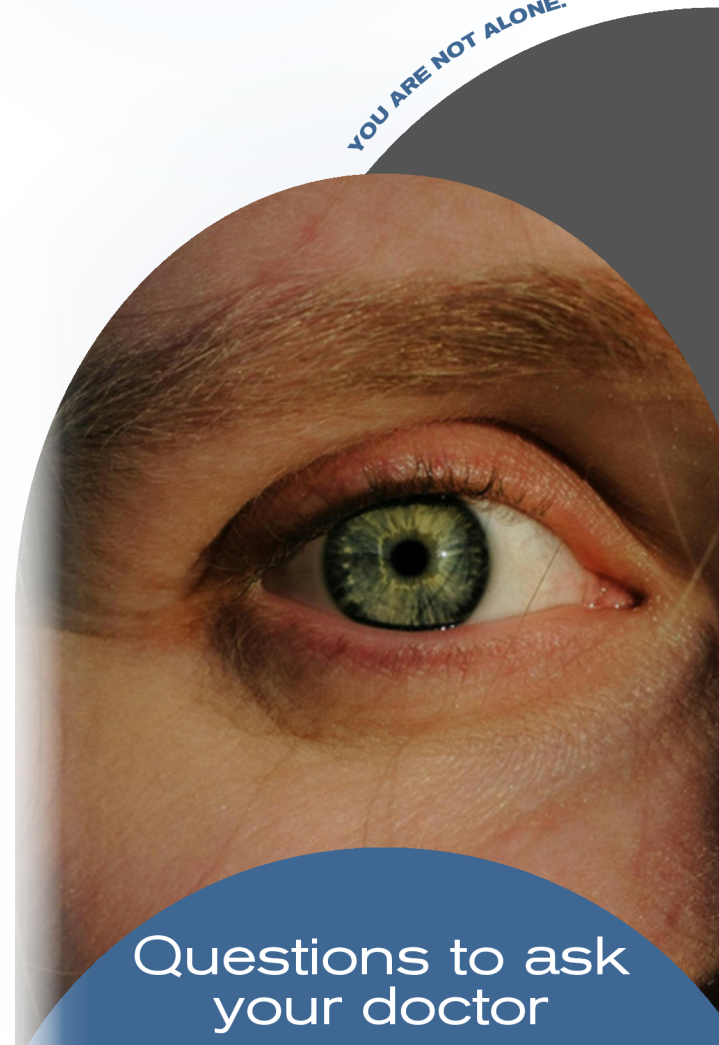
Don't be afraid to ask questions

You may meet with several specialists. Understanding their different roles can help you choose the program that best suits your treatment plan.



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Questions to ask
your doctor

Metastatic Disease

Discussion Guide for Patients with Ocular
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Questions about metastatic disease

- Where is my cancer located? What additional tests are needed to determine the extent of the disease?
- Have you tested for genetic mutations? Will the results guide us toward a particular treatment approach?
- Are there other treatments available at different centres that I should look into?
- Should I get a second opinion?
- If my disease mainly affects my liver, do you recommend liver-directed therapy or systemic therapy? What is the difference?
- Are systemic treatments such as immunotherapy and traditional chemotherapy effective in treating ocular melanoma?
- Can different treatments be combined? If so, which combinations would you recommend?
- Do outcomes differ depending on the treatment?
- What are the side effects of each treatment?



Questions about metastatic disease (continued)

- Will I need to travel for treatment, or can I receive it close to home?
- If I need to travel, do you know of any travel assistance programs? Who at cancer agencies or medical centres would have this information?



Treatment Questions

- Do I need a brain scan? Will I need one regularly?
- Do I need regular scans of the rest of my body? Which scans, and how often?



Your notes



Questions about clinical trials

- Could you explain how clinical trials work?
- What factors would make me ineligible?
- How can I find out about different clinical trials?
- Which clinical trials are currently recruiting participants in Canada?
- Are there clinical trials in other countries that I might be eligible for?
- Which clinical trials would you recommend?
- Do most insurance companies cover participation in clinical trials?



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