

Frontiers in Pain Management

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Concurrent Workshop B1

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3:15 pm - 4:30 pm

Long Term Effects of Cancer and Cancer Therapy: Focus on Pain

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Clinicians understand that patients often experience pain once their treatment has ended. To provide adequate pain relief, many cancer survivors require the use of opioids and other pain strategies over their lifespan. In this session, we will discuss the most common short and long term effects associated with cancer-related pain and its treatment experienced by cancer survivors. Through interactive group discussion, we will identify methods that can empower survivors and their families to advocate for optimal pain relief over the course of their disease.

At the conclusion of the session, participants should be able to:

- identify strategies for empowering cancer survivors and their families to advocate for effective pain management over the course of their cancer experience
- understand the most common long-term effects associated with cancer and its management in survivors experiencing cancer-related pain