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Introduction: Becoming a Caregiver for Cancer

This is a brief video that can be used at the beginning of an ILT or VILT group for caregivers.

Learning Objectives:

Identify places for caregivers to get information and resources.

Summarize at least two ways to take time for yourself as a caregiver.

Outline:

Brief Vyond video for caregivers to give an introduction for caring for a loved one with cancer. May be used with a ILT or VILT support group meeting for caregivers.

Characters:

Doctor Narrator

Patient Kim Child

Caregiver Rob 2 friends

Color Palette:

1. [Hospital]				
Visuals/Graphic	Script/Audio	Programming/Animation Notes	Comments	
View of hospital	Narrator: Receiving a cancer diagnosis is never easy. It will	Camera zooms to hospital		
	require a change in lifestyle for a period of time that can range from short term to long term. The diagnosis will be especially hard on your loved one, but you as the caregiver will be heavily impacted as well.	Soft music plays in background		

2. [Doctor Office]				
Script/Audio	Programming/Animation Notes	Comments		
Narrator: As the caregiver, there is a great burden that falls on you. You and your loved one will be experiencing a range of emotions as you navigate this new change.	doctor, patient, caregiver looking serious Soft music plays in background	Comments		
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3. [Cancer Support Group]			
Visuals/Graphic	Script/Audio	Programming/Animation Notes	Comments

Group meeting room with	Narrator:	Caregiver in group, listening to	
presenter, caregiver and	It is important to not only be	presenter going over tips to help	
others seated and listening	there for your loved one, but		
	also to take steps to take care	Soft music plays in background	
	of yourself. One available		
	resource is to attend a		
	caregiver orientation or		
	support group.		

4. [Trainer Slide]				
Visuals/Graphic	Script/Audio	Programming/Animation Notes	Comments	
Slide with Narrator and Text	Narrator: With the group, you can find helpful ideas from others in a similar situation. Your presenter will also have ideas for resources and help you build a network of support for yourself as you assist your loved one during this difficult time.	Caregiver in group, listening to presenter going over tips to help Shapes and text fade in with VO Soft music plays in background		

5. [Bedroom]				
Visuals/Graphic	Script/Audio	Programming/Animation Notes	Comments	
Home with patient lying down and caregiver entering room with meal	Narrator: While at home, take note of the best way to care for your loved one. They may have good days and bad days.	Patient lying down smiles at the caregiver entering the room. Caregiver brings food near bed		
		Soft music plays in background		

Do what you can to help them	
get the rest they need.	

6. [Caregiver Care]			
Visuals/Graphic	Script/Audio	Programming/Animation Notes	Comments
Images of samples of caregiver following advice, then cut to caregiver going out for a jog	Narrator: It is important to take time for your physical and mental health. Be sure you maintain a healthy diet for yourself, find time to	Shapes for sections and text fade in with VO Caregiver completing activities to take care of themselves	
	exercise or participate in a hobby or leisure activity.	Soft music plays in background	

7. [Small Child Needs]				
Visuals/Graphic	Script/Audio	Programming/Animation Notes	Comments	
Patient sitting on couch, caregiver reading with small child nearby	If you have a young child at home, it is important to ensure their needs are being	Patient looks over at caregiver and child reading and smiles		
	met as well. Balancing your time and finding a schedule that works for you and your family will be essential for everyone in the household.	Soft music plays in background		

8. [Working]				
Visuals/Graphic	Script/Audio	Programming/Animation Notes	Comments	
Caregiver in office setting	You likely will still need to work during this challenging time. Give yourself time and use any time during your commute or lunch to unplug for your mental health. Reading, listening to music or podcasts, or calling family or friends are a great way to take some time for yourself each day.	Caregiver is on phone, typing on computer, filling out reports Soft music plays in background		

9. [Friend Support]			
Visuals/Graphic	Script/Audio	Programming/Animation Notes	Comments
Family/friends visiting patient/caregiver	Be sure to ask family and friends for support. This could mean bringing items or food or just spending quality time together.	Characters interacting and socializing Soft music plays in background	

10. [Doctor Follow-Up]			
Visuals/Graphic	Script/Audio	Programming/Animation Notes	Comments
Doctor, patient, caregiver in office	Your role as a caregiver is no easy undertaking. Always	Patient talking to doctor, smiling	
	seek support for yourself if you find any days more	Soft music plays in background	

challenging than others and	
know it is okay to not be	
perfect. For more information	
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