Our Team

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SMS Physician
Board-Certified in Internal Medicine and Palliative Medicine

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Contact Us

In-person appointments are available at the:

UCSF Brain Tumor Center
400 Parnassus Ave., 8th Floor
San Francisco, CA 94143

We also see patients by video visit and home visits when eligible.

Appointment Scheduling:
(415) 885-7671, option 3

Clinical Concerns/Questions:
Neuro-Oncology Nurses
(415) 353-2652

SMS Nurses
(415) 885-7671, option 4

How You Can Help

The SMS and the Brain Tumor Center are deeply appreciative of your support of our work and special programs.
You can designate donations to:

https://makeagift.ucsf.edu.sms
https://braintumorcenter.ucsf.edu/make-gift

Symptom Management Service (SMS)
At the UCSF Brain Tumor Center
Our Services

SMS works side-by-side with your Neuro-Oncology Team to:

◊ Address the stresses and uncertainties of living with a serious illness
◊ Assist patients and families in determining what is most important to them, making choices based on their priorities and values, and completing advance care planning documents
◊ Treat pain, fatigue, nausea and other physical symptoms related to your brain tumor and/or its treatment
◊ Treat emotional and spiritual distress related to cancer and/or its treatment
◊ Provide support to loved ones and family members
◊ Coordinate with supportive services such as UCSF Psych-Oncology, Child Life Services, and Integrative Medicine

Learn more at: cancer.ucsf.edu/sms

About the Symptom Management Service

- The UCSF Brain Tumor Center is fortunate to partner with the UCSF Symptom Management Service (SMS) to provide palliative care integrated into the medical care of patients living with brain tumors.
- Palliative care is specialized medical care for people with serious illness and their families.* It can be provided throughout your brain cancer treatment.
- Palliative care focuses on providing patients with relief from the symptoms, pain, and stress of a serious illness so you can live as well as possible for as long as possible.
- Given the well-known benefits of palliative care for patients and families living with serious illness, multiple national organizations recommend all patients receive palliative care soon after their cancer diagnosis and that it be an integral part of their cancer treatment plan.
- Some people may not feel like they need to be seen in SMS now because they are symptom free. Most of our patients who come to SMS wish they had been seen earlier.

*getpalliativecare.org

"SMS is so helpful. I wish I had started here right from the beginning." ~ SMS patient

"This is just the greatest thing. I always feel better when I come here." ~ Loved one of an SMS patient