The role of Child and Adolescence Psychiatry in Paediatric Oncology

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Abstract

Children in oncology units face death. Many adults have the wrong idea that children don’t think about their own death. The most difficult moment is that of a relapse when a child thinks he is being punished. The role of child and adolescent psychiatrist concerns children, parents, siblings and other professionals involved in treatment. Mostly how to communicate bad news, but also how to return to normal life. When there is nothing we can do there is always something to do.