

Should we inform fatal diseased patients of their diagnosis?

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Introduction

The number of terminally ill patients is increasing in the world every year. For example, the number of cancer patients has increased by 21% over the past 10 years in Belarus. And must each such patient be informed of the diagnosis? Or not? The relevance of this work consists of the fact that there is no single opinion on the information of the diagnosis.

Aim of the study

To examine the issue, and also to learn and analyze the opinions of others on a given topic.

Materials and methods

In order to analyze the opinion of different people, I made a Gallup poll which was attended by 80 participants aged from 18 to 50 years old with the help of Google Forms.

Results

These Gallup poll shows that majority agree that it is necessary to inform patients of their “fatal diagnosis”, but some complications can appear.

Conclusions

Summing up, it is clear that single answer has not been found to this question, and the topic remains open for discussion. There are both pluses and minuses of the patient’s knowledge of his not comforting diagnosis.