Has the doctor spoken to you about if or how cancer treatment may affect your ability to have children?

Would you or your partner like further information on ability to have children?

If patient has not started drug treatment, provide contact information for fertility preservation and encourage patient to have appointment as soon as possible and before treatment.

If drug treatment has started, encourage the patient to discuss with their physician how the treatment may affect fertility.

Even if patient does not want further information, inform them that there are available resources that can be provided to them and/or their partner in the event they decide they would like additional information and that the options change after drug treatment is started.

If there is a partner, determine if the partner needs any supports.

Refer to treating Physician/APC
• Set up appointment with onco-fertility clinic to discuss reproductive options. This may require external referral. Note, Livestrong has specific fertility resources that they provide to young adults (link below)

Share Patient Links and Handouts as appropriate

See Reference links below for additional information

Routine - within 1 week: If there is no immediate treatment planned and/or no significant emotional distress, this will require immediate attention

Same Day if possible: If there are concerns about fertility being preserved and drug treatment has not started or if the patient and/or partner are experiencing significant emotional distress, this will require immediate attention

Local Resources
• Northwestern Medicine Fertility and Reproductive Medicine
• Northwestern Patient Navigator for Fertility Preservation
• Ann & Robert H. Lurie Children's Hospital of Chicago, Fertility & Hormone Preservation & Restoration Program
• UI Health, Fertility Preservation Program

Patient Links and Handouts:
➢ American Cancer Society, Female Fertility and Cancer
➢ American Cancer Society, Male Fertility and Cancer
➢ LIVESTRONG, Parenthood Options for Men and Parenthood Options for Women
➢ Cancer.Net, Fertility Concerns and Preservation for Women
➢ Cancer.Net, Fertility Concerns and Preservation for Men
➢ NIH, Sexual Health Issues and Fertility Issues (Women)
➢ NIH, Sexual Health Issues and Fertility Issues (Men)

CSOC Patient Handout can be accessed at:
http://cancer-help.me/have-children

References:
➢ ASCO, Dating, Sex and Reproduction
➢ Oncofertility: A New Medical Specialty Helping Young Cancer Patients Have Children
➢ The Oncofertility® Consortium