

CANCER IN CHILDREN AND ADOLESCENTS in Latin America and the Caribbean



• CANCER SURVIVORS •

EPIDEMIOLOGICAL DATA



In Latin America and the Caribbean, the childhood cancer survival rate is highly variable.

NEARLY,
29,000 children and adolescents develop cancer every year in Latin America and the Caribbean.¹

Globally

more than 80% of the children with cancer in high-income countries are cured.

But in many low and middle-income countries, the cure rate is approximately 20%.

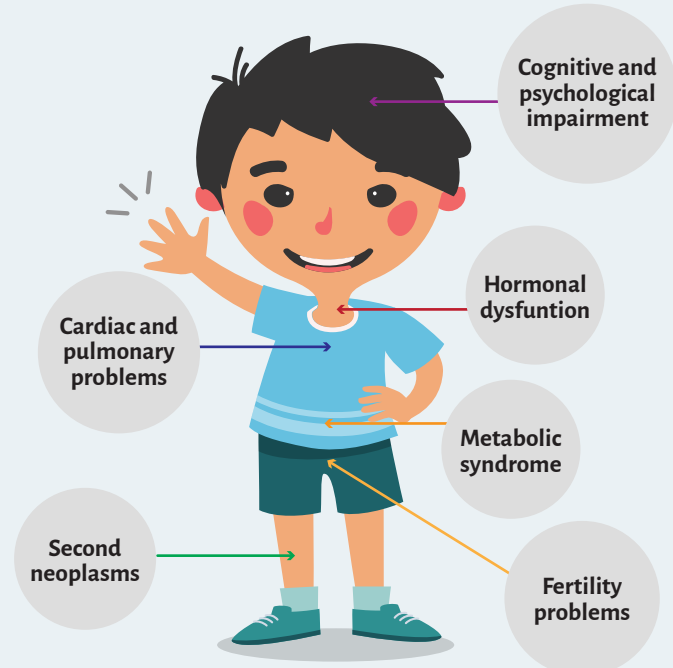
In the U.S., an estimated 1 in 600 adults between the ages of 20 and 39 had cancer during childhood.²

MEDIUM AND LONG-TERM ADVERSE EFFECTS

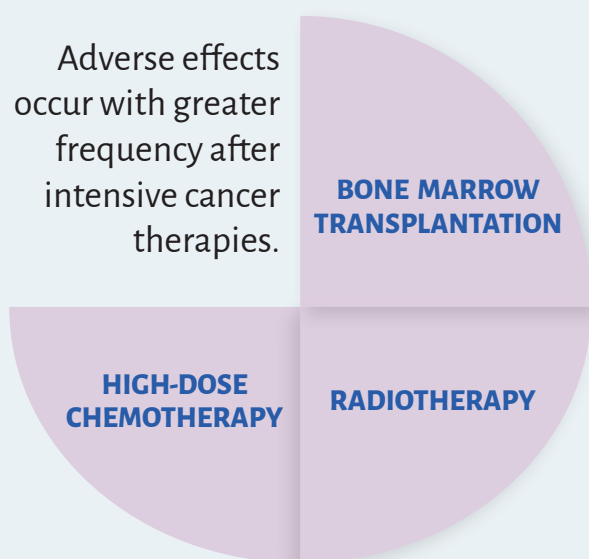


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childhood cancer survivors will develop a chronic health condition as they reach adulthood.^{3,4}



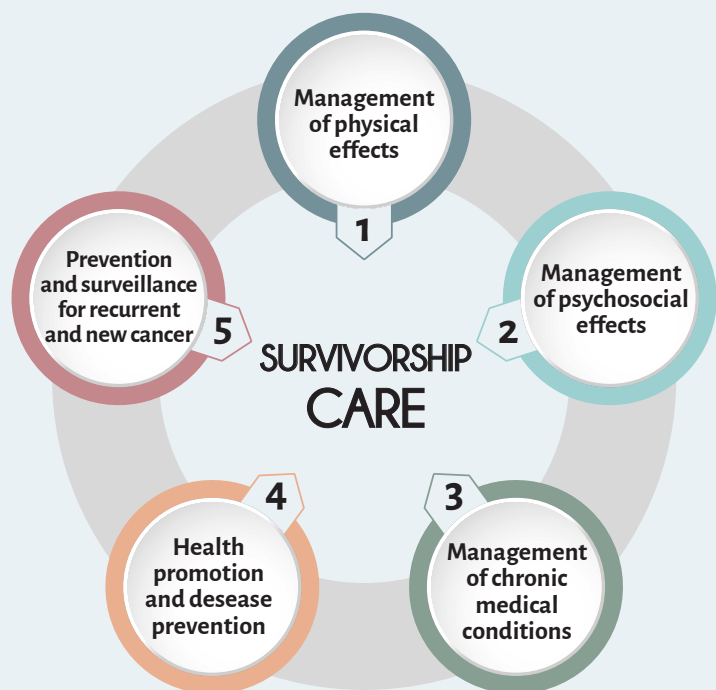
Adverse effects occur with greater frequency after intensive cancer therapies.



However, the impact of adverse effects can be lessened by timely detection and management by the specialized health team.

SURVIVOR CARE

The cancer survivor care strategies involve **FIVE** evidence-based domains⁵



INFORM AND EDUCATE YOUR PATIENTS SO THAT THEY

- Be their own health care advocate.
- Know and recognize the early symptoms of adverse effects and seek medical advice.
- Eat a healthy diet and stay active.
- Avoid unprotected sun exposure.
- Avoid alcohol and tobacco consumption.
- Participate in cancer screening checkups.

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