

Causes of EMOTIONAL DISTRESS In HEAD & NECK cancer PATIENTS



Lack of emotional SUPPORT

LOSS of SMELL, TASTE

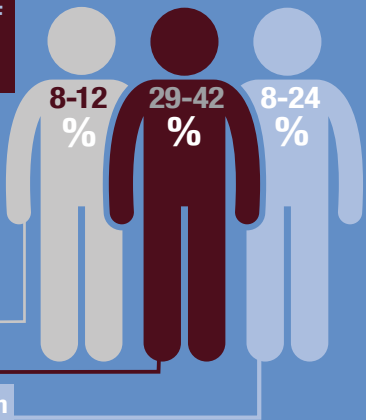
Poorly controlled PAIN

FACIAL disfigurement

FEAR OF DEATH

DIFFICULTY: Breathing, Speaking, Laughing, Eating, Chewing, Drinking

PREVALENCE OF DEPRESSION



General population

Head & neck cancer

General cancer population

SUICIDE rate among INDIVIDUALS WITH HEAD & NECK

CANCER is **3x** that of the GENERAL CANCER POPULATION

HEAD AND NECK CANCER: THE EMOTIONAL IMPACT