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Comparing the physical, psychological, social, and spiritual needs of patients with non-cancer and cancer diagnoses in a tertiary palliative care setting

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Table 1: Patient Demographics

	Patients with Non-Cancer Diagnoses	Patients with Cancer Diagnoses
Number of patients (n)	54	54
Median age (years)	67	67
Average length of stay (days)	28	21
Most common diagnoses	Amyotrophic lateral sclerosis (n = 6, 11%) Congestive heart failure (n = 7, 13%)	Breast cancer (n = 7, 13%) Lung cancer (n = 16, 30%)

Figure 1: Patient Discharge Destination

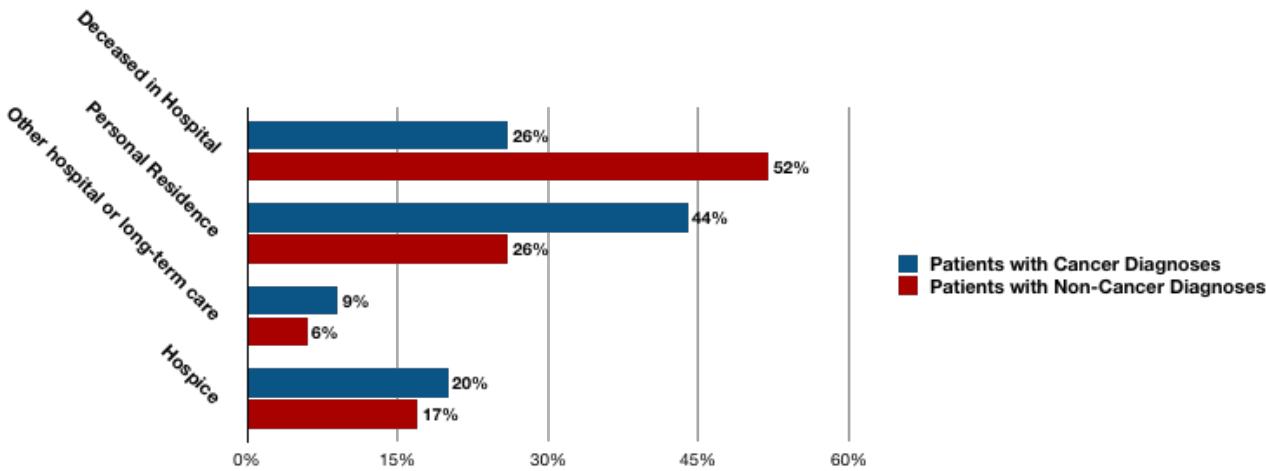


Figure 2: Physical concerns among patients with non-cancer diagnoses compared to cancer diagnoses

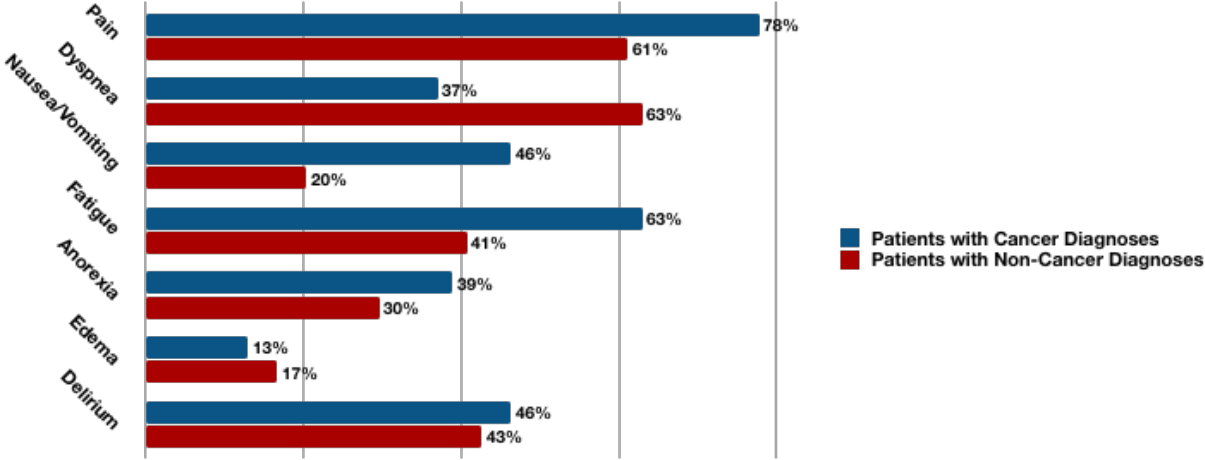


Figure 3: Psychological concerns among patients with non-cancer diagnoses compared to cancer diagnoses

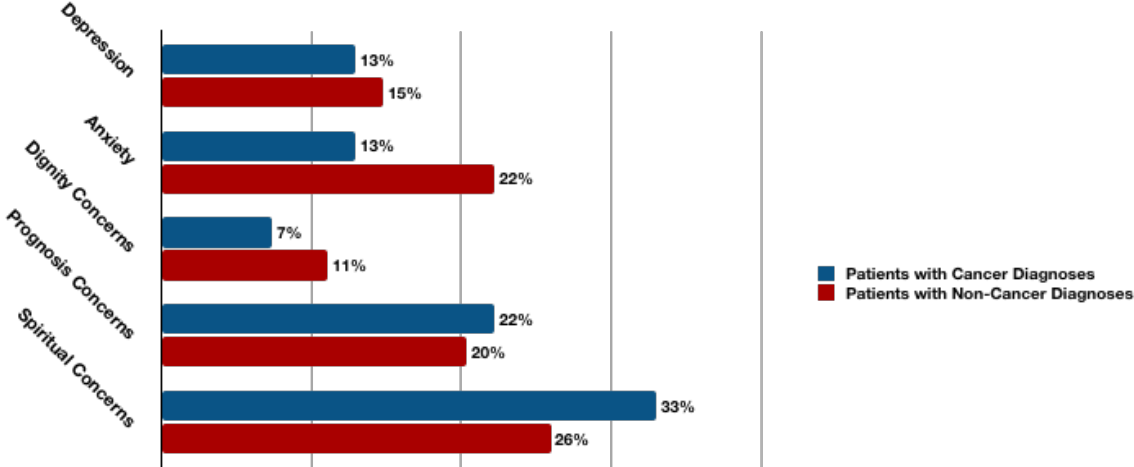


Figure 4: Social and spiritual concerns among patients with non-cancer diagnoses compared to cancer diagnoses

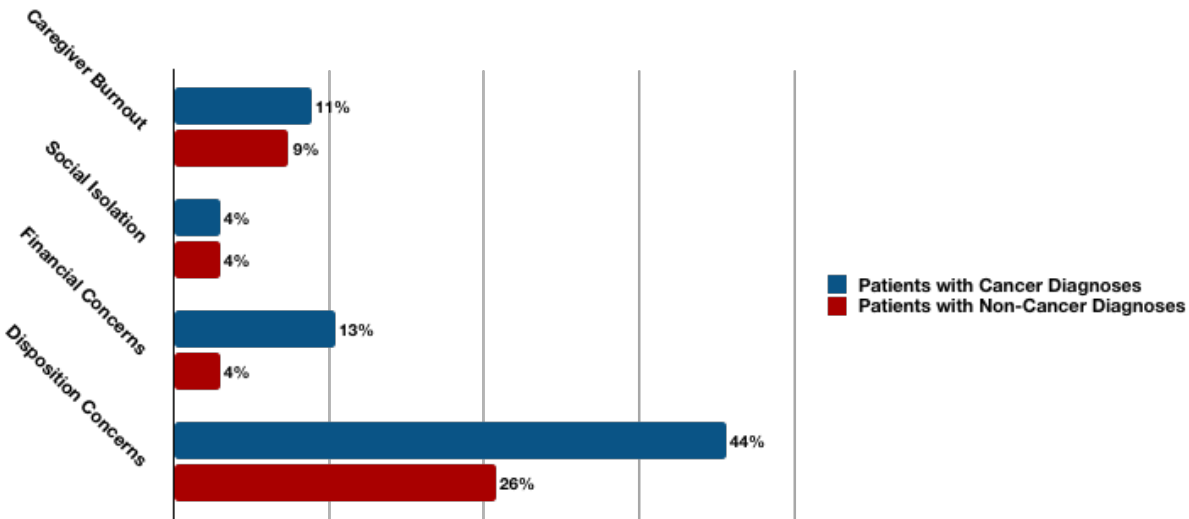


Figure 5: Summary of qualitative data of change in independence and care needs of patients with non-cancer diagnoses (Fitzsimons et al., 2007).

