

# Local Spread

## Take home points



- Depending on the type of cancer and how far it has spread, sometimes doctors will call cancers with local spread *locally advanced disease*.
- Locally invasive disease (direct extension) is when the tumor has grown larger and has invaded nearby organs or tissues..
- Multifocal disease is when several tumors (sometimes called implants) are detected close to the original tumor.
- Whether lymph node involvement is classified as local spread or systemic spread depends on the type of cancer and which lymph nodes are involved.

### What should I ask my doctor?

- Has my cancer spread? If so, how far?
- How would you categorize my cancer?

### Other questions I have...

Other questions I want to ask my doctor.

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### What I am thinking...

My notes and thoughts.

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### What I am feeling...

How I feel about this information.

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