Two Case Reports on Financial Toxicity and Healthcare Transitions in Adolescent and Young Adult Cancer Survivors

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A team conducted semistructured interviews and developed case reports about financial toxicity (FT) and healthcare transitions (HCTs) with two adolescent and young adult (AYA) cancer survivors. These reports found poor HCTs from pediatric specialty care to adult primary care. Nurses can address FT and facilitate smooth HCTs by screening AYA survivors and caregivers for financial stressors, engaging in cost-of-care conversations and interprofessional care coordination, and supporting access to navigation services.

AT A GLANCE

- AYA cancer survivors are vulnerable to FT and challenges with HCTs and access to care throughout the cancer care continuum.
- FT includes income loss, limited assets, restrictions on eligibility for financial aid, caregiver dependence, and limited support from providers.
- Nurses can support AYAs by coordinating care among providers and facilitating access to financial, legal, and social services.

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