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Ignite the Parent-Child Bond: A Qualitative Exploration of Perspective and Need About Family Functioning Among Patients with Advanced Cancer and Their Adolescent Children

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Abstract:

Background: Advanced cancer not only affects the physical, psychological and social functions of patients, but it also impacts their adolescent children. There is a dearth of information regarding the understanding of family functioning and specific needs of patients with advanced cancer and their adolescent children.

Purpose: This qualitative study aimed to explore the experience and needs regarding family functioning of patients with advanced cancer and their adolescent children, as well as understanding potential approaches for maintain positive family functioning.