

A 41 year old female with sexual dysfunction
following treatment for cervical cancer

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Today's Objectives:

- Describe the need for timely cancer case presentation and referral to treatment
- Formulate a multi-disciplinary plan for the care of common and complex oncologic cases
- Adopt successful, sustainable strategies to mitigate barriers to quality cancer care common in resource constrained environments

Target Audience:

Oncologists, internists, surgeons, radiation oncologists, infectious disease specialists, nurses, physicists, therapists, technicians, research staff, administrators, policy makers.



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History of Present Illness

- Female, 41 years old
- 2008: Whilst pregnant pap smear revealed morphological changes
 - ? Cervical Cancer
 - Rad Rx 2008 Nov (after birth) with resulting vaginal stenosis
- 2012/2013: Pap smear N



Past Medical History

- HIV Negative
- 2015 June went to gynae willing to help, total of x3 dilations under GA
 - Inserted was nivea roll on covered in condom to be removed 8 hours later
 - 1st two times would bleed, requiring stitches and time to recover
 - 3rd time was during physio Rx; Patient reported no bleeding and reports that gynae said insertion was easier.





Past Medical History, continued

- Bowel: anal dilation x3, last one 2012
 - No constipation
 - Stool consistency Bristol grade III-N, manages with diet
- Bladder: narrow stream, gets urge and can hold, feels completely empties the bladder
- Coitus: N before Rad Rx
 - Cannot get penetration, has urge



Past Medical History, continued

- G2P2 c/s 2008
- PIH at 8/9
- Hormonal therapy
- No family hx of cancer



On Exam

Physio Exam:

- Post rad Rx redness in genitalia
- Scar significant especially labia major inferiorly
B extending to soft tissue towards the anus
 - Reports sensation on genitalia even on the scar though ↓
- Vaginal opening: one and half finger breadths
- Vaginal depth: 4 cm, narrow angled towards anus



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On Exam

Physio Exam, continued:

- PF: 3/5 strength, endurance 3s, reps 3
- Sacral posterior bone protrusion: no pain, reports has been there since post rad Rx
- c/s mobility: ↓ fascial glide



Treatment Information

Currently:

- 2 to 2.5 finger breadths at vaginal opening
- vaginal depth angled away from anus
improving but less than 4 cm
- Urine stream N
- c/s scar mobility improved



Treatment Information

Laser Rx:

- 9.2j/cm², frequency continuous, time 4 min (total laser time 12 min), using cluster probe with 4 diodes LED therapy and 5 laser diodes at 670 to 950 wavelength Chattanooga brand.
- Before 3rd surgical vaginal dilation Rx frequency was 2x/day. Currently 3-4 times per week
- Scar tissue mobility: external and intra-vaginally







Questions

- Laser and scar tissue mobility are helping to make tissue more flexible, but the gains at this point cannot be sustained. Need to maintain that extensibility through periods of extended progressive dilation (need dilators which are not available to us). The 'condom dilator' to be kept in place needs to be hand held otherwise it slides off.
 - What suggestions/ideas can you give?
- Laser/LED combination Rx: What should be the Rx frequency?

