The Stat: Fear

A survey of people with kidney cancer reveals that they fear both COVID-19 and cancer progression equally.

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What do people with cancer fear most, catching COVID-19 or cancer progression? Both equally, according to a new survey of 530 people with kidney cancer conducted by the nonprofit Kidney Cancer Cure. The group's president, Dena Battle, notes that a 7 on the survey's scale reflects a high level of psychological distress—one usually associated with a need for professional psychological support. "Patients are really suffering, and it's a story that's not being told," says Battle. "I know that hospital systems are struggling and doing heroic things, but we need to find long-term solutions to make sure patients have access to the therapies that they need."

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