

## **QUESTIONS TO ASK YOUR DOCTOR**

## Diagnosis

- What can you tell me about my brain tumor type?
- Was molecular testing conducted to ensure the accuracy of tumor type?
- What is my prognosis, with and without treatment?

## Treatment

- What are my treatment options?
- What is the goal of treatment?
- If radiation is recommended, what is the difference between Whole Brain Radiation Therapy (WBRT) and Stereotactic Radiosurgery (SRS)?
- o Is SRS available at this treatment center? If not, is SRS available in the area?
- If WBRT is the best treatment, how do you recommend preserving my cognitive functioning? Is hippocampal avoidance possible?
- What are the risks, benefits, and side effects of each treatment?
- Will you be in touch with my primary oncology doctor?
- o Am I eligible for a clinical trial inside or outside this institution?
- Should I seek a second opinion?

## **Support Services**

- Where can my caregiver and I get more information about support and my diagnosis?
- o If I'm experiencing mental health difficulties, will this be addressed?
- Will I have access to a social worker or nurse navigator for support?
- Does your institution offer a support group?
- Who should I contact if I have questions after my appointment?