



SEX AFTER PROSTATE CANCER IN GAY AND BISEXUAL MEN: A REVIEW OF THE LITERATURE



WHAT IS THIS STUDY ABOUT?

Prostate cancer is the most commonly diagnosed cancer among males around the world. It has one of the highest 5-year survival rates of all cancers.



Most diagnosed individuals must live with the consequences of the disease and its treatments, including sexual side effects.



We conducted a literature review on sexual outcomes in this patient population to learn what is known about the sexual outcomes of prostate cancer in individuals who identify as gay or bisexual.



HOW DID WE COLLECT DATA?

We conducted a literature review with a focus on comparing the sexual outcomes between heterosexual and gay and bisexual men with prostate cancer. We also reviewed literature on the health care experiences of gay and bisexual men with prostate cancer.



WHAT DID WE FIND?



Gay and bisexual men with prostate cancer report a number of unique sexual concerns compared to their heterosexual counterparts, in particular, when talking to healthcare providers about sex.

They face heteronormative biases and homophobia in the health care system and are frequently dissatisfied with the information they receive with regards to prostate cancer and sexuality.

