

Information needs and decision-making preferences of older women offered a choice between surgery and primary endocrine therapy for early breast cancer

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Figure 1a. Information women found helpful when deciding between PET and surgery (Surgery information) how long I would be in hospital if I had an operation (N=75) if I needed to have my breast removed or could just have the lump removed (N=73) Items of information women wanted to know how safe the operation would be for me to have at my age (N=75) about any possible complications or side effects of the operation (N=69) whether my family/friends could look after me after the operation (N=65) about the side effects of the operation (N=66) the likelihood of cure if I had the operation and tablet treatment (N=63) about the sort of pain relief I could have (N=64) if I would have the same level of independence after the operation (N=63) about what might happen after a general anaesthetic (N=65) if I could be asleep or awake for the operation (N=62) the likelihood of cure if I just had the operation (N=59) if I would have pain after the operation (N=62) if I would need extra help at home after the operation (N=58) if I would look different after the operation (N=60) about possible support for my loved ones while I was in hospital (N=59) what the scar from the operation would look like (N=60) 0 20 40 60 80 Number of women ■ Yes No II Unsure ■ NA