

## Winning the Battle against Prostate Cancer: Get the Treatment that Is Right for You

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“Cut and Burn” treatments—prostate or lymph node removal, medical sterilization, different modes of radiation, and other highly invasive treatments—have been standard practice for prostate-cancer specialists for decades, although recent research indicates that such interventions may not extend life expectancy. And then there are the medications, most of which come with devastating side effects. Regardless of the treatment, a patient’s quality of life will suffer with these common standards of care.

With a wonderfully unbiased orientation toward informed consent and individualized care, Gerald Chodak, MD, provides an exhaustive analysis of the modern prostate-cancer treatments in *Winning the Battle Against Prostate Cancer*. Chodak is clear about what lab results mean for prognosis, and he suggests objective options.

The book is organized by order of what can be done when a previous intervention has failed. Informative research will help patients work out their own cost-benefit analysis of different treatment methods, including new and experimental treatments. Chodak also analyzes the value of some alternative health practices (diet, herbs, and supplements), and is a enthusiastic proponent of vegan diets. *Winning the Battle* doesn’t encourage readers to be at odds with their doctors. Instead, they will benefit from the realization that not all prostate cancer treatments are right for every man.

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