Spotlight on:Patient voice

Oncologists have been shocked by the growing body of evidence showing that many cancer patients are failing to take their drugs as prescribed, even when there is strong evidence to show they will benefit, and the side-effects are not considered serious. In this article, three patients try to explain why this may be happening. They urge oncologists to be more aware of their patients' doubts and concerns about their medication, and to help them feel more comfortable about discussing their problems with adherence.

What do you think?

How confident are you that your patients are taking oral medications as prescribed? What can health professionals do to encourage more open conversations about adherence?

You can read the full article in Cancer World.