Shared Decision Making
Designing for Cancer Care

The process of shared decision making (SDM) is difficult to implement. SDM is currently being advocated by both healthcare professionals and patients as the ideal for decision making. This also applies to adjuvant chemotherapy treatment decisions, regarding patients with colon cancer.

To prepare both patient and physician for making the treatment decisions by means of SDM, the IPD was created. The main functions are; Provide general information, enable interaction between patient and physician and provide prediction information about life expectancy from IKNL.

1. Oncological surgeon consultation

The patient is invited by an email, to the IPD, by the oncological surgeons’ portal.

3. Oncologist preparation

The oncologist check’s the patients’ preferences and values concerning quality of life before the consultation through their portal.

2. Patient at home

Through the login in into the patients’ portal, the patient has access to the IPD, to prepare themselves for the treatment decision.

4. Oncologist consultation

By using the IPD, both patient and oncologist are prepared for the consultation. During the SDM process a final treatment decision is made.