Questions to ask an Oncologist about Clinical Trials

Are there any clinical trials available for my type of cancer? What is the purpose of the trial? Is the trial for immunotherapy drugs? How long is the trial? Where do I have to go and how long is each visit? What are the risks of joining the trail? What are the possible benefits of joining the trial? If I am the 'placebo patient' will I still get some form of treatment? Who will be in charge of my care? What are the costs associated with the trial? Is there someone similar to me currently in the trial I could talk to? What happens if I decide to leave the trial? ☐ Immunotherapy drugs can be expensive. Am I able to have this treatment without joining a trial? ☐ How long do I have to make a decision? ☐ After my initial treatment, what future tests, scans and check-ups will I require and how often? Blood tests, urinalysis X-rays Scans (CT, MRI, bone, PET) Cystoscopies Additional chemotherapy, radiation therapy, immunotherapy

☐ Do you have any previous patients I could talk who have already been through this treatment?