



Care and support  
through terminal illness

# Ovarian cancer and parenteral nutrition

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# Aims

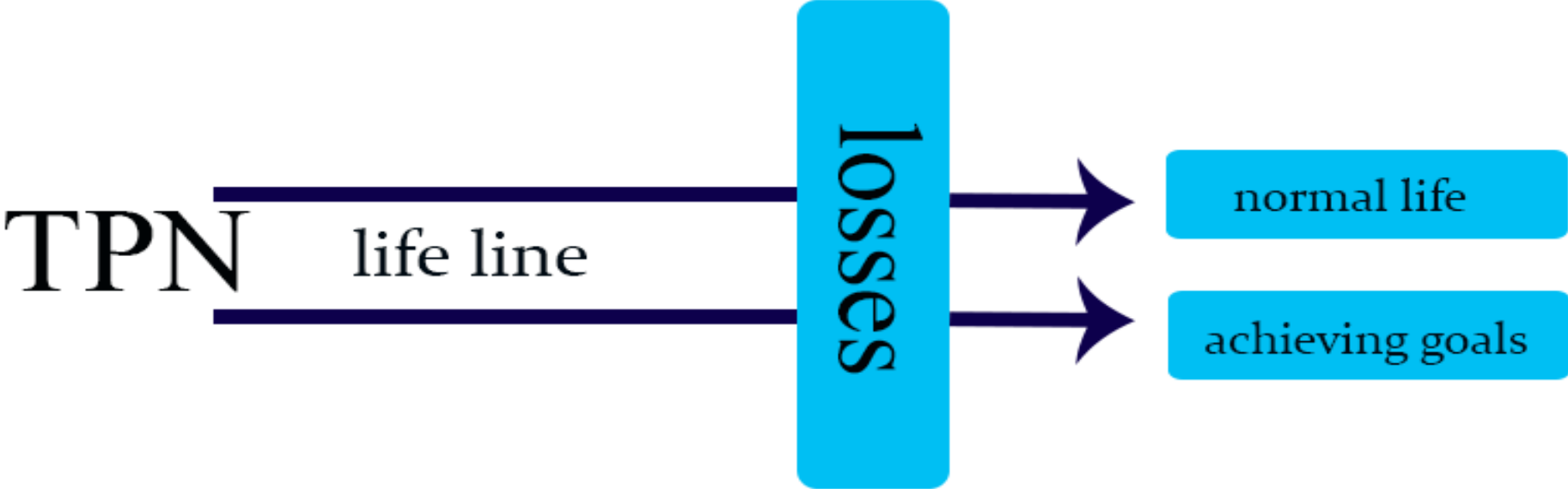
- \* Characteristics of patient population
- \* Decision making processes
- \* Lived experience of patients and relatives

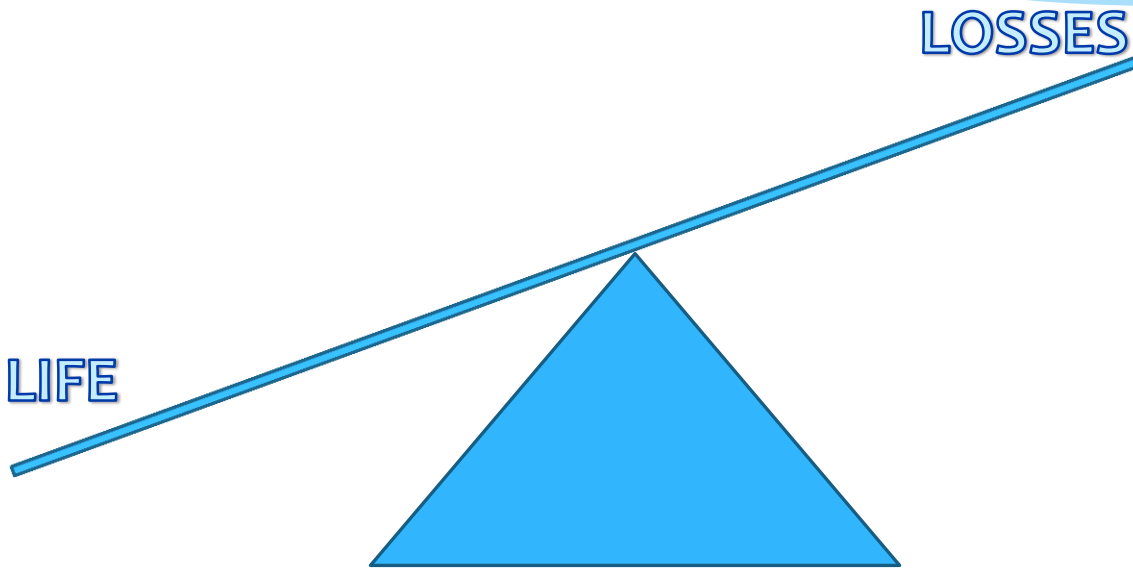
# Recruitment

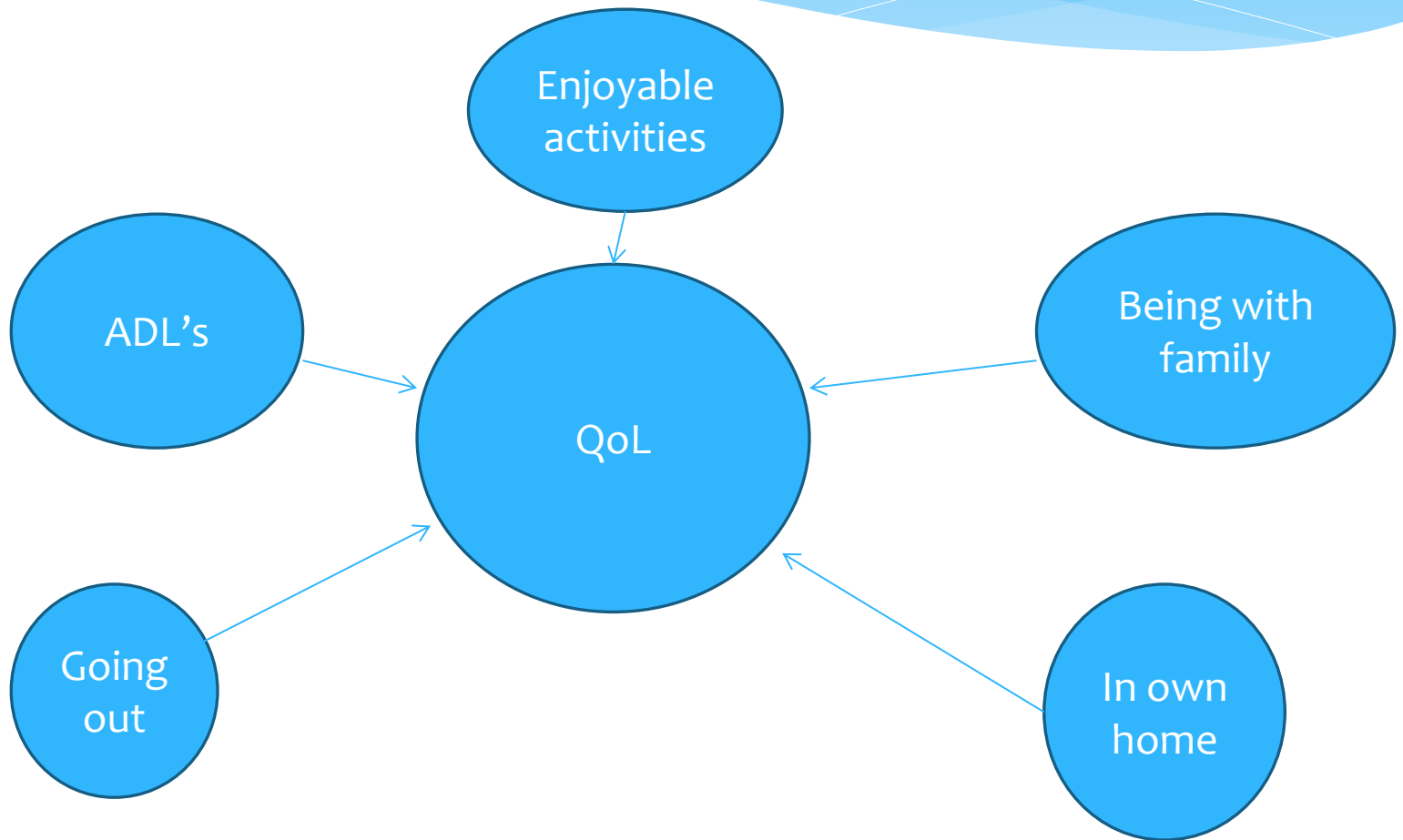
- \* 20 Patients
  - \* 11 patients interviewed once on ward
  - \* 3 patients – 2 interviews
  - \* 3 patients – 3 interviews
  - \* 3 patients – 4 interviews
  
- \* 13 carers
  - \* 4 daughters
  - \* 8 husbands
  - \* 1 Son



**BITTERSWEET:  
LIVING LIFE  
IN THE FACE OF LOSS**

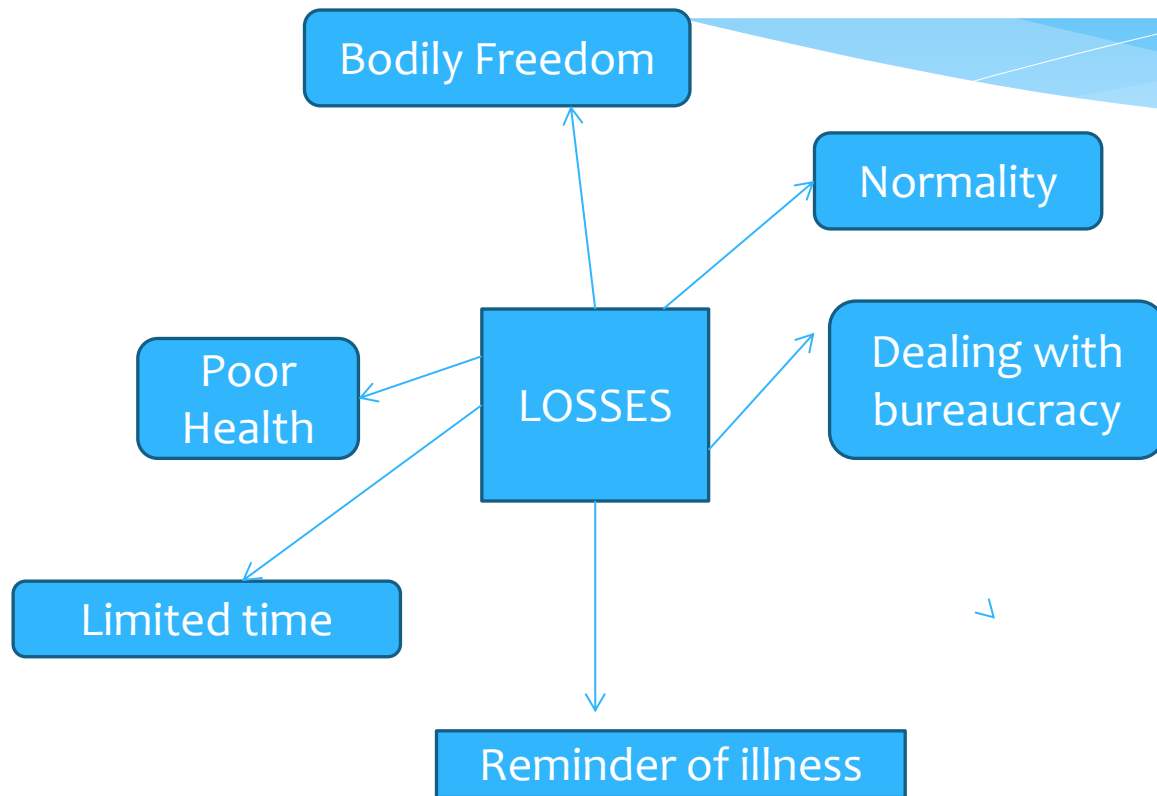












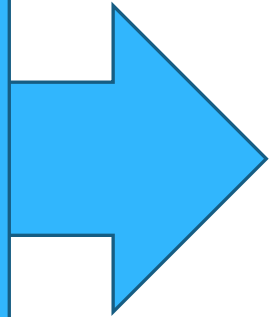
# Carers

TPN

Life line

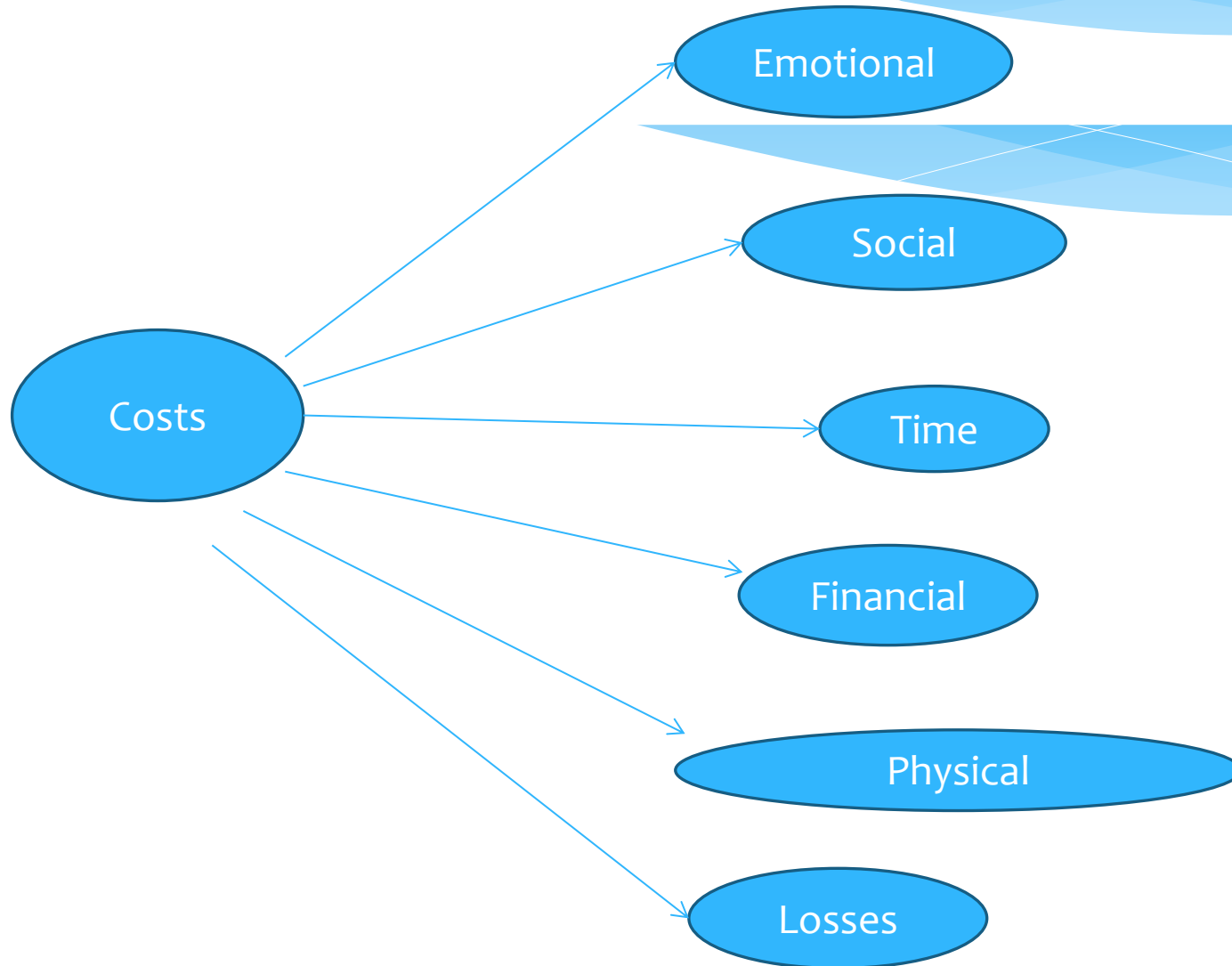


Costs



Time at home

# My life is on hold



# Conclusions

- \* Problems and losses
- \* PN should not be withheld in palliative oncology setting
- \* “If I didn’t want it then I wouldn’t be here now”



**Thank you**