Can you get disability support for cancer?

When you think of a disability, do you often think of only injuries? For instance, the first thing many people consider is paralysis. If you're in an accident or injured at work and you're paralyzed, you're clearly going to be barred from most jobs, so you're going to be able to seek disability payments.

While this is true, it's important to note that disability benefits are for far more than just injuries. You can also get them if you have an illness, such as cancer.

The type of cancer you have and how advanced it is makes a difference. For example, if you have skin cancer and it is caught early, you may not qualify, at least not long term. This is one of the easiest types of cancer to cure quickly, as long as they know it is there as soon as possible and the spot can be removed. It's worth noting that there are cases of skin cancer that can result in benefits, of course, as each case is different, but this more often shows up for severe and debilitating types of cancer.

For example, if you have a brain tumor, it could give you constant headaches, trouble seeing and very extensive treatment that leaves you weak. All of this means it could be entirely impossible for you to work. For an illness like this – or for things like multiple sclerosis, lupus, rheumatoid arthritis and more – you may qualify for assistance.

If you'd like to see a longer list of qualifying illnesses and to learn more about your options in Pennsylvania, please check out our website today.