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| **Conclusion** | A diagnosis of Prostate Cancer (PCa) can cause significant disruption to the family unit and the quality of life of its members. Support programmes offering guidance to children/young adults affected by PCa in their family, and addressing the concerns of parents may help families to better adapt. Further research is needed to elucidate appropriate, effective supportive interventions. | |
| **What this means for the service** | Encouraging clinical professionals to initiate conversations with younger couples about their children may be a way forward in directing appropriate support. | |