

Patient Information

## Gynaecology

# Macmillan Gynae-Oncology specialist service

To be told that you, a family member or a friend has or may have a gynaecological cancer is a difficult situation, which you may feel unable to cope with.

To help you deal with this difficult situation, the Macmillan Gynae-Oncology Specialist Team can offer support to patients and their families at all stages of their cancer journey.

## Who are the Macmillan Gynae-Oncology specialists?

Nurse Consultant: Vikki Jones

Macmillan Gynae-Oncology clinical nurse specialists - one of them will be your key worker:

- Lisa Washington
- Rachel Hotchkiss
- Chrissy Cushen-Parnell

Macmillan Patient Navigator: Stacey Morris

To contact them, ring **024 7696 7238**



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### **Where are we based?**

University Hospitals Coventry & Warwickshire

Women's Hospital

West Wing

Clifford Bridge Road, Coventry, CV2 2DX

Hours of work:

Monday – Friday: 9.00am to 4.30pm

Tel: 024 7696 7238 (Answer machine)

### **What we offer to patients as their key worker**

- Support and information at time of diagnosis
- Support and information for patients, families, and carers about gynaecological cancer and the treatments available for the disease
- Guidance and support both in hospital and at home (via the telephone) to patients and families, pre and post treatment
- A link between patients and their medical and surgical team
- Advice and referrals to other health professionals such as dieticians, physiotherapists, social workers, Macmillan cancer nurse specialists, the Macmillan palliative care team, lymphoedema clinical nurse specialists, psycho-sexual counsellors, district nurses and others as needed.

### **Further contacts you may find useful:**

#### **Hospital**

#### **Cancer Information & Support Centre**

For information and support about all aspects of cancer

Local Centre at University Hospital Tel: 024 7696 6052

National Macmillan Helpline: 0808 808 00 00

Website: [www.macmillan.org.uk](http://www.macmillan.org.uk)

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### **Macmillan Citizens Advice Bureau (CAB) Tel: 024 7625 2050**

This free service will see patients and relatives by appointment in a room in the main entrance of University Hospital, Coventry. To book an appointment please ring the number above.

### **Spiritual and Religious support Tel. 024 7696 4000**

Please phone switchboard and they will contact the relevant person according to your faith.

### **The Arden Cancer Centre, Tel. 024 7696 7290**

Offers information, support, counselling and complementary therapies

## **Other contacts**

### **Ovacome**

A nation-wide support group for people affected by ovarian cancer: **0845 3710554**

If you are under 45 you can find out more about Ovacome's young ovarian cancer support network by contacting Ruth Payne on 020 7299 6650

Ovacome runs a network which can put you in touch with someone in your local area with ovarian cancer, who can talk to you over the phone. You can join Fone Friends Network by ringing 020 7299 6654.

### **Target Ovarian Cancer**

Target Ovarian Cancer Courses – Target Ovarian Cancer runs a programme of courses to support women living with & beyond ovarian cancer including local day events, support after finishing treatment and training to raise awareness of symptoms.

Telephone 020 7923 5470 for further information.

[www.targetovariancancer.org.uk](http://www.targetovariancancer.org.uk)

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### **Jo's Cervical Cancer Trust**

Jo's Cervical Cancer trust is the only UK charity dedicated to women and their families affected by cervical cancer and cervical abnormalities.

Helpline: 0808 802 8000

[www.jostrust.org.uk](http://www.jostrust.org.uk)

### **Vulva Awareness Campaign Organisation – VACO**

For one-to-one support email [vacouk@yahoo.com](mailto:vacouk@yahoo.com)

[www.vaco.co.uk](http://www.vaco.co.uk)

### **Macmillan Cancer Support**

Information about Macmillan services and activities. **0808 808 00 00**

### **Warwick Cancer Support Group**

Supports all cancers including all gynaecological cancers.

Meets – 1<sup>st</sup> Friday of every month 2.30pm-4pm

Venue – The back room of the restaurant Warwick hospital, CV34 5BW

Contact – Shirley Griffin, Macmillan information & support Nurse Specialist  
01926 495321 EXT 8214

Deborah Smith Macmillan Information and Support Lead on 01926 495321  
EXT5871

Refreshments provided. The group is informal – the group is suitable for anyone (including relatives and carers) affected by cancer.

**Solihull Cancer Support Group** – Supports all cancers including gynaecological cancers.

Meets - 2nd and 4th Thursday of the month at 7.30 pm

Venue – Marie Curie Hospice. Marsh lane. Solihull. West Midlands B91 2PQ

Contact: Patricia Hill **0121 711 1966** or Sue Newman **0121 745 2615**

**[www.solihullcancersupport.org](http://www.solihullcancersupport.org)**

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**Joined in cancer– Supports all cancers including gynaecological cancers.**

Meets – 1st Wednesday of the month between 10.30am – 12.00am at Coventry Myton Hospice Contact: **024 7696 6052**

**Carers Trust Heart of England** – offer information, advice and support and practical help. **024 7663 2972**

### **The Gynae-Oncology UHCW Specialist Multi-Disciplinary Team consists of:**

**Gynae-Oncology surgeons:** Ms S Shanbhag/ Mr J Twigg/  
Mr S Kumar / Mr M A Dunderdale

**Oncologists:** Dr M L Hocking/ Dr N Walji / Dr V Sangha/ Dr L McAvan

**Pathologists:** Dr S Shatrughan/ Dr C Wight/ Dr R Ganguly/ Dr S. Read-Jones/ Dr A Kandiyil

**Radiologist:** Dr C Parson/ Dr J Rai/Dr. L-Q Hon

**MDT co-ordinator:** Melissa Carter

**Consultant Nurse:** Vikki Jones

#### **Macmillan Gynae-Oncology clinical nurse specialists:**

Lisa Washington / Rachel Hotchkiss/ Chrissy Cushen-Parnell

**Macmillan Gynae-Oncology clinical nurse specialists** (supporting patients during and after chemotherapy):

Sandeep Chahal / Catherine Matthews 024 7696 7465

#### **Macmillan radiotherapy specialists:**

Julia Biggs & Alison Crichton 024 7696 7290

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**Brachytherapy radiographer:** Lauren Poole 024 7696 7294

**Macmillan palliative care nurse specialist:**

Sharron Hollyoaks 024 7696 5498

**Clinical trials & research nurse:** Herleen Turner 024 7696 4752

Your planned care will be discussed at a weekly, multi-disciplinary team meeting. We hope you feel reassured knowing that your planned care is following network guidelines and is discussed and agreed by a team of specialist professionals in the field of Gynae-Oncology.

Access to any of the Gynae-Oncology Multi-Disciplinary Team can be made via switchboard **024 7696 4000** or through your key worker: Lisa Washington/ Rachel Hotchkiss/ Chrissy Cushen-Parnell

## **Gynaecology Clinical Nurse Specialist names & contact details at referring hospitals:**

### **George Eliot Hospital**

Kerry Pearson (Lead Nurse for gynaecology)

0798 412 6109 or via George Eliot switchboard 024 7635 1351 speed dial 1419

### **Alexandra & Worcester Hospital**

Nicky Plant & Helen Farnhill

01905 733257 or radio-page via switch 01905 763333

Email: [wah-tr.gynaecancercns@nhs.net](mailto:wah-tr.gynaecancercns@nhs.net)

### **Warwick Hospital**

Liza Newton & Beth Molyneux

01926 495321 EXT 8122 or bleep 5127

## Patient Information

The Trust has access to interpreting and translation services. If you need this information in another language or format, please contact 024 7696 7000 and we will do our best to meet your needs.

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