

PATIENT INFORMATION

Joint Head and Neck Oncology Clinic

What is the Joint Clinic?

It is an outpatient visit where you will meet a team of Doctors and other health care professionals who work together to give you the best possible care. The Consultants that you may see are head and neck specialists; a Consultant Surgeon, a Consultant in Oncology and/or a Palliative Care Consultant, who can advise on symptom management.

At the clinic they will talk with you and your family about your care and treatment.

Who else might I see in the clinic?

- Head & Neck Specialist Nurses, who can help you understand your diagnosis and offer support during treatment.
- The Dietitian who can offer information and advice on special diets
- Speech and Language Therapist, who will offer any advice on speech and swallowing that may be affected by your treatments.

Do you need to bring anything with you?

If you have been given your hospital hand held record this should be brought with you.

Please bring a list of any medications you are taking. We would encourage you to bring someone with you; they can be present while you see the team.

How long will I be at the clinic?

It is not always possible to say how long your visit will last. You will have a lot of information to take in and may need some time yourself. Allow 2 hours.

You may not be seen in appointment order, and there may be some delays.

Where is the clinic held?

The clinic is held in the ENT Department, Level 2, which is situated in the main outpatients department.

Please note that the information in this leaflet is to be used as a guide only.

Each individual's needs will be discussed by the Nursing Staff and Doctors before discharge from hospital.

If you need any further assistance or information please contact either:

- **Bookings Office - please refer to your clinic letter**
- **01803 655044 Head & Neck CNS**

For further assistance or to receive this information in a different format, please contact the department which created this leaflet.

Working with you, for you

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