

Additional National and Local Support from:-

Roy Castle Lung Cancer Foundation Tel: 0333 323 7200 www.roycastle.org

Macmillan Cancer Support & Information
Tel: 0808 808 0000
www.macmillan.org.uk

Mesothelioma UK
Tel: 0800 169 2409
www.mesothelioma.uk.com

The Lodge Cancer Support & Information Centre Torbay Hospital Annexe. Tel: 01803 617521

Rowcroft Hospice Avenue Road Torquay TQ47AA

Tel: 01803 210800

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

PATIENT INFORMATION

Lung Cancer Specialist Nursing Service

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Working with you, for you

What is the lung cancer specialist nursing Service?

We provide information and support for patients with a diagnosis (or a suspected diagnosis) of lung cancer or mesothelioma and their families and carers. We aim to give you the best possible health care. This leaflet outlines some of the ways the service may be able to help you.

Please feel free to contact us directly on 01803 655069 – it will always be the answer phone, please leave a message and we will get back to you as soon as possible.

Other key professionals you may meet include:-

Chest physicians: Dr E. Ginn

Dr S. Rolin

Dr H. O'Regan

Locum Consultant/s

Oncologists: Dr N. Dorey

Dr L. Medley

Thoracic Surgeon: Mr J. Rahamim

How can the Service help me?

We are here to support you and those close to you throughout your illness. We work closely with the doctors and nurses on the wards and outpatient clinics.

We monitor your appointments and tests to make the process as smooth as possible for you.

We can provide the following:-

- Information about lung cancer
- Information about the tests and treatment you may have.
- Personal and emotional support through all stages of your illness.
- Information on treatments.
- Help with symptoms.

- A link to financial support.
- A link to other professionals in the hospital e.g.
 Consultants, Dieticians and Palliative Care Team.
- A link to the Community Team to provide ongoing support e.g. – Palliative Care Nurses, your GP, District Nurses etc.

Continued Support

Our service is not just for during investigations and treatment. We are available to provide ongoing support after treatment has finished. Please contact us if you have questions or concerns and we will give advice, or arrange tests / appointments if needed.

Questions?

It is often when you have left the hospital that you think of things you should have asked or may need things explained further. We are available to help at this time. If we are not able to answer all your questions then we can put you in touch with further help.

Multi-disciplinary Team Meetings

When the results of your tests are available your hospital specialists will discuss your care at a weekly multi-disciplinary team meeting. This meeting includes the whole lung cancer team. This ensures that any treatment recommended to you is the best and most appropriate, for you. The team includes surgeons, oncologists (cancer specialists) radiologists (x-ray specialists), respiratory physicians (chest doctors), & Lung Cancer Nurses. Decisions made for your care will then be discussed with you.

Nurse Led Clinic

You may be offered a phone call or an appointment to see us, rather than the doctor for test results and the outcome of the Multi-disciplinary meeting.