



Oxford University Hospitals
NHS Foundation Trust

Oxford Sarcoma

Multi-Disciplinary Team (MDT)

Information for patients



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This information leaflet tells you about the team who will be involved in your sarcoma care.

The Oxford University Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust (OUH) includes the Nuffield Orthopaedic Centre (NOC), Churchill Hospital and John Radcliffe Hospital in Oxford, as well as the Horton General Hospital in Banbury. Your care may be at one or more of these hospitals.

For more information please visit our website:

www.oxfordsarcoma.co.uk

Multi-Disciplinary Team (MDT)

The MDT is a team of professionals who will be caring for and supporting you. This team is made up of a range of staff members such as doctors, nurses, radiologists, pathologists and therapists, who are experts in different areas of medicine and care.

Members of the MDT

Consultant surgeons:

The team of surgeons are specialists in performing the type of surgery that may be needed to treat your condition.

Specialist Orthopaedics

Professor Max Gibbons (Sarcoma MDT Chair)

Mr Duncan Whitwell

Mr Tom Cosker

Plastics

Professor Henk Giele

Mr Paul Critchley

Miss Lucy Cogswell

Mr Alex Ramsden

Gastrointestinal

Mr Bruce George

Spinal

Mr Jeremy Reynolds

Cardiothoracic

Mr Dionisios Stavroulias

Mr Francesco Di Chaira

Paediatrics

Professor Tim Theologis

Mr Andy Wainwright

Your consultant surgeon is

Consultant oncologists:

The team of oncologists are specialists in the chemotherapy and radiotherapy treatments used to treat your type of cancer. The oncologists are based at the Churchill Hospital.

Chemotherapy

Professor Bass Hassan Secretary 01865 235 273
Dr Sarah Pratap (Thames Valley Cancer Alliance Sarcoma
Group Lead) Secretary 01865 235 273

Radiotherapy

Dr Sally Trent Secretary 01856 235 273
Dr David Cutter (Teenage and Young Adult Service)

Paediatrics

Dr Shaun Wilson Secretary 01865 234 196

Your consultant oncologist is:

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Oxford will work with other hospitals in the network to co-ordinate certain treatment, for example, radiotherapy or chemotherapy if you live outside the Oxford area.

Specialist Nurses:

Specialist Nurses are qualified nurses with specialist training and extensive experience. They offer advice and support throughout your diagnosis, treatment and follow-up.

One of the nursing team will act as your key worker during your treatment, which means they are the main point of contact for you, your family and any professionals involved in your care. They can be contacted between 8.00am and 3.30pm, Monday to Friday (excluding bank holidays).

Specialist Nurses

Vicky Wren 01865 738 282 (direct line) Bleep 7173

Millie Okello 01865 227 808 (direct line) Bleep 7170

If you need to speak to one of the Specialist Nurses urgently you can bleep them via the hospital switchboard by dialling 0300 304 7777 and asking for their bleep number as listed above.

Email: @ouh.nhs.uk

Your Specialist Nurse is

Teenage and Young Adults (TYA) Specialist Nurse

Karen Sherbourne 01865 272 281 (direct line)

..... 0300 304 7777 (ask for bleep 6678)

..... 07827 312 614 (mobile)

Consultant radiologists:

Radiologists are specialists in examining and interpreting X-rays, CT scans, MRI scans, PET CT and bone scans, as well as other diagnostic tests used to diagnose conditions.

Consultant histopathologists:

Histopathologists are specialists in examining tissue and cells taken from biopsies and other diagnostic samples, to diagnose conditions and types of cancer.

MDT co-ordinator:

The MDT co-ordinator plans the MDT meetings, making sure that you are discussed and the clinical teams have all your medical information.

Bone and Soft Tissue Tumour Service Pathway administrator:

Claire Moriarty 01865 738 042 (direct line)

This person will co-ordinate your clinic appointments and send information between the hospitals.

Other members of the MDT:

There are other specialists such as physiotherapists, occupational therapists, dietitians, social workers and research nurses who are part of the extended MDT. You may be referred to these specialists where appropriate.

Lead Physiotherapist

Lindsay Charlesworth 0300 304 7777 (ask for bleep 7149)

Lead Occupational Therapist

Clare McKenzie 0300 304 7777 (ask for bleep 7179)

The MDT meeting

The team of specialists meet every Monday to discuss the diagnosis and treatment plan of individual people. They make sure each person is given the same high standard of care and has the most appropriate investigations and treatment.

What happens after the meeting?

After your case has been discussed in the meeting, the recommendations are recorded on the electronic patient records system (EPR) or in your patient notes.

It is likely that an appointment will be made with your consultant and/or specialist nurse to discuss the outcome with you or you may be offered an appointment to have further investigations. You may bring a friend or relative with you to any of these appointments. In some cases we may need to refer you to another specialist team and the reason for this will be discussed with you.

Communication with you and your GP

Your GP will be informed within 24 hours of you being given your diagnosis and will be copied into any correspondence about your diagnosis, treatment and care.

You will also receive a copy of any correspondence. If you do not understand anything in the letters you receive, please bring them with you to your next appointment and we will be happy to discuss them with you. If you do not wish to receive any correspondence, please speak to your consultant or Specialist Nurse.

Ward rounds

You are very welcome to have a relative or friend with you when you are seen by the doctors on the ward. The ward nurses can let you know when this is most likely to be.

A member of the medical team will see you each day, from Monday to Friday. You will also be seen on those days by a Specialist Nurse, to discuss any questions or concerns you may have.

Out of hours advice

If you are having treatment or have recently had an operation and have an urgent problem related to your condition outside of hours, please contact the last ward you were treated on.

If you are receiving chemotherapy, please use the emergency contact number you have been given or dial 111 (free) to seek advice.

Support groups and information

Maggie's Centre, Churchill Hospital

Drop in centre for a chat and cup of tea. Clinical psychologists are available for patients and their families.

General/support enquires: 01856 751 882

Benefits advice: 01865 227 083

Email: oxford@maggiescentres.org

Website: www.maggiescentres.org

Opening hours: Monday to Friday, 9.00am to 5.00pm

Macmillan Cancer Support

Macmillan is available to give advice on areas such as support groups and benefits.

Tel: 0808 808 0000 (freephone) Monday to Friday, 9.00am to 8.00pm

Website: www.macmillan.org.uk

Oxford Sarcoma Patient Support Group

Contact your Specialist Nurse by telephone or email for information.

If you need an interpreter or would like this information leaflet in another format, such as Easy Read, large print, Braille, audio, electronically or another language, please speak to the department where you are being seen. You will find their contact details on your appointment letter.

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