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**Royal Manchester Children’s Hospital**

**Information for Patients**

**Paediatric and Young People Rheumatology Service**

Our Rheumatology service here at Manchester Children’s Hospital is made up of consultants, specialist nurses, physiotherapists, occupational therapists, clinical psychologist, pharmacist, and secretaries who all work together to help provide the best Rheumatology care and management.

**The Conditions We Look After**

* Juvenile Idiopathic Arthritis
* Juvenile-onset Systemic Lupus Erythematosus
* Juvenile Dermatomyositis
* Childhood Scleroderma
* Systemic Vasculitis
* Chronic Musculoskeletal regional pain syndromes as well as a wide range of other inflammatory conditions
* Mechanical disorders affecting the musculoskeletal system
* Reflex Sympathetic Dystrophy
* Periodic Fever Syndrome
* Hypermobility

**The Consultants**Dr. P Riley

Dr. A Chieng

Dr. J McDonagh

Dr. E Willis

Dr. G Varnier

Dr. C Sundaramoorthy

**The Ophthalmology Consultants**Dr. J Ashworth

Dr. L Steeples  
  
**The Rheumatology Nurse Specialists**Marie Morrisroe

Jasper Street

Rachael Derbyshire

Danielle Nicholson

Janine Payne – Uveitis Nurse Specialist

**Extended scope Physiotherapist**

Verna Cuthbert

**Highly Specialist Physiotherapist**

Vicky Leeson

Funmi Claudius – Cole

**Specialist Physiotherapist**

Sharon O’ Riordan

**Highly Specialist Occupational Therapy**

Jennifer Nisbet

Margaret Wheeler

**Senior Psychological Therapist**

Tessa Hutton

**Psychological therapist**

Hannah Ronksley

**Secretaries/ Sec. Support**

Linda Moore

Gaynor Haynes

Emily Rennie

Debbie Noble

Rebecca Treen

**Who do I contact if I have a problem or concern?**

For general inquiries, such as appointments and referrals etc please phone the Rheumatology secretaries on 0161 701 0672

For Paediatric Rheumatology nurse inquiries, such as medication issues, flare ups etc then please call 0161 701 0618

Alternatively, you can email the nursing team on paedrhuem@mft.nhs.uk

We usually reply to these phone calls and emails within 48 hours, Monday to Friday 08:00 hr – 16:00 hr

For Psychological Therapy inquiries please email the team [Paediatric.psychosocial@mft.nhs.uk](mailto:Paediatric.psychosocial@mft.nhs.uk)

For Paediatric Occupational Therapy/ Physiotherapy inquiries such as exercise plans, school/ activity support and therapy appointments please call the Therapy and Dietetic Department on

0161 701 2640

For any urgent queries, and out of hours please contact GP, NHS 111 or A and E as required.

If your child is coming to see us in Clinic, we recommend that they either wear trousers that you roll over your knees, or shorts. We will also be asking the child/ young person to remove their shoes and socks for us to fully assess the joints.

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