



**Saint Mary's Managed Clinical Service**  
**Division of Gynaecology**

**PATIENT INFORMATION LEAFLET**

**INTRODUCTION TO THE GYNAECOLOGY ONCOLOGY MULTI-DISCIPLINARY TEAM (MDT) AND THE MACMILLAN GYNAECOLOGY SERVICE**

**GYNAECOLOGY NURSE SPECIALIST?**

This is a Macmillan Nurse who specialises in the care of individuals with gynaecological cancers and their families. They may also be known as your **Key Worker**.

Our role is to offer emotional support, clinical information and practical advice from the time of diagnosis, throughout the course of treatment and afterwards.

The Macmillan Gynaecology Nurse Specialist is a member of the multi-disciplinary team who works both on the wards and in the out-patient department.

**WHAT IS A MULTI-DISCIPLINARY TEAM (MDT)?**

The members of the gynaecology MDT are experts at treating and managing gynaecological cancers. They are involved with your investigations, diagnosis and treatment options. These specialists understand how cancers present, what they look like, how they behave, how to investigate for cancer and how it may affect your life. All these people play a significant part in supporting you and your family during and after treatment.

**WHY DOES THE MDT MEET?**

The purpose of the MDT is to plan treatment for individuals with gynaecological cancers. They meet weekly and each patient's case history, scans and laboratory results are reviewed and discussed by the different specialists. An individual treatment plan is then recommended for each patient. The benefit of the MDT is that all specialists are together, the different treatment options are discussed, and a joint decision is made.

**WHO ARE THE MEMBERS OF THE MDT?**

The members are experts from Saint Mary's Hospital and other hospitals within the North East Sector of the Greater Manchester Cancer Network. They include:

- **Gynaecology Oncology Surgeons:** a surgeon who has specialised skills knowledge & expertise in treating cancer of the female reproductive organs.

- **Medical Oncologists:** doctors who specialise in the treatment of cancer with medications, this includes chemotherapy (anticancer drugs) for individuals with cancers of the female reproductive organs.
- **Clinical Oncologists:** doctors who specialise in the treatment of cancer with radiotherapy treatments (high energy X-rays), they can also prescribe chemotherapy (anti-cancer drugs) for individuals with cancers of the female reproductive organs.
- **Radiologists:** doctors who specialise in using X-ray and other imaging scans to diagnose and manage the disease.
- **Histopathologist:** a specialist doctor who examines body tissues and organs under the microscope to aid diagnosis.
- **Macmillan Gynaecology Nurse Specialists:** act as a point of contact for you and your family throughout your treatment.
- **Advanced Clinical Practitioner:** a clinical practitioner who has expertise in cancers of the female reproductive organs and organises investigations and clinical assessment for consideration of treatment.

In addition, other nurse specialists, other doctors, health professionals and the MDT co-ordinator, who ensures the meetings are run efficiently, may attend the MDT meeting.

While you are being treated at Saint Mary's Hospital, you will be under the care of one of the following consultants

#### **Saint Mary's Hospital Gynaecology Oncology Surgeons:**

- Prof R J Edmondson
- Dr R Clayton
- Miss C Holland
- Dr M Mackintosh
- Dr S Kitson
- Prof E Crosbie (Research Expert)

#### **Advanced Clinical Practitioner;**

Aim to organise investigations & treatments ASAP & provide clinical advice & follow up clinics:

- Karen Donnelly
- Eva Crasta

## **THE CHRISTIE HOSPITAL**

If you are diagnosed with cancer, then you may require Chemotherapy and/or Radiotherapy. This treatment takes place at the Christie Hospital, and you will be under the care of one of the following Clinical/ Medical Oncologists.

#### **Consultant Clinical Oncologists:**



- Dr L Barraclough
- Dr K Haslett
- Dr M Burke
- S Morrison

• **Nurse Clinician:**

- Karen Johnson

**Clinical Nurse Specialist/Trainee ANP:**

- Helen Savage  
Tel: (0161) 446 3565

**Clinical Nurse Specialist:**

- Hayley Smale
- Amelia Ward  
Tel: (0161) 956 1106

**Cancer Care Coordinator:**

- Jackie Bunney  
Tel: (0161) 956 1106

**Consultant Medical Oncologists:**

- Prof G Jayson
- Dr A Clamp
- Dr C Mitchell

**Nurse Clinician:**

- Thant Tun

**Clinical Nurse Specialists:**

- Viv Mealing, Lisa Ashworth  
Tel: (0161) 446 8517

## YOU COME FIRST:

Throughout your care, we will agree treatment options with you on an individual basis; you will be given verbal and written information to support this. This will decide which Team members will be involved in your care.

**Their contact details are:**



Name of your consultant: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of your key worker: \_\_\_\_\_

If you or any member of your family would like further information about your condition or your treatment at St Mary's Hospital/ Wythenshawe Hospital/ North Manchester Hospital, or if you have any concerns or need further support, you can contact the Macmillan Gynaecology Nurses on: (0161) 276 6394 (9.00 am to 5.00 pm, Monday-Friday). Please note we do not work Bank Holidays.

If no-one is in the office, please leave your name, contact number and a short message and your call will be returned as soon as possible.

There are several Macmillan Gynaecology Nurse Specialists in the team at Saint Mary's Hospital. If your designated Nurse Specialist/ Key Worker is not on duty, another Nurse Specialist from the team will support you until your Key Worker returns.

Your contact for local support before and after treatment at Saint Mary's Hospital is:

Pennine CNS Team  
(0161) 778 5670 ☐

Tameside CNS Team  
(0161) 922 6961 ☐

Gynaecology Nurse Specialists who work at Saint Mary's Hospital include:

- Jo Wilson
- Jennie Morgan
- Emma Allcock
- Ali Tawakol
- Rosina Khan
- Jenny Pearce
- Emma Garth
- Emma Helm
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**Macmillan Cancer Care Coordinator:**

- Kas Ibrahim

Same as CNS's (0161) 276 6394



## **Gynaecology Cancer Care Navigator:**

- Angela Singh-Raudh

(0161) 701 4495