Macmillan Information Centres

Additional information about cancer and treatment can be provided by our staff in the Macmillan Information Centres located at each hospital site. You can visit them and talk face to face, or they will be happy to talk to you on the telephone and to send information to you.

Their contact details are:

Lincoln Hospital, Main Outpatients Entrance Telephone 01522 573799 Monday to Thursday 8.00am to 4.00pm answerphone available Website: macmillan.infosupport@ulh.nhs.uk

Grantham Hospital, Outpatients Department Telephone 01476 464978 Tuesday to Thursday 08.30am to 4.30pm answerphone available Website: macmillan.infosupport@ulh.nhs.uk

Macmillan Support Line and Website

Macmillan Cancer Support also have a support line and website for clinical, financial, practical and emotional support to anyone affected by cancer.

Freephone 0808 808 00 00 Monday to Friday 9.00am to 8.00pm Website: macmillan.org.uk

The Trust endeavours to ensure that the information given here is accurate and impartial.

If you require this information in another language, large print, audio (CD or tape) or braille please email the Patient Information team at <u>patient.information@ulh.nhs.uk</u>

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Upper Gastrointestinal Multi-Disciplinary Team

Lincoln County Hospital

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You have been referred to hospital for assessment of upper gastrointestinal symptoms.

Your consultant is one of a team of professionals involved in diagnosing and treating patients with a suspicion or a confirmed diagnosis of cancer of the upper gastrointestinal tract.

This includes cancer of the oesophagus, stomach, pancreas, gall bladder, biliary ducts and liver.

This leaflet is written to provide you with information about the Multidisciplinary team and the Clinical Nurse Specialist in the upper gastrointestinal team.

Multidisciplinary Team (MDT)

Following your diagnosis there may be further tests to establish more information about your illness.

Once these tests are done a plan of treatment will be made.

The results of your tests and investigations will be discussed at a multidisciplinary team meeting (MDT). These are held on Monday afternoons. Medical experts from radiology, surgery, pathology, oncology and your specialist nurse will meet to discuss your particular case and the best plan for you. You will then have an appointment with a hospital doctor to discuss the plan.

Clinical Nurse Specialist

The upper gastrointestinal team have 2 part-time clinical nurse specialists - Caroline Marshall and Tracey Wilson.

Their role is to support all patients and their families with a suspected or confirmed diagnosis of an upper gastrointestinal cancer.

They can help by offering advice, information and support to patients and their families.

In particular:

- Telephone or face to face contact and support for patients and their families.
- Information about diagnosis and treatment options.
- Information about other local and national support.
- A link between the hospital and community services.

With your agreement, Caroline and Tracey will share the role of being your **key worker**. They will work with the rest of the upper gastrointestinal team to help co-ordinate your care treatments and to provide you with all the information you may want about your illness.

Contact details : telephone 01522 572351 Email caroline.marshall@ulh.nhs.uk tracey.wilson3@ulh.nhs.uk

To make sure that your emails are seen promptly please send all emails to both Caroline and Tracey.

This service is usually available Monday to Friday 08.30am to 4.00pm approximately.