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Gynaecology Services Support services for women with gynaecological cancer

Information for patients

What is gynaecology?

Gynaecology is the study of the female reproductive system. This involves the womb (uterus), ovaries, cervix, vulva and vagina. The causes of cancer are mostly unknown.

What is the gynaecology multi disciplinary team (MDT)?

This is a team of professionals including clinical nurse specialists, doctors, radiologists (who perform x rays or other tests and treatment using radiation), oncologists (who deal with the prevention, diagnosis and treatment of cancer) and histopathologists (who examine body tissue samples). They work alongside each other to ensure all your care is planned and put into place by a specialist team.

Clinical nurse specialists (CNS)

Your gynaecological clinical nurse specialists are **Suzanne Goralik** and **Sarah Halsall**. As your key workers, Suzanne and Sarah will make sure your care and treatment is organised in a timely manner. They will also ensure that support and information is available for you and your family at all stages of your cancer journey. **Alison Wright** is the Gynaecology Cancer Care Coordinator.

Contact details 01623 622515, extension 3073

Suzanne:

- Week 1 Mondays and Tuesdays.
- Week 2 Thursdays and Fridays.

Sarah:

- Week 1 Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays.
- Week 2 Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays.

You may also be referred to district nurses and specialist palliative care nurses, who will support you to cope with your illness and with symptom control. They will also help with ongoing care in the community and provide emotional support and counselling should you or your family need it.

Other members of the multi disciplinary team:

- Lead Cancer Clinician (Gynaecology Consultant) – Mr W Dudill
- Gynaecology Consultants – Mr S Vindla / Miss S J Ward / Ms N Das
- Histopathologist – Dr H Adnan
- Radiologist – Dr S Geary / Dr A Patel
- Oncology Consultant (Nottingham City Hospital) – Dr S Sundar / Dr S Hosni
- Gynaecology Consultant (Nottingham City Hospital) – Mr K Gajar / Mr D Nunns / Miss K Williamson.

Where will I be seen by the team?

You may be seen in clinics at King's Mill Hospital or Nottingham City Hospital.

At King's Mill Hospital the gynaecology clinic is held in Clinic 12 and the oncology clinic in Clinic 15.

At Nottingham City Hospital the gynaecology clinic can be held in a number of areas. You will be instructed as to which one you need to attend with your appointment date.

Chemotherapy clinic

Your chemotherapy may be given at King's Mill Hospital or Nottingham City Hospital, depending on the chemotherapy prescribed. You will be introduced to a chemotherapy nurse who will give in depth information, advice and support throughout your treatment.

The chemotherapy nurses at King's Mill Hospital are based in the Welcome Treatment Centre, telephone 01623 622515, extension 3061 or 3872.

If your chemotherapy is to be given at Nottingham City Hospital you will be given contact details.

Radiotherapy department

Radiotherapy is given at Nottingham City Hospital. You will be given all the support and information you need by staff in the department.

Wards

If you need to be admitted to hospital as an inpatient, you will most likely be nursed on the gynaecology ward at King's Mill Hospital, which is Ward 14. The contact number is **01623 622515, extension 2314**.

With certain conditions you may have surgery at Nottingham City Hospital. The ward you may be on there is Loxley. The telephone number for Nottingham City Hospital is **0115 9691169, extension 55158**.

Contact telephone numbers:

- **Oncology Day Case, King's Mill Hospital:** 01623 622515 ext 3061
Nottingham City Hospital: 0115 969 1169 ext 76533
- **Radiotherapy North (Nottingham City Hospital):**
0115 969 1169 ext 76193
- **Radiotherapy South (Nottingham City Hospital):**
0115 969 1169 ext 56995
- **Rapid response:** 0115 962 8066.

Further sources of information

NHS Choices: www.nhs.uk/conditions

Our website: www.sfh-tr.nhs.uk

Patient Experience Team (PET)

PET is available to help with any of your compliments, concerns or complaints, and will ensure a prompt and efficient service.

King's Mill Hospital: 01623 672222

Newark Hospital: 01636 685692

Email: sfh-tr.PET@nhs.net

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