The Robert Jones and Agnes Hunt **NHS** Orthopaedic Hospital NHS Foundation Trust

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## **Information for patients** Sarcoma Specialist - Key Workers



Hospital Stop Smoking Service For advice and information on quitting smoking, or for an informal chat, please contact the Hospital Stop Smoking Sister on: 01691 404114

Further Information Please contact the tumour unit with any questions or if you are concerned on 01691 404107. If there is no one to take your call please leave your name and number on the answer machine.



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# Musculoskeletal Tumour Service

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#### **Key Workers**

The key workers at the Robert Jones and Agnes Hunt Hospital are Specialist Nurses. Our role is to provide a comprehensive support service for patients with cancer, their families and/or carers.

We work extremely closely with the Orthopaedic Oncological Surgeons and liaise with them on a daily basis. We also have close links with other Health Care Providers both within the hospital and in the community.

We act as a point of contact for patients, carers and all members of the multi-disciplinary team.

We can provide emotional support from diagnosis through treatment and beyond ensuring continuity of care.

#### The Multidisciplinary Team

Our multidisciplinary team consists of members from the Manchester Royal Infirmary and Christies Hospital. Collectively we are known as the Greater Manchester and Oswestry Sarcoma Service (GMOSS).

The team consists of surgeons, radiologists, pathologists, nurses, physiotherapists and other health care professionals. Each patient who has a suspected or confirmed sarcoma is discussed at this meeting. The most appropriate treatment plan for the individual is agreed and then discussed with the patient.

#### What can your key worker offer

- · Information and advice about your condition
- Time to discuss any problems or issues you have
- Discuss treatment options
- Help with physical and practical problems
- Psychological support
- · Information for relatives carers and friends
- A point of contact should problems arise
- A link to other health care professionals in hospital and in the community

#### How to contact your key worker

You should have been given a card with our contact details. If you did not receive one our direct line is: **01691 404107** Voicemail is available and calls are picked up throughout the day. All calls will be returned as soon as possible but please remember to leave a contact phone number.

#### Other useful Information

Macmillan Cancer Support 020 7840 7840 General Enquiries www.macmillan.org.uk

Sarcoma UK info@sarcoma-uk.org

Teenagers with Sarcoma www.teenagecancertrust.org

Support Groups www.mailtalk.ac.uk The Department for Work & Pensions www.dwp.gov.uk/ tel: 0800 882200 text phone service: 0800 243355

Information Prescription Service www.nhs.uk/ipg

Bone Cancer Research Trust www.bonecancerresearch.org.uk