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## Patient information

# The role of the multidisciplinary team Gynaecological Cancer Centre

Information for patients referred to St Bartholomew's or the Royal London Hospital for investigation and treatment at Barts Gynaecological Cancer Centre.

You have been referred to the Gynaecological Cancer Centre at St Bartholomew's Hospital (SBH) and the Royal London Hospital (RLH). This leaflet describes the role of the Gynaecological cancer Multidisciplinary Team (MDT) who will be looking after you. It also gives a list of the different healthcare professionals who may be involved in your care, including their titles and contact numbers.



## What is a multidisciplinary team?

The team consists of doctors, nurses and other health professionals who all have specialist training and experience in diagnosing and caring for women with gynaecological cancer. The team are here to provide all the information, advice, support and treatment whilst you are under the care of Bart's Health. Each health professional has a different role, and the members of the team looking after you will depend on the type of cancer you have and your individual needs.

## How do we work?

Each week, the multidisciplinary team (MDT) meet to discuss all patients who have been referred for review from other hospitals in north and east London and occasionally other units from further afield. The MDT co-ordinator gathers all relevant X-rays and scans along with pathology results from biopsies and blood tests. These results are presented to the team, together with relevant information about your current health and preferences. The team will discuss your case and make recommendations for your individual treatment options, which will be discussed with you when you attend the clinic.

## What happens at your first appointment?

At your first clinic appointment, you will be seen by a doctor who specialises in gynaecological cancer or suspected gynaecological cancer - either a surgeon, a medical oncologist (specialist in chemotherapy) or a clinical oncologist (specialist in radiotherapy/chemotherapy). He or she will discuss with you the results of any investigations and the management recommended at the multidisciplinary team meeting.

At your consultation you will have an opportunity to talk through your concerns and ask any questions. You will be offered written information to take home, as well as the contact details of those people involved in your care. We may book an advocate at your first appointment if English is not your first language. If you feel that you do not need or want an advocate please do let us know.

## Clinical investigations and tests

MRI scan (magnetic resonance imaging)	020 346 40137 or 55305
CT scan (computerised tomography)	020 346 40138 or 55305
PET CT scan	020 346 55885
Ultrasound scan	020 346 40139 or 55305
Nuclear medicine (EDTA kidney test)	020 346 55900
ECG/ECHO (SBH)	020 346 55855
ECG/ECHO (RLH)	020 359 42000

## Travelling to our Hospitals

We encourage the use of public transport where possible as there is no allocated hospital parking. However, private taxi's and cars may pick up/drop off patients or park in metered bays nearby.

At St Bartholomew's Hospital the pick-up/drop off point is on Giltspur Street or West Smithfield. Porters and wheelchairs can be requested via security or via reception at King George 5<sup>th</sup> building. There is metered parking outside the entrance and an NCP underground car park at West Smithfield. If you have a blue badge you need to park in the disabled bays and not on a yellow line. St Bartholomew's Hospital is in the congestion zone. Certain patients may be able to get refunds

At the Royal London Hospital the drop off/pick up point is at Stepney Way, where wheelchairs and porters are available. Metered car parking is available just outside the main entrance and on Turner Street, Ashfield Street, Varden Street and Cavell Street. Disabled bays are accessed via Raven Row.

If you feel that you or your family member is too unwell, or unfit to use public transport and/or unable to get into a car or taxi safely, please contact Patient Transport on **0333 240 4096** to make a self-booking prior to visiting us.

## Wards, day units and outpatients

Throughout your care at St Bartholomew's or the Royal London Hospitals, you will meet experienced nurses and other health professionals. The senior sisters and senior cancer nurses are responsible for ensuring that a high quality of care is delivered. If you do have any concerns please ask to speak to the senior sister, senior cancer nurse or your clinical nurse specialist.

Gynaecology Outpatients (RLH)	020 359 41585
ACAD - short stay surgery (RLH)	020 359 41236
Ward 8C – inpatient gynaecology ward (RLH)	020 594 41561
West Wing Outpatients (SBH)	020 346 56644
Ward 5B – Rahere Ward (SBH)	020 346 55552 or 56551
Percival Pott Ward (SBH)	020 346 56511 020 346 55513
7A Day Unit – Paget (SBH)	020 346 56786 020 346 56658
Radiotherapy Department (SBH)	020 346 55222

## The Vicky Clement-Jones Macmillan Cancer Information Centre

Ground floor, West Wing, St Bartholomew's Hospital

The centre offers information and support to anyone affected by cancer. It is open Mon-Fri 10am-4.30pm (except bank holidays). The centre telephone number is 020 346 56611

We are also able to use a telephone interpreter thereafter as needed.

You may meet a Clinical Nurse Specialist (CNS) at this time who is able to provide additional information, advice and support. She will also usually be your named key worker at St Bartholomew's and the Royal London Hospitals. A key worker is a healthcare professional who is your point of contact for information and support throughout the duration of your care. You may already know a Specialist Nurse at your local referring Hospital, and you are welcome to remain in contact with them. Most women referred from Queens Hospital for surgery return to Queens for further follow up and care.

### Your St Bartholomew's/Royal London key worker is:

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We are a teaching and research hospital and occasionally there are medical and nursing students present in patient consultations. The students will only be present at examinations with your agreement. You may also be asked to consider participation in research studies, but this is voluntary and your care is not affected if you do not wish to take part.

### How long will I have to wait?

All suspected cancers at the Barts Cancer Centre are actively tracked until treatment has completed, from the original date of GP or local hospital referral. There is an NHS London requirement to ensure that all suspected cancers are diagnosed and treated within an acceptable time frame. We therefore aim to start treatment either within 62 days from your original GP referral or within 31 days from the day you agreed to your final treatment plan at St Bartholomew's/Royal London Hospitals. This can be a worrying time, if you feel that you need support or further information about the NHS cancer waiting time's pathway, please talk to your doctor or nurse.

## The Multidisciplinary Team

### Surgeons

Specialists in the diagnosis and surgical treatment of gynaecological cancers

Ms Elly Brockbank	(secretary)	020 359 42053 or 42754
Mr Arjun Jeyarajah (Lead)	(secretary)	020 359 42053 or 42754
Ms Alex Lawrence	(secretary)	020 359 42053 or 42754
Mr Ranjit Manchanda	(secretary)	020 359 42053 or 42754
Mr David Oram	(secretary)	020 359 42053 or 42754

### Medical oncology doctors

Specialists in chemotherapy treatment for gynaecological cancer

Dr Michelle Lockley	(secretary)	020 346 56049
Dr Melanie Powell	(secretary)	020 346 55123

### Clinical oncology doctors

Specialist in radiotherapy treatment for gynaecological cancer.

Dr Melanie Powell	(secretary)	020346 55123
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### Multidisciplinary Team Co-ordinator

The Multidisciplinary Team Co-ordinator is responsible for co-ordinating information for the multidisciplinary team meetings and ensuring that a new patient details are correct.

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### Appointments

Cancer centre appointments	020 776 73222 or 020 776 73333
Central appointments	020 776 73200

## Clinical Nurse Specialists (CNS)

Clinical nurse specialists in gynaecological cancer provide expert information, advice and support for women diagnosed with gynaecological cancer and their families. You may have already met a clinical nurse specialist at your local hospital. She will refer you to the St Bartholomew's-based clinical nurse specialist team for support while you are receiving care at St Bartholomew's or the Royal London Hospital. The CNS team work Monday to Friday 9-5pm. If you need support after 5pm or on the weekend please call the relevant numbers on '*what to do when you are unwell*' section. Macmillan also has an information and support helpline on 0808 808 00 00 (9am-8pm Monday to Friday).

Answer phone for messages	020 346 55281
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Guida Kurzer	(mobile) 07833 237328
Philippa Lloyd	(mobile) 07833 237327
Maya Miah	(mobile) 07908 838364
Alison Thompson	(mobile) 07833 237323

## What to do when you are unwell

If you are unwell and on chemotherapy, please call the 24 hour oncology hotline: 07917 093738

If you are having radiotherapy, please call the radiotherapy nurses via radiotherapy reception on 020 346 55222. After hours, please use the 24 hour oncology hotline number above.

If you are not on the treatments above, but feel unwell and need advice, you may call the ward where you were recently discharged, your GP or your CNS. After hours please use your GP 'out of hours' service or attend your emergency department/walk in centre.

If you have breathing difficulties, chest pain, confusion or you feel it is an emergency, you or anyone with you should call an ambulance immediately by dialling 999.