Hospital Specialist Palliative Care Team

For patients in Huddersfield Royal Infirmary and Calderdale Royal Hospital, Telephone number: 01484 342965

Palliative Care

Palliative Care is a holistic approach that aims to improve quality of life and reduce suffering when a patient's illness can no longer be cured or helped by usual treatments.

The Hospital Specialist Palliative Care Team is a small group of professionals that become involved with inpatient care when the patient's needs cannot be fully met by the treating team.

They support the treating team with the management of complex symptoms and/or psychological needs as well as complex decision-making and discharge planning.

Once a referral has been received, a member of the team will triage and offer initial advice. This is usually followed by a face-to-face assessment if the patient consents and if deemed clinically appropriate. If it is not clinically appropriate for our involvement then we will signpost the team to the most appropriate source of support.

Who is in the Specialist Palliative Care Team in CHFT?

The Specialist Palliative Care Team is a multi-disciplinary team consisting of Consultants in Palliative Medicine, Palliative Clinical Nurse Specialists, Palliative Care Co-ordinators and Medical Secretaries.

What kind of things does the team do?

- We offer help and advice for difficult symptoms in advanced disease.
- We offer emotional/psychological support and advice for patients nearing the end of life and their families.
- We give advice about some benefits including help obtaining grants and other social support.
- We help to provide a link between hospital and home.
- We will arrange hospice admission when this is appropriate.

What will happen after the team has seen me?

A member of the team will have seen you on the hospital ward. We will assess your needs and agree a plan of care for how best to help. We will review you and these care plans while you are in hospital. Sometimes we only need to see a patient once, but for others we may see them several times during a hospital stay. When you leave hospital we will advise the team looking after you on involving other doctors and nurses. We may also ask our specialist palliative care colleagues in community to see you when you are at home. You may need us in the future so we will leave our contact numbers with you.

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How do I contact the team?

We are available Monday to Friday 9am to 5pm (except public holidays). Tel: 01484 342965
Messages can be left on the answerphone outside of these times or during the day if staff are out of the office.

Contact numbers for palliative care patients

Hospital Specialist Palliative Care Team (SPCT)	01484 342965
Community SPCT (Calderdale)	01422 310874
Community SPCT (Kirklees)	01484 557906
District Nurses (Kirklees single point of contact)	0300 304 5555
Out of Hours District Nurses (Calderdale)	07917 106263
Kirkwood Hospice (for Kirklees GP residents)	01484 557900
Overgate Hospice (for Calderdale GP residents)	01422 379151
Gateway to Care: Kirklees residents	01484 414933
Gateway to Care: Calderdale residents	0845 111 1103

Electronic health records

The Specialist Palliative Care Team uses a secure computerised records system, which allows doctors, nurses and other clinical staff to share information in your record, so that you receive the best care.
We will ask you if agree to make your record shareable with other staff whose care you are under; this will include your GP, community nurse, or other professionals such as hospice staff.
More information is available on: **www.nhscarerecords.nhs.uk/carerecords**

If you have any comments about this leaflet or the service you have received you can contact :

Palliative Care Team
Huddersfield Royal Infirmary

Telephone No: (01484) 342965

www.cht.nhs.uk

If you would like this information in another format or language contact the above.

Potřebujete-li tyto informace v jiném formátu nebo jazyce, obraťte se prosím na výše uvedené oddělení

Jeżeli są Państwo zainteresowani otrzymaniem tych informacji w innym formacie lub wersji językowej, prosimy skontaktować się z nami, korzystając z ww. danych kontaktowych

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برائے مہربانی مندرجہ بالا شعبے میں ہم سے رابطہ کریں۔

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