

What will happen after your operation and at the Gynaecology/Oncology Clinic

You will be offered an appointment to attend the Gynaecology/Oncology Clinic. This may be following investigations or after your operation which confirms a diagnosis of cancer.

Waiting for the results from your operation may take some time, usually 10-14 days to become available. Once we have the results of your operation, which are called the histology results, Mr Renninson/Dr Edey/Mr Hannemann or a member of their team will discuss these with you. Understandably, waiting for the results is an anxious time for you and your family. A diagnosis of cancer is life changing and you may experience a range of emotions. You may have many questions you want to ask.

The team are here to help and support you. They will be available to provide you with as much information as you require. Core members of the team are:

- **Mr John Renninson** - *Consultant Gynaecology/Oncology Surgeon*
- **Dr Katharine Edey** - *Consultant Gynaecology/Oncology Surgeon*
- **Mr Michael Hannemann** - *Consultant Gynaecology/Oncology Surgeon*
- **Gail Webb** - *Gynaecology/Oncology Advanced Nurse Specialist*
- **Jacky Stewart** - *Gynaecology/Oncology Specialist Nurse*
- **Dr Jenny Forrest** - *Consultant Clinical Oncologist*

- **Dr Peter Bliss** - *Consultant Clinical Oncologist*
- **Dr Kate Scatchard** - *Consultant Medical Oncologist*
- Doctors and nurses caring for you on the ward and in clinic.

When you are ready to be discharged home, you will be given a copy of a letter for your GP which will provide him/her with a summary of any investigations carried out and, if you have had surgery, your operation details. An appointment will be arranged for you to attend the Gynaecology/Oncology Clinic. This appointment may be arranged before you leave the ward or it will be posted to you.

At your clinic appointment you will see one of the doctors who specialise in cancer treatments. During your appointment you will have the opportunity to discuss the results of your operation and any further treatment that may be recommended. Treatment may be with radiotherapy, chemotherapy or both. An appointment at the Oncology Clinic does not necessarily mean you will require any of these treatments, even though the name of one of the Oncologists will appear on the appointment letter.

We would encourage you to bring a relative or friend with you to your appointment.

Further follow-up

You will continue to be followed up regularly at the Oncology Clinic. You will be offered an appointment at the Oncology Clinic at regular intervals.

Your Clinical Nurse Specialist, key worker may be present. Please feel that you can ask them anything you may wish to know. They will be helpful and will provide you with information.

Please feel free to telephone any of the following contact numbers if you have any questions or concerns.

Contact Numbers / Support and Information Services

- **Gail Webb**
Advanced Nurse Specialist - Gynaecology/Oncology
Royal Devon & Exeter Hospital (Wonford)
Centre for Women's Health
Clinic 2, Barrack Road
Exeter EX2 5DW
Tel: 01392 406552 or mobile 07920 213043
- **Jacky Stewart**
Gynaecology/Oncology Specialist Nurse
Royal Devon & Exeter Hospital (Wonford)
Centre for Women's Health
Clinic 2, Barrack Road
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Tel: 01392 406552

Provides support, specialist and financial advice for people with cancer and their families

- **Macmillan Cancer Support**
89 Albert Embankment
London SE1 7UQ
Freephone: 0808 808 0000
www.macmillan.org.uk
- **Cancer Research UK**
Angel Building
407 St. Johns Street
London EC1V 4AD
Specialist nurses: 0808 800 4040
www.cruk.org

National support groups for all those concerned with ovarian cancer

- **Ovacome**
52-54 Featherstone Street
London
EC1Y 8RT
Freephone support line: 0800 008 7054
e-mail: ovacome@ovacome.org.uk
- **Target Ovarian Cancer**
2 Angel Gate
London, EC1V 2PT
Tel: 020 7923 5470
www.targetovariancancer.org.uk

Information and counselling on cervical cancer

- **Jo's Cervical Cancer Trust**
CAN Mezzanine
49-51 East Road
London
N1 6AH
Helpline: 0808 802 8000
Tel: 020 7936 7498
e-mail: info@jostrust.org.uk

FORCE Cancer Support Centre

Offers support for local people living with cancer

- **FORCE Cancer Charity**
Corner House
Barrack Road
Exeter EX2 5DW
Tel: 01392 406151
www.forcecancercharity.co.uk
e-mail: support@forcecancercharity.co.uk
- **Local Gynaecology/Cancer Support Group**
Meets at Force centre bi-monthly on a Thursday 10.30-12.00. Contact Gail Webb/ Jacky Stewart **on 01392 406552** for more details, or Vick Jay Womens Health Counsellor **01392 406678**.

■ **General Gynaecology Cancer Fund**

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The Eve Appeal

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www.eveappeal.org.uk

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