



Information for
patients and
carers

Neuro Oncology MDT

What Happens Next

Multi-Disciplinary Team Meetings (MDT)

At Lancashire teaching Hospitals the treatment and care of patients diagnosed with a brain tumour are discussed and treatment recommendations are made at Neuro-oncology Multi-disciplinary Team meetings - also known as MDTs.

What is a Multi-Disciplinary Team Meeting

A multidisciplinary team meeting (MDT) is a group of healthcare professionals with expertise in a specific field who together discuss an individual patient's care. The Neuro Oncology MDT team is responsible for confirming a brain tumour diagnosis, recommending a treatment plan and developing the individual treatment pathways for patients. The MDT approach ensures effective evidence-based collaboration between our Specialists.

Our Neuro-oncology MDT meetings are well established and well attended. It is a great forum for knowledge sharing between the attendees. Cases are added for discussion by the patient's Consultant or Nurse Specialist and patient records and diagnostic results are organised in preparation for discussion by our Neuro-oncology MDT coordinators. The team members then share and discuss their opinions, in order to formulate a treatment recommendation tailored to the needs of each patient. The team will consider a number of things, including:

- The type and size of the brain tumour and whether it has spread
- Your general health
- National treatment guidelines for your type of brain tumour

MDT Recommendation

After the MDT meeting the patient's Consultant will receive a copy of the MDT recommendation agreed at the MDT meeting and a copy will be added to the patient's Medical Record. The final decision about each patient's treatment plan is made in consultation between the patient and the Consultant.

Our Neuro-Oncology MDT team

The Chair of a Neuro-oncology MDT meeting is an appropriately qualified Consultant with acknowledged expertise in the appropriate speciality for the particular patient. The Core Team includes Consultant Surgeons, MDT Coordinator, Medical Oncologists, Histopathologists, Specialist Nurses, Clinical Oncologists, Radiologists and any other Specialists who deliver direct patient care linked to the speciality.

The Extended Team includes further Consultants involved in the specific tumour area as well as Nurses, Dieticians, Pharmacists, Physiotherapists, Neuro Psychologists, Radiotherapists and any other appropriate member of staff linked to the speciality.

The Neuro-oncology MDT meeting is held at 11.00am every Wednesday.

What's next?

Following the MDT consultation patients will be contacted by the neuro oncology nurse specialist to discuss the MDT recommendation and/or arrange a consultation in our neuro oncology clinic.

Patient appointments are timed to make sure test and scan results are available and the MDT meeting has taken place. This is so the consultant can have the right information to discuss at the clinic.

The Neuro -Oncology Clinic

Patients requiring a neuro-oncology consultation will arrive at the main entrance of Royal Preston Hospital. Once checked in at main reception patients will be directed to the Garstang Suite.

Patients may speak to a number of the different members of the team at their visit.

This can be a long day for the patients as the team may require you to speak with our consultants, nurses and occupational therapists.

Following your meeting with the Neuro oncology team, you may be required to have further diagnostic imaging.

Contact details

Should you require further advice or information please contact Neuro-Oncology Clinical Nurse Specialist team:

Telephone: 01772 523231

Sources of further information

www.lancsteachinghospitals.nhs.uk

www.nhs.uk

www.patient.co.uk

www.accessable.co.uk

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Cantonese:

如果你希望以另外一種格式接收該資訊，請和我們聯絡，不必猶豫。

Gujarati:

જો તમને આ માહિતી બીજી રચના કે ફોર્મેટમાં મેળવવાની ઈચ્છા હોય, તો કૃપા કરી અમારો સંપર્ક કરતા અચકાશો નહિ.

Hungarian:

Kérjük, vegye fel velünk a kapcsolatot, ha más formában kéri ezt az információt.

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Punjabi:

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Urdu:

اگر آپ اس معلومات کو کسی اور صورت میں حاصل کرنا چاہتے ہیں تو برائے مہربانی ہم سے رابطہ کرنے میں ہچکچاہٹ محسوس نہ کریں۔

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