

Information for patients and carers

Your Radiotherapy Review

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Who will I see?

Your consultant will continue to oversee your care. However, we have a large team of experienced staff who specialise in the management of radiotherapy side effects. Therefore, your radiotherapy review may be with your consultant or any member of this team.

The review team includes Consultant Radiographers, Advanced Clinical Practitioners, Radiotherapy Review Nurses/ Radiographers and Clinical Nurse Specialists.

All members of this team are highly trained and are able to offer you the best possible support and care during your radiotherapy. They are able to prescribe medication where necessary; and will work alongside your consultant to ensure you get the best care possible.

Training

We are a teaching hospital, and trainees may be involved in your care. Please be assured that all trainees are supervised and are qualified to see you in your review. There may also be additional people in your review, including students or staff members who are observing to improve their knowledge on the management of side effects. Please let the staff know if you are uncomfortable having extra people in the room.

Chaperones

Your dignity is very important to us; we will offer you a chaperone if we need to do any examinations. Please inform the staff member if there is someone you would prefer to have as a chaperone.

What is a review and what can I expect?

When you receive your radiotherapy appointment list, you will notice that you have one or more Review Clinic appointments.

A review clinic is a meeting with a member of the review team, where you can discuss your treatment side effects/reactions and be given advice, and where necessary, be prescribed medications to help manage them. However, if there is an urgent issue that cannot wait until your planned review, radiotherapy reviews can also be requested on any treatment day through your radiographers.

It is not possible to give information on how the radiotherapy is working in the review appointment.

Contact details

Should you require further advice or information please contact:

Radiotherapy Reception **(01772) 522923**

Appointments **(01772) 522931**

Transport **(01772) 522295**

If you would like to watch a short information video about radiotherapy, please scan the QR code below.



Sources of further information

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www.nhs.uk

www.accessable.co.uk

www.patient.co.uk

www.lancsteachinghospitals.nhs.uk/veteran-aware

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