



The Christie **NHS**
NHS Foundation Trust

The specialist nursing service for plastic surgery and skin cancer

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The clinical nurse specialists (CNS) aim to provide support and information to people with a cancer diagnosis.

The CNS will also provide support to their families and carers if it is needed.

The aim is to support the patient from the point of diagnosis, throughout their investigations, treatment planning and follow-up.

Services the CNS provides

- Listens to you about any feelings, worries and concerns about your diagnosis and treatment. Supports you by answering any questions you may have.
- Discusses the diagnosis and treatment plan with you and, if needed, your family or carer. Helps you to understand what is happening at each stage of your care.
- Gives you written and verbal information on diagnosis.
- Provides a point of contact.
- Gives you information on where to get financial advice.
- Makes referrals to other multi-disciplinary team specialist services, such as specialist counselling, complementary therapy, lymphoedema clinic and camouflage service.

The clinical nurse specialists for skin cancer at The Christie are Caroline Owens and Sarah Fulton. They are registered nurses with specialist training and experience within skin cancer.

Please do not hesitate to call Caroline or Sarah if you have any questions or concerns throughout your care at The Christie.

Contacting the specialist nurses

Contact hours are between 9am to 4pm Monday to Friday.

**Caroline Owens 0161 918 7587
and
Sarah Fulton**

If they are not at their desks there is an answer machine service. Please leave a message and they will call you back, although this may not be the same day.