

If you have any questions about your treatment please contact:

Outreach Lead Nurse on 0161 918 7671.

Working hours 8.30am to 4.30pm
Monday to Friday.

If you have any queries about your mobile chemotherapy appointments please contact:

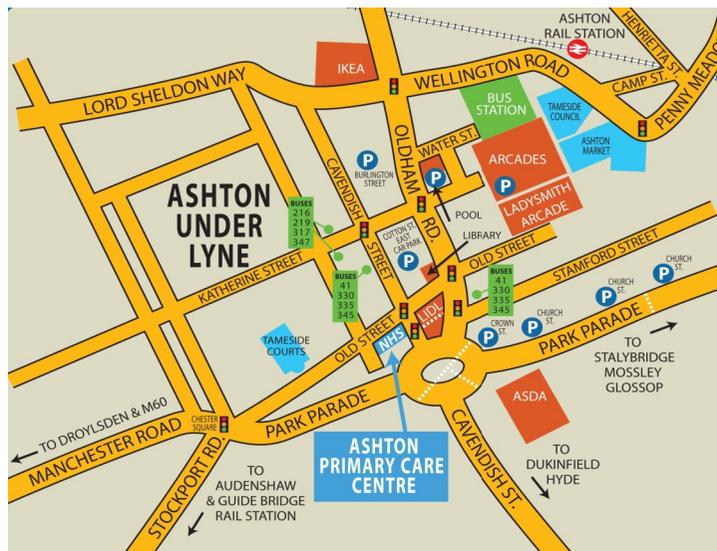
Outreach Scheduler on 0161 918 7654.

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If you would like to find out more or would like to have your treatment on the mobile unit please ask your doctor or chemotherapy nurse. Alternatively, please contact the team on the above telephone numbers.

If you are unwell please contact the 24 hour Christie Hotline on 0161 446 3658.

Location



By car

From M60 (J23) follow signs for Ikea till you come to first set of traffic lights. Turn right taking the A6140 to Ashton. Go through one roundabout, at the next roundabout take the 3rd exit staying on the A6140. Turn right onto Oldham Road A627. Turn left onto Old Street.

Sat Nav postcode OL6 7SR

Parking

Free parking is available at the rear entrance to the Building. Press intercom when you have approached the barrier and a member of reception will lift the barrier for you.

By Bus

Local bus stations are situated close to the Primary care centre.



The Christie **NHS**
NHS Foundation Trust

The Christie at Ashton Primary Care Centre



Introduction

The chemotherapy service at Ashton Primary Care Centre is managed by The Christie. This means that the oncologists (cancer specialists) who will be caring for you work at The Christie NHS Foundation Trust, but you will be able to have your treatment in Ashton. This is to ensure that you receive as much of your treatment as possible closer to your home.

We hope that you will find this leaflet useful whilst having your treatment at Ashton. The information is a general guide and will not answer all the questions you are likely to have. Please discuss any worries or concerns with your oncologist or specialist nurse.

Not all treatment can be given at Ashton and for some patients treatment at The Christie will be an essential part of their care.

The Christie NHS Foundation Trust

The Christie is one of Europe's leading cancer centres offering high-quality diagnosis, treatment and care for patients; world-class research; and education in all aspects of cancer.

The wide range of services include chemotherapy, radiotherapy, specialist surgery and leukaemia services, palliative and supportive care, and endocrinology.

Ashton Primary Care Centre (PCC)

Ashton Primary Care Centre is situated on Old Street near Lidl supermarket. The new, state of the art centre is close to bus and public parking facilities.

Chemotherapy is given in 2 treatment rooms on the First Floor of the centre in the **green zone**.

Oncology Doctors

You will be seen by the oncologist at The Christie and they will discuss with you the possibility of having your treatment at Ashton PCC. The oncologist will discuss your treatment with you before any therapy is started. If you would like to know more, do not hesitate to ask your oncologist or any of their team.

You will still need to travel to the hospital for your review appointments with your doctor.

The Christie is a training hospital so you may meet both male and female students. Any concerns you may have regarding the gender of the oncologist will be considered but by allowing them to take part in your care, you can make a valuable contribution to their training. If you prefer not to, please tell the doctor or nurse in charge as soon as possible. You have a right to do this, and your treatment will not be affected in any way.

The Ashton clinic is run by our Christie chemotherapy trained nurses to ensure that standards of care and safety are consistent with our main site.

Bloods before treatment

If you are not required to see your doctor in clinic prior to receiving a cycle of chemotherapy you will still need to have a blood test. Please attend hospital for a blood test the Wednesday before your chemotherapy appointment. Your blood test can be taken at Tameside General Hospital. You can also attend The Christie for your blood test. If you are unable to attend your local hospital your GP surgery or District Nurse may be able to take the blood test for you.

For each blood test you will need to take a completed blood form with you that is specific to the hospital you are attending. If required, a form will be sent out in the post to you before treatment, the nurses will then provide future forms for you when you attend for your treatment.