

If you have any questions about your treatment or appointments please contact:

SACT Outreach team

Tel 0161 9187653 or 0161 918 7671

Working hours 8.30 to 4.30

Monday to Friday.

Where we are:

The Tameside Macmillan Unit
Tameside Hospital NHS Trust
Ladysmith Building
Fountain Street
Ashton Under Lyne OL6 9RW.

Travelling by car

Car parking is available opposite The Macmillan unit. Alternative parking is also available nearby in the multi-storey car park on Fountain Street.

Car parking is free of charge for any oncology patient who attends the Trust for frequent regular treatment. Ask your nurse for details.

Travelling by bus

113, 362, 638/39, 640/641, 664, 674.

Traveline 0870 608 2608

Smoking

The Christie NHS Foundation Trust and Tameside Hospital NHS Foundation Trust are non-smoking hospitals. Patients and visitors are not permitted to smoke anywhere on the hospital grounds during visits.

For more information about The Christie and our services, please visit www.christie.nhs.uk or visit the cancer information centres at Withington, Oldham or Salford.



The Christie 
NHS Foundation Trust

The Christie at The Tameside Macmillan unit

Providing chemotherapy
closer to home

Contact The Christie Hotline for
urgent support and specialist advice

**The Christie Hotline:
0161 446 3658**

Open 24 hours a day, 7 days a week

The Christie NHS Foundation Trust
Wilmslow Road
Withington
Manchester M20 4BX

Tel: 0161 446 3000
www.christie.nhs.uk

The Christie Patient Information Service
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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 includes chemotherapy, radiotherapy, specialist surgery and leukaemia services, palliative and supportive care, and endocrinology.

Our pledge

We will offer, for any patients who require chemotherapy, the best available options for treatment, in the most appropriate place and facilities, delivered safely and supported by specialists in chemotherapy treatments and their side effects.

The Christie has over 100 years of experience playing a leading role in the advancement of cancer treatment and care. As a specialist cancer centre, our aim is to provide an excellent quality service for all our patients, both within our main Christie site and nearer to the patient's home.

The Tameside Macmillan unit

From February 2017, The Tameside Macmillan unit will benefit those patients who would normally have to travel long distances for treatment at The Christie. It will enable us to deliver the first class treatment and care, for which The Christie is renowned, closer to home.

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

The unit has six treatment chairs and we can treat around 20 patients per day.

Many standard chemotherapy treatments are suitable for treatment at The Tameside Macmillan unit. The suitability will depend on length of treatment time, types of drugs, complexity of the regimen and consultant approval.

Whilst attending The Tameside Macmillan unit, you will remain under the care of your Christie oncologist. You will continue to receive regular appointments to attend for a medical review at The Christie. For a small number of patients, under certain consultants, the review appointment will be at Tameside Hospital. You will be informed by your team if this is the case.

Blood tests before treatment

If you are not required to see your doctor in clinic before receiving a cycle of chemotherapy you will still need to have a blood test. Your blood test can be taken at the main phlebotomy department at Tameside hospital or at The Christie. If you are unable to attend either hospital, your GP surgery or district nurse may be able to take the blood test for you.

For each blood test you will need a blood form. 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.

Information and support services

The Tameside Macmillan Unit provides a comprehensive Macmillan information service for patients and their families attending the unit. The Macmillan information centre is open daily between 8am and 5pm.

A complementary therapy service is available to Christie patients attending the unit for treatment. Please ask your nursing team if you would be interested in accessing the relaxation services on offer.