



METASTATIC SPINAL CORD COMPRESSION NAMED REHABILITATION LINKS

THE CHRISTIE, GREATER MANCHESTER & CHESHIRE

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Supportive Care and Rehabilitation (2008)

“Discharge planning and ongoing care, including rehabilitation for patients with MSCC, should start on admission and be led by a named individual from within the responsible clinical team. It should involve the patient and their families and carers, their primary oncology site team, rehabilitation team and community support, including primary care and specialist palliative care, as required.”

The NICE Clinical Guideline for MSCC (November 2008) requires each organisation to have a named rehabilitation lead. In Greater Manchester & Cheshire the specialist centres identified in the care pathway are The Christie for oncology and Salford Royal for surgical management. The specialist rehabilitation staff working in MSCC at Salford and The Christie will be at the core of the ‘named lead network’ and will assist with communication, liaison and updating the clinical guidelines. The cancer network has adopted the clinical guidelines produced by the Christie and they are available on <http://www.christie.nhs.uk/MSCC>.

The responsibilities of the Network MSCC Co-ordinator and the specialist leads at The Christie and Salford Royal will be to:

- Maintain an up to date list of named AHP leads from local organizations (lena.richards@christie.nhs.uk)
- Communicate any changes to the clinical guidelines to the named AHP leads

- Liaise with local rehabilitation staff about the management plan when the patient is transferred across organizations
- Be a resource for education and training
- Provide help and advice over the phone to named rehabilitation leads
- To facilitate an annual meeting of named rehabilitation leads

The responsibilities of the named rehabilitation leads will be to:

- Be the named point of contact in their organization
- Be aware of the clinical guidelines and encourage awareness and education in their organisation
- Be aware of the network wide process which is in place to ensure that patients enter the pathway quickly so that effective and responsive treatment takes place
- Ensure that their contact details on the list of named AHP leads is kept up to date. To notify Lena Richards, MSCC Co-ordinator at the Christie of any changes
- Be responsible for making rehabilitation staff in their organization aware of any changes to the Christie, Greater Manchester & Cheshire Clinical Guidelines
- Liaise about the transfer of patients requiring rehabilitation between organisations

For a list of Named Rehabilitation Link Personnel in each Organisation, please refer to the Directory.

CONSULTATION, APPROVAL & RATIFICATION PROCESS

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