

Providing treatment closer to home

Townside Primary Care Centre (Bury)

Introduction

The chemotherapy service at Townside primary care centre in Bury 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 Bury. This means you will be able to 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 Bury. 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 Bury and for some patients treatment at The Christie will be an essential part of their care.

Townside Primary Care Centre (PCC)

Townside Primary Care Centre is situated at the corner of Knowsley Street and Angouleme Way (opposite Bury Town Hall). The new, state of the art centre is close to Bury Interchange and public parking facilities. The impressive health centre has a range of health and wellbeing services, including five GP practices. Chemotherapy is given in two treatment rooms on the 4th floor of the centre.



If you need information in a different format, such as easy read, large print, BSL, braille, email, SMS text or other communication support, please tell your ward or clinic nurse.

We try to ensure that all our information given to patients is accurate, balanced and based on the most up-to-date scientific evidence. If you would like to have details about the sources used please contact patient.information@christie.nhs.uk

For information and advice visit the cancer information centres at Withington, Oldham or Salford. Opening times can vary, please check before making a special journey.

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



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 Townside 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.

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

Blood tests before treatment

If you are required to see your doctor in clinic before receiving a cycle of chemotherapy, you will still need to have a blood test. Please attend hospital for a blood test the Tuesday before your chemotherapy appointment. Your blood test can be taken at Royal Oldham Hospital; Fairfield General Hospital (Bury); North Manchester General Hospital or Rochdale Infirmary. 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 a blood form that is specific to the hospital you are attending. If required the form will be sent out in the post to you before treatment. The nurse will then provide future forms for you when you attend for your treatment. If you have any questions about your treatment please contact:

The outreach chemotherapy team **Tel 0161 918 7671**
Working hours 8:00am - 4:00pm, Monday - Friday

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

The outreach scheduler **Tel 0161 918 7654**
Working hours 8:00am - 4:00pm, Monday - Friday

If you are unwell, please contact The Christie Hotline on 0161 446 3658 (24 hours)

Location

By car:

From M66 (Junction 2) follow the A58 towards Bolton/Bury, continue along the A58 Angouleme Way for 1/2 mile. At present no left turn is possible. At the next traffic lights turn left and then 1st left onto Knowsley Street.

Parking is available at Q Park Knowsley Street, adjacent to Townside Primary Care Centre. (Height restriction of 2.10m). Parking charges: up to 1 hour £1.00, 2 hours £1.60, 3 hours £2 and 4 hours £4. (Cash payment only in car park).

Sat Nav postcode is **BL9 0SW**.

By bus and Metrolink

Townside Primary Care Centre is 2 minutes walk from Bury Interchange Bus and Metrolink Stations.