Who can be referred to the haematology nurse specialist service?

- Newly diagnosed patients with any haematology disorder referred to The Christie or Tameside Hospital
- Patients requiring support and information (including written information) about their illness or side effects of treatment from diagnosis and throughout their care
- Patients thought likely to benefit from additional support and contact in-between hospital visits
- Relatives or carers requiring support and information
- Haematology patients requiring bone marrow biopsy procedures

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.

The Christie is committed to producing high quality, evidence based information for patients. Our patient information adheres to the principles and quality statements of the Information Standard. 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.

Haematology department

Haematology clinical nurse specialist service

Haematology nurses

The haematology nurses are experienced cancer nurses who specialise in the care and support of people attending the Palatine treatment centre, Palatine ward, other wards within the Trust and The Christie service at Tameside Hospital.

They act as a key worker for haematology patients receiving treatment at The Christie or at Tameside Hospital and work closely with doctors and other healthcare professionals.

Haematology nurses offer:

- specialist information and advice
- time to discuss your problems or concerns
- discussion of your treatment options
- help with physical and emotional problems relating to your illness or treatment side effects
- information and support for relatives and friends
- a point of contact when problems arise
- a link to other health professionals involved in your care at home and in hospital

Your haematology nurses are:

Emma Whitham and Laura Worthington (The Christie) 0161 918 7962
Maggie Quinn (Tameside Hospital) 0161 922 5200
haematologycns@christie.nhs.uk
Where the haematology nurses are available
• in the hospital outpatient clinics
• on the haematology day unit (HTDU) or Tameside Macmillan unit
• on the hospital wards

How to contact the haematology nurses
• ask your ward nurse to bleep them if you are an inpatient
• call them directly on the numbers provided (on the front page)

Who can contact the haematology nurses
• all patients with a haematology cancer/disorder attending The Christie or Tameside Hospital

What to do if you feel unwell
• call The Christie Hotline without delay on 0161 446 3658 (24 hour service)

Contact information
For appointment queries, please contact your consultant’s secretary on one of the numbers below:
Professor Bloor                     0161 446 3278
Dr Castelton                         0161 446 3278
Dr Cavet                               0161 446 8488
Dr Chasty                             0161 446 3278
Dr Dennis                             0161 446 3869
Dr Kulkarni                           0161 446 8488
Professor Somerville             0161 336 3869
Dr Wiseman                         0161 446 3869
Dr Somerfield (Tameside)     0161 922 6596/4196

Useful information and contact details
Macmillan Cancer Support
A national cancer information charity which runs a cancer information service (Monday to Friday, 10:00am - 4:00pm).
www.macmillan.org.uk
0808 808 0000

The cancer information centre at The Christie (department 3)
0161 446 8100

Maggie’s Manchester
The centre provides a full programme of practical and emotional support including benefits advice, relaxation and stress management.
The Robert Parfett Building, The Christie NHS Foundation Trust, 15 Kinnaird Road, Manchester M20 4QL
www.maggiescentres.org.uk
0161 641 4848
manchester@maggiescentres.org

Leukaemia Care
A national blood cancer support charity dedicated to ensuring that anyone affected by blood cancer receives the right information, advice and support.
www.leukaemiacare.org.uk
0800 980 3332

Myeloma UK
Help and support for people with myeloma.
www.myeloma.org.uk
0800 980 3332

Lymphoma Action
Information and emotional support for lymphoma and patients with chronic lymphocytic leukaemia.
www.lymphomas.org.uk
0808 808 5555

Bloodwise
For anyone affected by blood cancer.
www.bloodwise.org
0808 2080 888