

Radiotherapy department

Patient record – Mitomycin-C and 5-Flourouracil For outpatient chemotherapy and radiotherapy for anal cancer

Patient label

	Location	Day 1	Day 21
PICC line insertion	Integrated Procedures Unit (IPU)		
Chemotherapy	Oak Road Treatment Centre (ORTC)		
Radiotherapy	Radiotherapy (dept. 39) Suite _____		

Please attend the Integrated Procedure Unit (IPU) to have your peripherally inserted central catheter line (PICC line) inserted.

Once this is in position the staff may take bloods from the PICC line for your chemotherapy.

Once this is in position, you will then need to go to the Oak Road Treatment Centre (ORTC) for your chemotherapy pump to be attached.

You will need to fill your bladder for the radiotherapy treatment, the radiographers will explain in further detail to you. It will help if you stay well hydrated during the day, whenever possible.

After this go to the radiotherapy department to have your radiotherapy treatment.

- If you are ahead of your appointment time, please let a staff member in the relevant department know, as they may be able to move your appointment to an earlier time.
- We recommend that you keep your PICC line in between your cycles of chemotherapy. If you choose to have your PICC line removed after cycle 1, then it will have to be re-inserted at cycle 2.
- Please remember to use your anti-bacterial body wash and nasal cream for 5 days before insertion. Please see overleaf for more information.



Anti-bacterial body wash (Octenisan®) and nasal cream (Mupirocin)

Before your PICC line insertion you will need to have a routine swab taken to check for MRSA before the procedure. MRSA is a bacteria or germ that is resistant to some antibiotics. Most people carry germs on their skin and in their nose which are usually harmless, however when you have a line inserted it is possible that these germs can travel up the line and into your bloodstream causing infection, either in your blood or at the site on your skin where the line comes out of your body.

To help prevent infection you will be given an antiseptic body wash and nasal cream which you must use before your line is inserted. You must collect this from The Christie Pharmacy (department 36) before you start your treatment.

Both the anti-bacterial body wash and the nasal cream should be used for **2 days prior to the procedure, on the day of the procedure and 2 days after – 5 days in total.**

Body wash

The anti-bacterial body wash should replace your usual soap and shampoo and be used daily in either the bath or shower. Your hair should also be washed with the antiseptic wash.

If you are unable to use the bath or shower, the body wash should still be used for daily personal hygiene using a disposable or fresh cloth. Concentrate the body wash on the underarm and groin area as these are the warm moist areas where germs can multiply rapidly.

Nasal cream

Wash your hands before and after applying the cream. The nasal cream (Mupirocin® 2% Bactroban®) should be applied to the inner surface of each nostril 3 times daily for 5 days. Do not use the nasal ointment for more than 5 days.

Day 1	Day 2	Day 3	Day 4	Day 5
		PICC line inserted		
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