

Kidney Cancer UK

Kidney Cancer UK is a national organisation set up by patients. It has a useful website and can put you in contact with other patients.

www.kcuk.org.uk

Local Macmillan nurse

Please ask The Christie nurses to refer you to your local Macmillan nurse. Macmillan nurses are an excellent source of support for patients and family members.

Cancer information centre at The Christie

The centre contains information about all aspects of cancer. It is located in the Oak Road reception area (department 3) and is open 9:00am - 4:30pm. Please check before making a special visit. Tel: **0161 446 8100**.

Financial support and advice

The benefits advice agency enquiry line **0800 882200** or www.dwp.gov.uk.

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.

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 renal cancer oncology service

We treat patients who are referred for treatment by surgeons or other oncologists. The team includes several doctors (registrars, clinical fellows, research fellows), a specialist nurse and a research team. There are increasing options for treatment. The team will discuss the available options with you. Please feel free to contact the team to discuss your treatment.



The clinical nurse specialists

The renal clinical nurse specialists are:

Andrea Spencer-Shaw and Nicola Hill

They can be contacted on **0161 446 8399**.

(Please leave a message if no-one answers).

The clinical nurse specialists provide:

- ongoing advice and support for patients, their partners and families
- information and advice about various treatments
- a point of contact when questions or problems arise; they specialise in the management of side effects of anti-cancer therapy
- a link to other health professionals involved in your care at home or in hospital
- information about useful organisations and patient support services

They attend outpatient renal clinics and can visit you on the ward if you are an inpatient. Please ask the ward receptionists to contact them.

Research nurses

The Christie is a national and international centre for clinical research, so your consultant may speak to you about taking part in a clinical trial. We also have a research interest in the immune system and cancer and we may ask you to give blood to help with this research.

You will have the opportunity to meet the research nurses who are experienced in renal care and have specialist knowledge of cancer trials.

The research nurses attend outpatient clinics and have a dedicated renal research clinic on a Wednesday afternoon in the Oak Road treatment centre.

How to access the service

To discuss clinic appointment please contact **0161 446 3515**.

Your consultant's secretary can be contacted by calling:

Dr Pillai - **161 446 3208**

Dr Waddell - **0161 918 7217**

If you are on a clinical trial you should contact the research secretary on **0161 918 7673**.

Research nurses can be contacted on **0161 918 7882**.

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Useful contacts

Macmillan Cancer Support

Macmillan has information on all aspects of cancer, and provides a wide range of support to improve the lives of people affected by cancer. This includes up to date expert information as well as practical, emotional and financial support.

Telephone freephone **0800 808 0000**. Lines are open Monday to Friday, 9:00am - 7:00pm. Calls are answered by specialist nurses.

www.macmillan.org.uk

Cancer Research UK

CancerHelp UK is the patient information website of Cancer Research UK. It provides a free information service about cancer and cancer care for people with cancer and their families.

www.cancerhelp.org.uk

You can contact their team of specialist nurses on **020 7061 8355**, or freephone **0808 800 4040**.

Lines are open Monday to Friday 9:00am - 5:00pm.