



The Macmillan Upper Gastrointestinal (GI) and Hepatobiliary (HPB) Cancer Nurse Specialists

Providing support and information for patients and their families

Patient information

We are the Macmillan Upper Gastrointestinal and Hepatobiliary Cancer Nurse Specialists. We work at The Royal Sussex County Hospital in Brighton. We are here to support you, and those around you.

How to contact us

Telephone number: 01273 696955 Ext. 67864

Email: uhsussex.uppergicns.brighton@nhs.net

We work Monday to Friday 8.30am to 5pm. We may be out of the office when you call so please leave your name, hospital number (or date of birth) and a message. We aim to return your call the same working day, but sometimes this may be the next working day.

Please note, if your symptoms are serious and you need urgent attention, contact your GP or go to the Accident & Emergency Department at your local hospital.

How can we help?

- We can offer guidance and support from diagnosis and throughout the course of your treatment and aftercare.
- We can answer your questions and provide expert advice on your cancer and treatments.
- We can help you to manage your symptoms.
- We can provide psychological support and advice to you and those most important to you.
- We will generally see you in clinic. Unfortunately, we cannot visit people at home.
- We are part of a multi-disciplinary team and will be able to talk with other professionals in the team on your behalf when necessary.
- We can make sure you are in touch with the right people and access the right services, For example, dieticians, financial advisors, psychological therapies, or community support.

Who are the upper GI and HPB multidisciplinary team?

The multi-disciplinary team consists of specialists who all have expert training and knowledge in the diagnosis, care and treatment of upper GI and HPB cancer.

The key members include consultant surgeons, consultant oncologists, consultant gastroenterologists, nurse specialists, a consultant radiologist, a consultant histopathologist and the patient pathway coordinator.

The team meet every Wednesday morning to discuss individual patients' treatment and care. We also work closely with the team at the Royal Surrey County Hospital and some patients will have their care shared between both hospitals.

We have listed below some of the people who are in the team:

Upper GI Surgeons Mr K Singh Mr A Athanasiou Mr A Bull Mr S Ahmed

Upper GI Surgeons (based at The Royal Surrey County Hospital) Mr Shaun Preston, Lead Consultant

Mr Nima Abbassi-Ghadi

Mr Pritam Singh Mr Anantha Madhavan Robert Walker HPB Surgeons (based at The Royal Surrey County Hospital) Professor N Karanjia Mr T Worthington

Consultant Gastroenterologists Dr F Chedgy Dr K Jamil Dr S Ha Dr P NG Dr O Mohammed Dr M Smith Consultant Oncologists Dr E Selvadurai Dr A Webb Dr L Hancock

Macmillan Nurse Specialists Katherine Turney Ruth Lutz Tracy Scarlett Jinman-Dunt

Sarah Back

Macmillan Support Worker Hannah Reed

Useful telephone numbers and websites

Digestive diseases appointments 01273 696955 Ext.64667 Level 9 ward 01273 696955 Ext.64498/9 **Sussex Cancer Centre reception** 01273 696955 Ext.64968/64324 **Chemotherapy reception** 01273 696955 Ext.64799 **Radiotherapy reception** 01273 696955 Ext.64901 Macmillan dietitian 01273 696955 Ext.64208 **Macmillan Horizon Centre** 01273 468770 Patient Advice & Liaison Service (PALS) 01273 664511 or 664973 **Digestive diseases secretaries** uhsussex.digestivediseasesmedsecs@nhs.net **Oncology** secretaries uhsussex.brightononcologysecretaries@nhs.net **Guildford OG CNS team** rsch.oesophagagastric-cns@nhs.net 01483 408319 **Guilford HPB CNS team** rsch.oncologyhpbcns@nhs.net 01483 402779

For all imaging enquiries please contact: 01273 523040

Macmillan Cancer Support0808 808 0000Oesophageal Patients Association0121 704 09860Pancreatic Cancer UK Support0808 801 0707

Useful websites

www.nhs.uk pancreaticcancer.org.uk ammf.org.uk gistsupportuk.com

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