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Sarcoma Clinical Nurse Consultant

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This leaflet is to introduce you to the State Sarcoma Service at Sir Charles Gairdner Hospital.

Role of the Sarcoma Clinical Nurse Consultant

The Sarcoma Clinical Nurse Consultant is your key contact and link between you and the team from the point of suspected and confirmed diagnosis of Sarcoma and throughout your care.

They aim to co-ordinate and provide you and your carers with advice and information about investigations, procedures and treatments.

Additionally providing a link with the Cancer Nurse Coordinator who will be assisting rural patients to ensure you are aware of support organisations and other resources available.

About the Sarcoma Team

When patients have suspected benign or malignant bone or soft tissue tumours they will be referred to the Sarcoma team for consultation.

The Sarcoma Team includes Specialist Orthopaedic Oncology Surgeons, Sarcoma Clinical Nurse Specialist, Rural Cancer Nurse Co-ordinators.

Each person diagnosed with a Bone or Soft Tissue Tumour may have slightly different treatments, and require an individual treatment plan.

Investigations, treatments and operations will be suggested according to the type of cancer, where it is located and the needs of the individual patient.

The Multidisciplinary Team

Individual cases are discussed at a Multidisciplinary Team Meeting. Held weekly, this meeting is attended by Specialist General Surgeons, Plastic Surgeons, Vascular Surgeons, Urologists, Specialist Medical and Radiation Oncologists, Radiologists, Histopathologists and Palliative Care Specialist.

The group meet and discuss the diagnosis, review available x-rays/ scans, biopsy and other results to decide on the most appropriate treatment based on the best evidence and best outcomes.

Following this meeting each patient will receive an appointment to discuss the recommended treatment. This will help you decide which of the options is best for you.

Types of Treatment

There are four main treatments available.

They are

- Surgery
- Chemotherapy
- Radiotherapy
- Palliative

Or a combination of the above.