

Living With & Beyond Cancer Newsletter Macmillan Recovery Package May 2019

Health and Wellbeing

The Macmillan Recovery Package team had a fantastic day at the Cancer Conversation Café in Scarborough. We had the opportunity to speak to people affected by cancer and get their opinions on how we can support people Living With and Beyond Cancer and how we should develop services going forward.

We were able to gain really valuable feedback from people affected by cancer, the common themes focused on the difficulty around transport when having treatment, support for relatives of those who are having treatment, and a focus on having more support throughout and after treatment. The Conversation Café was well received, it gave people the opportunity to talk about concerns, and it gave them an opportunity to talk to each other and build on peer support.

Another common theme was - "It would be nice to have somewhere like this to drop in and talk in the city centre".

We are looking forward to our next focus group in York talking about Health and Wellbeing. If you would like to join us please get in touch to register the event is held in the Cancer Care Centre 6th June 10-11am.

The feedback we receive is invaluable. We are currently in the process of proposing a model for Health and Wellbeing going forward and we continue to develop services within the Trust and the community.

Steering Group

We continue to develop the steering group meetings, this is made up of health professionals and representatives who have been affected by cancer. We have a steering group in Scarborough on the 10th July and one in York on the 16th July. The structure of the meetings is to update on the developments of the Recovery Package, and to gain insight on different topics throughout the year. We plan on discussing Health and Wellbeing at the next meetings. The insight gained from different perspectives steers the project in achieving the overall objectives.

Treatment Summary

FANTASTIC NEWS - The electronic Treatment Summary will go live 3rd June 2019. More information in our next newsletter. For information about Treatment Summaries please see the link below –

<https://www.yorkhospitals.nhs.uk/our-services/a-z-of-services/cancer-care-/living-with-beyond-cancer1/treatment-summary1/>

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