

# The Malignancy of Unknown Origin

### **Multi-Disciplinary Team**

Information for patients, relatives and carers

① For more information:

York and Scarborough Hospital Patients
Please phone the MUO Pathway Navigator
on York 01904 724516

## Members of the Multi-Disciplinary Team (MDT)

Are specialists in the care and management of patients with a Malignancy of Unknown Origin (MUO). Patients with MUO are discussed at the MDT meeting and the members will agree an individual management plan for each patient.

This may include additional tests. For example: CT scan, MRI scan, Blood tests.

Following the MDT meeting you will be seen in clinic, on the ward or receive a telephone call by the consultant. Your management plan will be discussed with you and your family. You will be offered a summary of these discussions if you would like one.

All MUO patients are offered a Key Worker (this is often a Clinical Nurse Specialist or CNS), in addition, you will have contact with our MUO Pathway Navigator. These health care professionals will be responsible for supporting you and coordinating your care.

The MDT includes members from York and Scarborough Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust.

#### The Core members are:

Consultant Oncologist
A doctor who diagnoses and treats cancer patients

#### **Consultant Radiologist**

A doctor who interprets x-rays, CT & MRI scans. May perform biopsies too

#### **Consultant Histopathologist**

A doctor who interprets tissue samples (biopsies)

#### **Consultant in Palliative Care**

A doctor who provides palliative care and symptomatic support such as pain management

#### **MUO Clinical Nurse Specialist**

A senior nurse who provides information, support, and advice

#### **MUO MDT Co-Ordinator**

The MDT team administrator

#### **MUO Pathway Navigator**

A person who provides; clerical administration, patient support and produces reports on MDT discussions.

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We hope that you found this leaflet helpful. If you would like to tell us what you think, please contact:

#### **York Hospital Patients:**

Contact your MUO Specialist Nurse on 01904 724516. The Magnolia Centre
The York Hospital Wigginton Road York, YO31 8HE

#### **Scarborough Hospital Patients:**

Contact your MUO Specialist Nurse on 01723 342228. The Macmillan Unit Scarborough Hospital, Woodlands Drive Scarborough, YO12 6QL

#### Teaching, training and research

Our Trust is committed to teaching, training and research to support the development of health and healthcare in our community. Healthcare students may observe consultations for this purpose. You can opt out if you do not want students to observe. We may also ask you if you would like to be involved in our research.

## Patient Advice and Liaison Service (PALS)

PALS offers impartial advice and assistance to patients, their relatives, friends and carers. We can listen to feedback (positive or negative), answer questions and help resolve any concerns about Trust services.

PALS can be contacted on 01904 726262, or email pals@york.nhs.uk.

An answer phone is available out of hours.

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