

Patient information

Specialist Early Rectal Cancer MDT: A Guide for Patients and Carers

Digestive Diseases Care Group

The Specialist Early Rectal Cancer Multidisciplinary Team (MDT) is a well-established group of experts with a specialist role in the treatment and management of people with benign (non-cancerous) and early rectal cancer lesions.

The MDT offers specialist advice to other hospitals within the Merseyside Cancer Network. This meeting will ensure that each patient is given the same high standard of care.

We have been asked by your referring Hospitalto discuss your results. You may have already undergone several investigations beforehand.

Why do I need to be discussed?

For some patients, results may indicate a suspicion or diagnosis of cancer. It may be just that your case needs specialist advice to ensure that the best possible treatment options are offered based on clinical knowledge and your own individual needs. This approach ensures that all necessary investigations are carried out as quickly as possible and the best treatment is offered.

Treatment options will then be discussed with you and your family at an appointment. This treatment may involve surgery, endoscopic procedures or radiotherapy or a combination of these treatments.

What is a Multi-Disciplinary Team (MDT)?

A multi-disciplinary team is made up of Consultant Specialists from Gastroenterology, Surgery and Oncology. Other disciplines include Radiologists, Histopathologists and Specialist Nurses.

The Small Early Rectal Cancer MDT meets weekly on a Tuesday to discuss in confidence, newly referred patients with a suspected or confirmed rectal lesion.

All Imaging and Histopathology will be reviewed, and this will form the basis of the discussions to determine any further treatment plans/investigations to be arranged.

The outcome of this meeting will be sent to your referring Consultant who will contact you with the outcome of this meeting. If you need to be reviewed here at the Royal Liverpool Hospital the Colorectal Nurse will contact you within 24 hours usually by telephone to let you know the outcome of the meeting and arrange any subsequent investigations or appointments. All discussions are made collectively by the MDT and are individualised according to patient need.

Who is in the Team?

- Professor Paul O'Toole Consultant Gastroenterologist, Clinical Lead (RLH).
- Miss Simone Slawik Colorectal Consultant (Aintree).
- Mr Shakil Ahmed Colorectal Consultant (RLH).
- Dr Ammad Farooq Consultant Radiologist.
- Dr Pryia Healey Consultant Radiologist.
- Dr Tim Andrews Consultant Histopathologist.
- Ashley Keogh Colorectal Nurse Specialist (RLH).
- Emma Atkinson Colorectal Nurse Specialist (Aintree).
- Lorraine Kitts/ Ellie Rollinson MDT Co-ordinator (RLH).

Key Worker

All patients who are discussed at this meeting and will attend Royal Liverpool Hospital for further investigations treatment will be allocated a Key Worker. This nurse will look after you during your investigations/treatment here. If you are referred back to your referring Hospital your care remains with your local Key Worker.

Why do I need a Key Worker?

Being investigated for possible cancer and/or having a diagnosis of cancer can lead to feelings of shock and fear. A diagnosis may often come with a great deal of new information and it can be difficult to take it all in and remember everything you are told at your hospital appointments. For this reason you should consider bringing someone with you.

Your Key Worker will act as your point of contact within this team and he/she will be able to discuss any concerns or questions you have or clarify information for you.

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Text phone number: 18001 0151 706 3453

If you wish to receive copies of letters relating to your clinic visits, please inform us of this at your next appointment.

If you require an interpreter or have visual/hearing impairment, please let us know how we can help you.

Feedback

Your feedback is important to us and helps us influence care in the future.

Following your discharge from hospital or attendance at your outpatient appointment you will receive a text asking if you would recommend our service to others. Please take the time to text back, you will not be charged for the text and can opt out at any point. Your co-operation is greatly appreciated.

Further information

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Bowel Cancer UK

Telephone: 08008403540

www.bowelcancer.org

MacMillan Cancer Support

www.macmillan.org.uk

NHS Website: information on cancer and useful links

www.nhs.uk

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