



Wirral University Teaching Hospital Macmillan Cancer Information & Support Service January 2025 Newsletter

Welcome to our first Wirral University Teaching Hospital (WUTH) Macmillan Cancer Information and Support centre (MCISS) Newsletter! At WUTH MCISS we have our team ready and eager to help patients, families, carers, and staff or anyone affected by cancer in Wirral.



Meet the team!



Anne Torkington Centre Manager

Rosemary Roberts Information and support advisor





Linda Kendrick Information and support assistant

Please feel free to call in from Monday to Friday (We are closed on bank holidays).

You can find us on the ground floor of Arrowe Park Hospital

Wirral University Teaching Hospital NHS Foundation Trust,



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Grants and gifts for our patients!

In 2024 we obtained over £5000 in grants from Macmillan (which are awards of £200 per person) and the Care Workers Charity who have given around £750 per grant!





We also have referred 24 of our service users to local charity ACTS who promote wellbeing acts of kindness to people who may be having a difficult time. Their pamper boxes are always well received.

Macmillan HOPE Course (Help Overcoming Problems Effectively)

We are currently running our third Wirral HOPE survivorship course over this January and February for a cohort of patients who have completed treatment but feel they will benefit from the extra support this course provides over its 6 sessions.



Thank you for your Donation!

"I would be most grateful if you could kindly arrange a donation of £2000 from the Caroline Tod Charitable trust to Macmillan Cancer Support. This donation is given with heartfelt thanks to Anne Torkington"

We are hugely grateful to the Caroline Todd Foundation for their most generous donation helping Macmillan continue its work supporting patients affected by cancer.

World Cancer Day

It's almost time for World Cancer Day! The key theme this year is "United by Unique" People and places at the centre of care, exploring new ways of making a difference.

World Cancer Day takes place every year on 4 February and is the uniting global initiative under which the world comes together to raise the profile of cancer in a positive and inspiring way. Spearheaded by the Union for International Cancer Control (UICC), the day aims to save millions of lives each year by raising awareness about the disease while calling for actions from governments and individuals across the world. It has become one of the largest health awareness days globally. For more information, please visit: www.worldcancerday.org

MCISS will be having a stall in the foyer of Arrowe Park Hospital on the 4^{th of} February to celebrate and support World Cancer Day!

Personalised Care Project

You are invited to attend one of our Coproduction events for the Macmillan Integrated Personal Care Service. This is an exciting opportunity to be part of shaping and producing a new cancer support service for Wirral residents that is being delivered by One Wirral CIC, Macmillan Support and Wirral University Teaching Hospitals.

It's an opportunity to strengthen relationships between community organisations and local services.

There are three events across the Wirral and one online event:

Wed 29th January 2025 09:30-11:30am St Barnabas church centre, **Bromborough** CH62 7AA

Thurs 30th January 2025 09:30-11:30am The Jubilee centre **Wallasey** CH450LA

Tues 4th February 2025 09:30-11:30am Wirral Change **Birkenhead** CH41 3JD

Online Tuesday 11th February 2025 6:00-8:00pm

If you can attend one of our events, please email **Onewirral.cic@nhs.net**

Macmillan Citizens Advice Bureau Team (CAB)



We have been fortunate to be working closely with our local CAB team since November 2023 and have David Saez Galindo and Alexandra Whyte supporting our patients and families on Wirral. They offer benefits advice, help with Department for Work and Pensions forms (DWP), as well as also organising Macmillan and other grants for patients.





