




The Clatterbridge  
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# Prostate Cancer Nursing and Support Team

Nursing

A guide for patients and carers




**The Prostate Cancer nursing and support team comprises of Advanced Nurse Practitioners (ANP), Clinical Nurse Specialists (CNS), Cancer Support Workers (CSW) and Research Nurses. Together we cover various locations across Cheshire & Merseyside.**

An Advanced Nurse Practitioner (ANP) is a nurse who has undertaken advanced clinical training and is able to clinically assess, diagnose and prescribe appropriate treatment. They work as part of the medical team in clinic. You may sometimes be seen by an ANP instead of your consultant when you are due a review.

A Clinical Nurse Specialist (CNS) is a nurse who has specialist experience in cancer care. Their role is to be a keyworker/ point of contact for you and your family throughout your treatment at CCC. They can provide psychological support and symptom/toxicity management advice. They can signpost you to additional areas of support or refer you to other members of the multi-disciplinary team as required e.g., welfare and benefits (DS1500), physiotherapy, palliative care, and occupational health.

A Cancer Support Worker (CSW) works closely with and supports the nursing and medical team. A CSW can offer you a Macmillan Holistic Needs Assessment (HNA). This will help us better understand and meet your individual needs and support you through your treatment. A CSW can signpost you to additional support services and provide you with helpful information and advice. If at any time you would like to discuss your concerns, or feel you would benefit from any additional support, please ask to speak with a CSW.





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Research Nurses work closely with the Prostate Cancer team advising and supporting patients regarding current research the team are involved in. To find out if you are eligible to participate in research at Clatterbridge Cancer Centre, contact details are at the end of this form. You may be eligible to participate in clinical trials, however, this is completely voluntary and will not impact your treatment or care if you decline to do so.

**Advanced Nurse Practitioners:**

**Sarah Jones & Ronald Thondickal**

**Clinical Nurse Specialists:**

**Helen Blackmore, Hannah Ainsborough, Sarah Cubbin,  
Gail Cottis & Rachel McCabe**

**Cancer Support Workers: Charlotte Joshua & Laura Patterson**

## Contact details

**Prostate Cancer Nursing and Support Team:**

**0151 556 5829** (Monday-Friday 9am-5pm). Please leave a message if no-one is available and we will aim to get back to you within 24 hours.

For any urgent clinical advice, please call the Triage Hotline at Clatterbridge on **0800 169 5555**. This service is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

**The Lead Urology Research Practitioner** can be contacted via email: **[linda.lyons1@nhs.net](mailto:linda.lyons1@nhs.net)**



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