

Children and Young People's Home Care Team

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Children having paediatric oncology shared care

Important information for parents/carers



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Home Care Team

The Children and Young People's Home Care Team are a team of specialist trained children's community nurses who are able to visit families in the community. We provide practical intervention or nursing care support and health education to families with children who have cancer.

What do we do?

We provide clinical care and support at home e.g. central line care, monitoring of your child's condition, blood tests and approved chemotherapy. We can assess the need for equipment and organise supply, training and maintenance.

Education and Training: We provide education and training in the care of your child to families, school and clubs after their cancer diagnosis.

Liaison: We provide a link between your Principal Treatment Centre (Alder Hey), local shared care centre, home and the community e.g. your GP. There is a significant amount of travelling to Liverpool during the course of your child's treatment. Therefore, we provide what is known as shared care at Leighton Hospital. We aim to do as much as can be done locally to limit the amount of travelling.

Advocate: We act as an advocate for the children and families providing a voice and time.

How are you referred to the Children and Young Peoples Home Care Team?

Your child will be referred in consultation with parents, carers, nursing, Macmillan and medical staff. The nurse allocated to your area will telephone to arrange an appointment with you at home, this maybe in conjunction with your Macmillan nurse.

When are the Children and Young Peoples Home Care Team available and how do they work?

The team are available Monday to Friday 8.30am – 4.30pm. We will try to accommodate out of these hours when possible.

The nurses work in teams across the following areas:-

South Cheshire: Crewe, Nantwich, Alsager and Sandbach.

Vale Royal: Northwich, Winsford, Middlewich and Holmes Chapel.

Useful websites you may like to try:-

www.clicsargent.org.uk information booklets on specific disease e.g. Joe has leukaemia.

www.cclg.org.uk information booklets on brain/spinal tumors and after treatment booklets for all.

www.macmillan.org.uk parents and sibling information booklet on coping.

www.chicsonline.org information on parent support groups.

www.mcht.nhs.uk information booklet about Alder Hey Children's Hospital (produced by previous parents).

www.alderhey.nhs.uk individual patient care plans.

www.leukaemialymphomaresearch.org.uk information booklet about central lines (Wilbur) or Jack's diary (experience booklet for children).