Out of these hours please contact:

- Your GP and/or district or MacMillan nurse
- NHS 24 ~ 111
- Emergency department

TRANSPORT

Lanarkshire Cancer Care Trust is a charity whose work involves providing volunteer drivers to take cancer patients to and from appointments for hospital, clinics, and day care. No charge is made to patients for this transport.

Contact: 01698 355137.

Alternatively you can arrange hospital transport on 01355 244460.





Introducing your Breast Care Nurse Specialist

Information for patients



www.careopinion.org.uk

NHS Lanarkshire - for local services and the latest health news visit www.nhslanarkshire.scot.nhs.uk NHS Lanarkshire General Enquiry Line: 0300 30 30 243

NHS inform - The national health information service for Scotland. www.nhsinform.co.uk
Tel No: 0800 22 44 88

If you need this information in another language or format, please e-mail: Translation. Services@lanarkshire.scot.nhs.uk

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Your Breast Care Nurse Specialist is an experienced nurse who specialises in the care and support of people with a diagnosis of Breast Cancer.

There are Breast Care Nurse Specialists at each of the hospitals throughout Lanarkshire.

You will see your Nurse Specialist at outpatient clinics, pre operatively and post operatively in the ward setting. Your Breast Care Nurse Specialist aims to meet you and your family members from diagnosis, throughout treatment and onto follow-up care.

Your Breast Care Nurse Specialist works closely with the healthcare team to provide continuity of care for you in both hospital and community settings. The other members of the healthcare team you may see are: doctors, surgeons, pathologists, radiologists and dieticians.

WHAT DOES THE **SERVICE PROVIDE?**

The Breast Care Nurse Specialist is available to all patients and their family/carers with a diagnosis of breast cancer:

- Provide information to help you prepare for surgery, investigations and treatment that you may require
- Provide ongoing support, advice and information, and be available to discuss your care and treatment with you
- Provide advice on managing any symptoms you may have as a result of your surgery or treatment
- Provide information about other organisations that may offer you help and support
- Provide advice regarding benefits and other practical issues
- Communicate with others involved in your care
- Provide support for both you and your family
- Coordinate your care with other departments

HOW DO I CONTACT THE SERVICE?

If you are in hospital ask your nurse or doctor to contact the Breast Care Nurse Specialist.

University Hospital Hairmyres:

Breast Care Nurse

Telephone - 01355 585381 (answer phone available) Breast Care Nurse Specialist is available Monday to Friday (excluding Monday afternoon) 9.00 am - 5.00pm.

University Hospital Monklands:

Breast Care Nurse

Telephone - 01698 752486/752487 (answer phone available)

Breast Care Nurse Specialist is available Monday – Friday 8.00 am – 4.00 pm

University Hospital Wishaw:

Breast Care Nurse

Telephone: 01698 366181 (answer phone available) 01698 361100, Pager 080

The Breast Care Nurse Specialist is available Monday to Friday from 8.00am - 4.00pm