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April news

Award for Macmillan Support Line

The Macmillan Support line was recently awarded the Global Standard Accreditation for help lines, reflecting the quality of the service and information provided.

A daytime TV advert to promote Macmillan Support Line to the public will take place at the end of April. Please remind the people you support and your colleagues that the Support Line team are available to provide support and information on emotional, clinical, financial and benefits issues to anyone affected by cancer.

Calls are free and the lines are open Monday to Friday, 9am to 8pm. **0808 808 00 00**



Macmillan commissions UK wide Cancer Specialist Nurse Census

Support your Trust's participation in the first UK-wide, Macmillan commissioned census of cancer specialist nurses taking place on 24 April.

All lead cancer nurses will be invited to provide details of nurses working in hospital cancer services across the UK. Information requested will include the area of specialty and banding. This will help give Macmillan and partner organisations an accurate picture of the current workforce, and to better plan for the future.

Refer people to our Financial Guidance Service

Cancer can have a significant impact on finances. People often require expert help with complicated issues like insurance, pensions, mortgages and estate planning. Our Financial Guides are here to help people with decisions about their finances.

If you support someone who might benefit from this service please complete our referral form. It includes a checklist to make it easier to identify how we can help.

Download a [referral form and checklist](#) here. If you'd like to promote the service in your workplace, you can order free posters and leaflets from be.macmillan.org.uk. And for further information, email us on financialguidance@macmillan.org.uk

New website for cancer patients in England

Macmillan has proudly partnered with the NHS on a unique website mycancertreatment.nhs.uk. The website helps patients and their healthcare providers make informed decisions about where to be treated in England. It provides detailed assessments and national benchmarking. You can search



and compare most cancer services in England, whether patients are newly diagnosed, seeking reassurance, or looking for a second opinion.

To find out more, view the overview [presentation](#) or [download our leaflets and posters](#).

If you have any feedback or questions, please email [Stefenie Milosz](#) or call 0113 8249 245.



April Learning and Development

Problem Solving in Acute Oncology

Problem Solving in Acute Oncology, edited by Ernie Marshall, Alison Young, Peter Clark and Peter Selby, has been published to strengthen the educational and academic activities and resources in Acute Oncology.

The book focuses on issues around Acute Oncology and the development of associated services. It examines general challenges and then takes a problem solving approach to individual acute clinical cases.

To view sample pages or order a copy, click [here](#). UKONS members can enter the code UKONS2014 to order copies at a reduced price of £25.

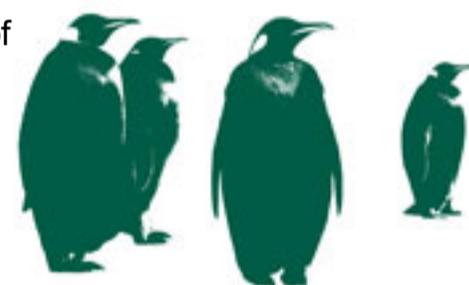
To access the Macmillan learning module on Acute Oncology, visit [Learn Zone](#).

What is Social Care anyway? Workshop on 14 May in Devon

Taking place on 14 May at The Hayridge, Devon, this half-day workshop for Macmillan professionals will equip participants with a greater understanding of what adult social care is, how it works and the social care needs of people affected by cancer.

The workshop will include a practical focus on how the learnings might be transferred back in to practice. To book a place email cswelDAdmin@macmillan.org.uk.

You can also call 01904 756 410.



April Get Involved

Join the Quest to reach out to hidden carers

[Join the Carers Week Quest](#) and [register to hold an event](#) during Carers Week (9–15 June). This year's theme is identifying hidden carers. We're asking you to reach out to people that look after someone with cancer who might say 'I'm just being a husband, partner, daughter or friend...' and therefore aren't accessing the support available to them. Please remind carers that they can call the Macmillan Support Line free on 0808 808 00 00 or visit macmillan.org.uk/carers.

[Join in](#) today and benefit from [free resources and support](#) for Carers Week.



April is Bowel Cancer Awareness month

During April, please help to raise awareness of bowel cancer using copies of our [free information booklets](#). The series includes 'Are you worried about bowel cancer?' and 'Understanding Colon Cancer', [which you can order from be.Macmillan](#).

We also have [downloadable posters](#) that you can edit to promote your awareness-raising events.

Your questions needed for Manchester MCIP launch debate

The Macmillan Cancer Improvement Partnership (MCIP) for Manchester will launch on 26 June at Manchester Town Hall. An expert panel including Sean Duffy, National Clinical Director Cancer NHS England, Ciarán Devane, CEO



Macmillan Cancer Support, people living with cancer and the South Manchester CCG will debate the need and future of cancer care improvement.



If you work in Manchester, please submit written questions and/or register to attend by emailing talkinghealthmanchester@nhs.net.

You can also call 0161 765 4558.

April from the website

New videos in British Sign Language

A new series of information videos on radiotherapy in British Sign Language (BSL) is now available [on the Macmillan website](#). They have been produced specifically for audiences that use BSL. A focus group of deaf people affected by cancer provided feedback during production, with one commenting that they would 'feel confident and positive about treatment if I need to have anything in the future'.

Further videos on chemotherapy and surgery are now in production.

[Contact us](#) for more information or to give your feedback.

Your policy update

Download your copy of the [Policy Update \[PDF, opens in new window\]](#)

Summary of the latest cancer care news

Download the [Macmillan's Horizon \[PDF\]](#) featuring abstracts from news and academic journals on cancer care and treatment.

[Download March's updates \[PDF\]](#)

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