

# Education and training opportunities

**2025 Prospectus**

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# Welcome!

Our education and training offer is free and easy to access on our Learning Hub.

We have a wide variety of learning opportunities to help you develop.

If you haven't signed up to the Learning Hub yet, you can follow the instructions on page 6. The Learning Hub is where you can book onto virtual classrooms, access e-learning and find resources.

This prospectus is regularly updated to include new opportunities, and you can keep an eye out in Mac Mail for additional learning resources that may be added throughout the year.

As always, we look forward to supporting you in continuing your amazing work for people living with cancer.



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Support**

As a health and social care professional, you will know that cancer can affect people in many ways - from impacting health and relationships right through to finances and work. The needs of people living with cancer are ever-changing and as a result, so are the demands placed on you.

Our offer is mapped to the Aspirant Cancer Career and Education Development programme ([ACCEND](#)) to ensure that we remain focused on providing you with the education to meet these needs.



# The Macmillan Learning Hub



Accessing education and training on the Macmillan Learning Hub is easy. Simply create a free account and find a course that suits you.

**Already have a Learning Hub account?**

**Login to the Hub**

If you are a health and social care professional, you can register for the Learning Hub, and we will create your account for you.

**Not yet registered for the Learning Hub?**

**Register for an account**

# Choosing the right level

All of our opportunities have been given an education level. These levels are:

**Expert Level** – Applies to certain roles or functions that require more clinical expertise with a greater depth of skills and knowledge.

**Enhanced Level** – This applies to certain roles or functions that require more clinical expertise and builds upon the essential level for those professionals wishing to develop their existing skills and knowledge further.

**Essential Level** – Covers core competencies, skills and knowledge relevant for all the workforce.

**All** – There are some learning opportunities and learning resources that are suitable for everyone, regardless of role and experience.



# Aspirant Cancer Career and Education Development (ACCEND)

The Aspirant Cancer Career and Education Development (ACCEND) Programme provides guidance on the skills, knowledge and capabilities required to care for people with a diagnosis of cancer. The ACCEND framework consists of a Core Cancer Capabilities in Practice (CiP) and education framework to support access to the education and training needed for individual roles. You can learn more about the ACCEND framework, access guidance for its implementation on the [NHSE website](#).

To support health and social care professionals who are using the ACCEND framework, or are interested in doing so, the Macmillan learning offer has been mapped against the capabilities outlined in the ACCEND framework. Anyone wanting to understand how the Macmillan learning offer can support their development in the ACCEND capabilities can do so by visiting the ACCEND page on the Macmillan learning hub [here](#)



# Education and training opportunities

Our education and training is grouped into six education and development themes.

We also use the Aspirant Cancer Career and Education Development ([ACCEND](#)) Programme which provides guidance on the skills, knowledge and capabilities required to care for people with a diagnosis of cancer.

**Cancer  
information  
and support**

**Psychological  
care and  
communication  
skills**

**Leadership  
and  
professional  
development**

**Palliative  
and end of  
life care**

**Personalised  
care and  
support  
planning**

**Primary,  
community  
and social  
care**



# The Cancer Professionals Podcast

The Cancer Professionals Podcast is brought to you by Macmillan's Professional Development and Knowledge Team. We interview a range of expert guests, including health and social care professionals, to lift the lid on current issues the cancer workforce faces. Expect to hear discussions of clinical practice, personal experiences and practical advice to help improve your knowledge and skills in supporting people affected by cancer. New episodes are released on the first Wednesday of each month.

Listen to the podcast [here](#), or search 'The Cancer Professionals' on your preferred streaming platform.

## Menopause and cancer: What we need to talk about



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### Latest episode- Menopause and cancer: What we need to talk about.

In our most recent episode, we delve into the often-overlooked topic of menopause and its implications for people living with cancer. The discussion features insights from Dani Binnington, founder of Menopause and Cancer, and Professor Richard Simcock, Chief Medical Officer at Macmillan and Consultant Clinical Oncologist, who highlights the complexities of menopause as a result of cancer treatments. They explore the emotional and physical challenges faced by women, the importance of awareness and education, and the role of healthcare professionals in providing support.

### Recent episodes

|                                                        |                |
|--------------------------------------------------------|----------------|
| From helpline to lifeline: The power of acute oncology | September 2025 |
| Revolutionising cancer care: Macmillan's new strategy  | August 2025    |
| Workforce wellbeing with Frontline19                   | July 2025      |



# Cancer Information and Support

The first theme of Cancer Information and Support captures the need for Continuous Professional Development (CPD) in respect of emerging cancer treatments and therapies, as well as how we can support each other and ourselves in such a rapidly changing environment.



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Delivery  
**e-learning**

| Name                                                      | Level     | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
|-----------------------------------------------------------|-----------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Level 1 Acute Oncology with Competence Passport           | Essential | This module will develop your knowledge to support individuals facing challenges due to cancer or its treatment. It is aligned to the national acute oncology competency passports and equips learners with Level 1 (core) knowledge. It's suitable for staff in primary or secondary care who contact, assess or treat people living with cancer. |
| Nutrition in Acute Oncology                               | Enhanced  | The nutritional needs of people living with cancer can be complex. This module explores nutrition issues and advice specific to acute oncology and in the management and treatment of cancer.                                                                                                                                                      |
| Introduction to External Beam Radiotherapy                | Essential | Explores what external beam radiotherapy treatment is, the sort of appointments a patient might require, and what someone having radiotherapy might expect during and after treatment.                                                                                                                                                             |
| Developing Cultural Competence in Cancer Care and Support | Essential | Explores how culture can shape beliefs and attitudes around cancer, and how to communicate with and support patients from diverse cultural backgrounds.                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| Improving care for LGBTQ+ people living with cancer       | Essential | Designed to help you reduce inequalities in cancer care for LGBTQ+ (lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer or questioning) communities.                                                                                                                                                                                                        |

**To access, search for e-learning name and filter for course and learning plan on the Learning Hub.**

# Prehabilitation and rehabilitation for people living with cancer

Level  
**Expert**

Delivery  
**Blended**

To book, search for  
virtual classroom name  
and filter for events on  
the Learning Hub.

## **Description:**

This Prehabilitation and rehabilitation for people living with cancer module is delivered in partnership with Macmillan and Sheffield Hallam University. The aim of this module is to develop specialist knowledge and skills to implement prehabilitation and rehabilitation interventions across the pathway to help patients living with cancer manage side effects from cancer treatments.

This module will start in Spring 2024, with dates and application times to be released. To find out more about this module, please visit the [Prehabilitation and rehabilitation for people living with cancer](#) course page on the Sheffield Hallam University website.

## Supported self-management

### Helping Overcome Problems Effectively (HOPE)

To book, search for virtual classroom name and filter for events on the Learning Hub.



## Cancer Information and Support

### HOPE

Helping Overcome Problems Effectively (HOPE) is a facilitated self-management programme for people living with cancer. Macmillan helps healthcare organisations to directly deliver the HOPE programme to people living with cancer by:

- Providing an information session to those organisations and staff interested in finding out more about HOPE
- Supporting the organisation to set up a HOPE programme
- Training their staff to be HOPE facilitators and assessors
- Providing regular updates and advice to staff.

The HOPE programme is delivered by healthcare professionals and volunteers across different time scales ranging from a six week programme (a two hour session every week) to a half day programme. The course is based on positive psychology, mindfulness and cognitive behavioral therapy.

The Online HOPE programme is a group 6 week self-management course, delivered by the professional development and knowledge team. You can signpost people with cancer directly to the information page ([Online HOPE Programme – Help Overcoming Problems Effectively online](#)) where they can find out more and register for the Online HOPE programme.

# HOPE Facilitator training

Level  
**Essential**

Delivery  
**Virtual Classroom**

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**Cancer Information and Support**

## Description:

HOPE enables people and carers living with cancer to lead more fulfilled lives with and beyond cancer, to gain confidence in their ability to self-manage, and live their lives as well as possible.

Macmillan supports partner organisations to become HOPE centres and to train their health care professionals and volunteers to become facilitators, and to deliver HOPE courses directly to people living with cancer nationwide.

All the information you need to find out how to become a HOPE centre or facilitator can be found on the open [HOPE community](#).

**Step 1:** Read the [HOPE Information and commitment](#) pages. If you have further questions, sign up for the HOPE information session to find out more about how the HOPE programme may benefit your patients.

**Step 2:** Sign up for the HOPE Facilitator training. Designed to equip you with the skills and knowledge to successfully facilitate the HOPE course to patients, it will lead you towards full HOPE Facilitator accreditation, following an assessment in practice.

**Future steps:** Established HOPE Facilitators can undertake further training to become HOPE Assessors to enable them to carry out HOPE assessments for accreditation of new HOPE facilitators and re-validate existing HOPE facilitators.

| Session   | Date            | Time         |
|-----------|-----------------|--------------|
| Session 1 | 13 January 2026 | 9:30 – 13:00 |
| Session 2 | 20 January 2026 | 9:30 – 13:00 |
| Session 3 | 27 January 2026 | 9:30 – 13:00 |

# HOPE Facilitator training

Level  
**Essential**

Delivery  
**Virtual Classroom**

To book, search for virtual classroom name and filter for events on the Learning Hub.



**Cancer Information and Support**

| Session   | Date             | Time         |
|-----------|------------------|--------------|
| Session 1 | 04 February 2026 | 9:30 – 13:00 |
| Session 2 | 11 February 2026 | 9:30 – 13:00 |
| Session 3 | 18 February 2026 | 9:30 – 13:00 |

# Genomics and cancer

Level  
**Essential and Enhanced**

Delivery  
**Blended**

To book, search for virtual classroom name and filter for events on the Learning Hub.

## Cancer Information and Support

### Description:

Advances in genomics are transforming healthcare. But what does this mean for cancer care? Visit the [Genomics and cancer](#) topic on the Learning Hub to access e-learning modules, webinars and resources to learn more about genomics and its impact on the prevention, diagnosis and treatment of cancer. You will find:

- An introduction to genomics from Victoria Cuthill, Nurse Consultant at St Mark's Centre for Familial Intestinal Cancer
- A factsheet that defines key terms and phrases used in genomics in cancer care
- Genomics and personalised medicine clinical updates – a series of on-demand webinars exploring the application of genomics in colorectal cancer, breast cancer, non-small cell lung cancer and melanoma.
- Access to Genomics 101 e-learning (hosted on e-learning for Health)



# Psychological care and communication skills

Effective compassionate communication can help people living with cancer to better understand their situation. At Macmillan, we are offering a range of communication skills and psychological wellbeing learning programmes to support your ongoing development.



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e-learning name and filter  
for course and learning  
plan on the Learning Hub.

| Name                                                      | Level     | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
|-----------------------------------------------------------|-----------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| The spirit of motivational interviewing in cancer support | Essential | Provides an overview of Motivational Interviewing (MI) and how it can be used to have supportive and non-judgemental conversations with people about change. It can provide a useful basis from which to support people to better self-manage their condition                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| Essential level communication skills                      | Essential | <p>This e-learning course is an introduction to communication skills. It is designed to increase your knowledge, skills and confidence when supporting and communicating with people living with cancer. It builds an essential level understanding of key terms and techniques used in communication.</p> <p>It is made up of several bite sized modules focusing on a range of communication topics, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cues</li> <li>• Active listening</li> <li>• Blocking behaviours</li> <li>• Managing difficult conversations</li> </ul> <p>We recommend you complete this course before booking onto any of our enhanced communication skills courses.</p> |

To access, search for  
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for course and learning  
plan on the Learning Hub.

| Name                                                | Level     | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
|-----------------------------------------------------|-----------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Introduction to Emotional Health and Wellbeing      | Essential | Considers why emotional health and wellbeing is important and explores useful strategies to help improve your skills.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| Psychological Support Skills to Enhance Cancer Care | Enhanced  | Overview of working with psychological distress in clinical practice, to support the person living with cancer. Exploring depression, anxiety, panic attacks, suicidal ideation, and safeguarding. Considers assessment tools and strategies to help modify behaviours to promote better mental health and wellbeing, including self-care for the healthcare professionals. |
| Help for the Helpers                                | Essential | This e-learning module has been designed to support all professionals in understanding what neuroscience is teaching about the long-term impact of helping others and how you can sustainably protect yourself from vicarious traumatisation.                                                                                                                               |

# Motivational Interviewing in Cancer Support

Level  
**Enhanced**

Delivery  
**Virtual Classroom**

To book, search for  
virtual classroom name  
and filter for events on  
the Learning Hub.

**Psychological care and  
communication skills**

## **Description:**

These virtual classroom events focus on having supportive conversations with people in the spirit and style of motivational interviewing, within cancer care. This course will help you plan and implement supportive interventions if you:

- Support people with changes after treatment
- Help people engage in screening programmes
- Have conversations with people about cancer prevention and behaviour change

| Dates       |               |
|-------------|---------------|
| 6 November  | 09:30 – 13:00 |
| 12 December | 09:30 – 13:00 |

## SAGE & THYME

Level  
**Essential**

Delivery  
**Virtual Classroom**

To book, search for  
virtual classroom name  
and filter for events on  
the Learning Hub.

### Description:

The SAGE & THYME online workshop reminds staff how to listen and how to respond in a way which empowers the patient. It discourages staff from "fixing" and demonstrates how to work with the patient's own ideas first. You will learn evidence-based communication skills to provide person-centered support to someone with emotional concerns using the SAGE & THYME structure.

The SAGE & THYME structure is suitable for talking to anyone: patients and carers, students, colleagues and children - inside and outside of health care. The session will teach you how to use a structured approach to getting into and out of a conversation with someone who is upset or has concerns, whilst providing basic psychological support. The workshop uses a mix of small group work and films for the teaching.

### Dates

|             |               |
|-------------|---------------|
| 13 October  | 09:30 – 12:30 |
| 18 November | 09:30 – 12:30 |
| 09 December | 09:30 – 12:30 |

# Skills for all conversations

Level  
**Enhanced**

Delivery  
**Virtual Classroom**

To book, search for virtual classroom name and filter for events on the Learning Hub.

## Psychological care and communication skills

### Description:

This virtual classroom forms part of the 'Effective communication in cancer care' programme. The session aims to embed and combine the skills you have learned in the programme and plan how you will embed those skills into your current practice.

### Recommended pre-course learning:

We strongly recommend completing the learning courses listed below as close as possible to the session date, as this will enhance your experience. Each of these will take approximately 30 minutes to complete.

- Skills for all conversations
- Removing, reducing or coping with communications noise and interference
- Giving and gathering information, and shared decision making

### Dates

|             |               |
|-------------|---------------|
| 22 October  | 09:30 – 13:00 |
| 18 November | 09:30 – 13:00 |



# Leadership and Professional Development

Change is becoming a constant in this busy world and we may all have numerous concurrent changes happening, either organisationally or personally. For some of us change can be difficult to navigate or lead others through. Whether you are going through change, managing projects well or fine-tuning how you lead your team, our leadership and professional development learning offers modules and activities that will provide you with the skills, knowledge and confidence you need to succeed.



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| Name                               | Level     | Description                                                                                                                                              |
|------------------------------------|-----------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Introduction to project management | Essential | Provides an overview of the project management life cycle. It explores the skills, knowledge and techniques required to successfully complete a project. |

To access, search for e-learning name and filter for course and learning plan on the Learning Hub.

## Essential Explore

## Enhanced Explore

## Explore for Primary Care

To access, search for e-learning name and filter for course and learning plan on the Learning Hub.

### Leadership and Professional Development

#### Description:

Explore is a programme for professionals who wish to develop their career in cancer and enhance their professional skills and confidence when working with people living with cancer.

This is a blended programme that incorporates e-learning and self-directed study with mentor support, with the option of attending virtual sessions to enhance and consolidate learning.

| Name                     | Level     | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
|--------------------------|-----------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Essential Explore        | Essential | Aimed at the cancer workforce where you may be beginning to ExPLORE cancer care. This self-led programme may benefit people in roles that include Health Care Assistants, Support Workers, Cancer Navigators and Volunteers.                                                                                  |
| Enhanced Explore         | Enhanced  | Aimed at Nurses, Allied Health Professionals, Social Care Practitioners, Pharmacists and Assistant Practitioners who are looking to enhance their knowledge and understanding of cancer care. A recommendation for this programme is to have a local mentor to support learning and application of knowledge. |
| Explore for Primary Care | Enhanced  | Aimed at Professionals working in a Primary Care setting who are looking to increase their knowledge and skills in cancer care. This programme also comes with the recommendation of having a local mentor to support learners through the content.                                                           |

[Register for the Explore course](#) on the Learning Hub.

# Evidencing Work-Based Learning

Level  
**Expert**

Delivery  
**Blended**

To book, search for virtual classroom name and filter for events on the Learning Hub.

## Leadership and Professional Development

### Description:

The Macmillan Evidencing Work-Based Learning (EWBL) module is run in partnership with the University of West of England (UWE). It offers a fantastic opportunity for Macmillan professionals (with limited honorary places for non-Macmillan healthcare professionals) to undertake a fully funded 30-credit academic module at Degree or Masters level.

The EWBL module supports you to navigate the complexities of implementing a service development project in your own place of work whilst developing you as a leader in cancer care. It is fully funded by Macmillan Cancer Support, following completion of a course information module and submission of an application telling us how your project supports Macmillan's key objectives.

The module consists of 5 virtual study days (one per month) which are a mixture of facilitated sessions and action learning sets. You will be supported by the tutors to complete and submit a learning contract and complete UWE/NHS Ethics approval as needed. The next EWBL cohort will begin in **October 2025**.

### Dates

**TBC**

As part of the application process, we ask that any interested applicants complete a short information module to enable you to decide if the EWBL module is right for you. Select [here](#) to access the EWBL information module on the Macmillan Learning Hub or contact [ServiceOpsSupport@macmillan.org.uk](mailto:ServiceOpsSupport@macmillan.org.uk) to register your interest.



# Palliative and End of Life Care

People with life-limiting conditions such as cancer should have early access to palliative and end of life care services regardless of their gender, age, social status or location. In order to achieve this goal, professionals and volunteers require ongoing support and training to have the confidence and skills to provide effective palliative care.

In the United Kingdom, more than half a million people die each year and many have a prognosis of less than 12 months. A person who is offered and engages in Advance Care Planning (ACP) is more likely to die in their place of choosing. They are also less likely to have emergency hospital admissions in the final months of their life and more likely to have their wishes fulfilled.



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## Delivery e-learning

To access, search for e-learning name and filter for course and learning plan on the Learning Hub.

| Name                                        | Level     | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
|---------------------------------------------|-----------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Advance Care Planning (ACP)                 | All       | <p>This course raises professional awareness about the benefits of advance care planning (ACP). It encourages you to think about how you can support advance care planning within your role.</p> <p>It will help you to understand that ACP isn't only relevant to palliative and end of life care but something for all cancer care professionals.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| Introduction to loss, grief and bereavement | Essential | <p>This essential level e-learning course provides an introduction to loss, grief and bereavement.</p> <p>You will explore examples of loss, learn about the complexity of grief and gain essential knowledge and skills to support people who have experienced a bereavement.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| Essential Palliative and end of life care   | Essential | <p>This e-learning aims to increase the confidence of professionals who support people with PEOLC needs by increasing their understanding and awareness.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. What is Palliative and End of Life Care – learn about the terminology that is used and the principles of care. Reflect on the value of your role and skills you will need.</li> <li>2. Pain and symptom management – an introduction to the assessment and management of pain and other common symptoms in PEOLC.</li> <li>3. Care of the dying person – explore how to identify when someone is in last weeks, hours or days of life and the principles of care at this time.</li> </ol> |

# Enhanced Palliative and End of Life Care Learning and Development Toolkit

Delivery  
**e-learning**

To access, search for e-learning name and filter for course and learning plan on the Learning Hub.

## Palliative and End of Life Care

### Description:

Macmillan's Enhanced Palliative and End of Life Care Learning and Development Toolkit contains a wide range of interactive, online modules and resources to enhance your knowledge and skills in palliative and end of life care. The toolkit is aimed at health and social care professionals who regularly assess, manage and influence decision-making for people with life-limiting illness. Topics include:

- The assessment and management of pain and other common end of life symptoms
- Communication in palliative and end of life care
- The assessment and management of common symptoms
- Palliative care emergencies
- Person-centred care and end of life
- Understanding and enriching agency in palliative and end of life

# Understanding and enriching agency in palliative and end of life care

Level  
**Enhanced**

Delivery  
**e-learning**

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e-learning name and filter  
for course and learning  
plan on the Learning Hub

## Palliative and End of Life Care

### Description:

Life-limiting illness often disrupts a person's ability to succeed and thrive in the areas of life which are most important to them. In recognising this, we recognise that life-limiting illness often disrupts a person's 'agency'.

Developed in collaboration with researchers from the University of Glasgow, this new e-learning module explores the concept of 'agency' and the important role that agency plays in understanding suffering in palliative and end of life care. You will learn how to identify causes and forms of suffering and discover practical ways to enrich agency and alleviate suffering for the people you support.



# Personalised Care and Support Planning

Survival rates for people diagnosed with cancer have vastly improved thanks to the advances in diagnosis and treatment. Therefore, many people are now living with cancer as a long term condition. Personalised care and support planning allows you to offer the best support for people living with cancer. This theme includes a range of modules to help you improve your skill and knowledge in this area.



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on the Learning Hub.**

| Name                                                          | Level     | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
|---------------------------------------------------------------|-----------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 'What matters to me?'                                         | Essential | Explores the need for person-centred conversations with people you are providing care and support to.<br>Aims to establish what matters most to them so that personalised care and support needs can be identified.                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| Treatment Summaries                                           | Enhanced  | Explains the importance of treatment summaries as part of personalised care for people living with cancer.<br>It will outline indicative treatment summary content by providing best practice examples and demonstrate the their benefits.                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| Understanding personalised care for people living with cancer | Essential | Highlights the importance of personalised care and support planning (PCSP) for people living with cancer.<br>This looks at the key elements of PCSP which include the benefits of personalised cancer care, the importance of supportive conversations, an introduction to Holistic Needs Assessments, cancer care reviews, treatment summaries and the role of information and support.                                               |
| Personalised care planning for people living with cancer      | Essential | Provides guidance on conducting care and support planning consultations and completing care plans following the completion of holistic needs assessments (HNA) by people with cancer. This learning package was co-designed and developed with the Innovative co-Design and Evaluation of care Plan Training and education for Holistic needs (or InDEPTH) Advisory Group and InDEPTH workshop participants, led by Dr Verna Lavender. |

# Macmillan eHNA - Digital Community

Delivery  
**Virtual**

To access, search for the  
community name and  
filter for community on  
the Learning Hub.

## Personalised Care and Support Planning

### Description:

This community will provide a central space for Macmillan electronic Holistic Needs Assessment (eHNA) materials at enhanced and expert levels to support our webinars, network with others using the tools and resources and give users the opportunity to learn and share.

The community is aimed at a multi professional audience undertaking Macmillan's eHNA's or supporting colleagues to do so.

# Supporting Cancer Care Programme

Level  
**Essential/  
Enhanced**

Delivery  
**Blended**

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## Personalised Care and Support Planning

### Description:

This programme is designed for learners who want to increase their knowledge and understanding of supporting people with cancer. The SCCP is suitable for the wider healthcare workforce, volunteers, people living with cancer working in a supportive role, and health and social care professionals who may be new to working in a cancer environment. There is a requirement that each participant can undertake around ten hours per month in a work based environment supporting people affected by cancer.

The SCCP takes 3 months to complete. There are 4 modules, each of which takes approximately 4 hours of e-learning and 5 virtual classrooms (3.5 hours per classroom). Participants are encouraged to reflect on their e-learning and discuss how they have applied their learning in practice when supporting people with cancer.

The Modules are: **Introduction to Cancer and its Treatments; Personalised Care and Support Planning, Effective Communication Palliative and End of Life Care.**

you must be able to attend each virtual classroom in order to complete the programme. To register your interest please email

[serviceopssupport@macmillan.org.uk](mailto:serviceopssupport@macmillan.org.uk)

### Dates

|                  |               |
|------------------|---------------|
| 15 January 2026  | 09:30 – 13:00 |
| 05 February 2026 | 09:30 – 13:00 |
| 26 February 2026 | 09:30 – 13:00 |
| 19 March 2026    | 09:30 – 13:00 |
| 09 April 2026    | 09:30 – 13:00 |



# Primary, Community and Social Care

Primary, Community and Social Care professionals provide valuable care in or close to people's homes. Their expert skills and knowledge enable them to support people to manage their long term conditions and maximise their independence. Cancer is increasingly recognised as a long term condition. This theme includes a range of modules to help you expand your knowledge, skills and resources to help you support people living with cancer as a long term condition.



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| Name                                                                                                                           | Level     | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Social prescribing<br>Module 1<br>– understanding<br>the needs of<br>people living with<br>cancer                              | Essential | These two modules introduce how Social Prescribing can play a huge role in improving the experiences of people living with cancer, highlighting that many of the issues they face are similar to other long term conditions. |
| Social prescribing<br>Module 2<br>– practical steps<br>you can take in<br>providing support<br>to people living<br>with cancer | Essential |                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| Cancer care<br>reviews                                                                                                         | Enhanced  | Provides professionals with the knowledge to support them to complete a cancer care review which reflects what matters most to individuals affected by cancer.                                                               |
| Explore for<br>primary care                                                                                                    | Enhanced  | Macmillan EXPLORE is a programme for professionals who wish to develop their career in cancer and enhance their professional skills and confidence when working with people living with cancer.                              |

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e-learning name and filter  
for course & learning plan  
on the Learning Hub.**

# Community Pharmacy

Level  
**Essential**

Delivery  
**e-learning**

To access, search for e-learning name and filter for course & learning plan on the Learning Hub.

## Primary, Community and Social Care

### Description:

This will build the confidence and knowledge of Community Pharmacists in recognising the signs and symptoms of cancer as well as being able to provide effective support to People Living with Cancer.

It is aimed at all Community Pharmacists including those employed directly by Primary Care who provide structured medication reviews, manage long term conditions, management of medicines on transfer of care while addressing both the public health and social care needs of patients in the community and GP practices.

By the end, participants should be able to:

1. Understand the importance of early diagnosis and recognise serious signs and symptoms that may be identified during a consultation relating to other conditions
2. Identify ways to support customers affected by cancer taking into account their individual needs and circumstances
3. Demonstrate an ability to proactively signpost customers to relevant information about cancer support

## Social care community

Level  
**Essential**

Delivery  
**Blended**

To book, search for virtual classroom name and filter for events on the Learning Hub.

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### Description:

If you work in adult social care, Macmillan's Social care community on the Learning Hub is the go-to place for free education and training on cancer care.

There are over 20 on-demand e-learning courses, bitesize resources, and virtual classrooms to develop your knowledge and skills in supporting people affected by cancer. This community is for all staff working in adult social care who want to improve their understanding of cancer and skills in supporting people affected by cancer. This includes staff working in residential care, nursing homes, home care, sheltered accommodation, assisted living and day centres.

In the community, you'll find the following topics:

- Cancer awareness
- Cancer and other conditions
- Communication skills
- Personalised care
- Palliative and end of life care.

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