The Macmillan Cancer Partnership in Nottinghamshire is working to improve local cancer services and address the growing number of people surviving and living with and beyond a cancer diagnosis.

There are 14 individual projects, all focussed on the development of services in cancer survivorship across Nottinghamshire. Some of these work programmes are large, complex redesigning the system (RTS) programmes, whilst others are smaller shorter-term projects and pilots. The projects are all developing and testing out new ways of providing help and support for people affected by cancer.

The ‘Macmillan Cancer Partnership’ programme aims to:

- Co-ordinate and integrate all service development activity
- Learn and share from each other
- Develop expertise and knowledge around the Living With and Beyond Cancer agenda
- Develop local capability and capacity to deliver the challenges of cancer survivorship

The partners will be working with patients and carers to ensure services across the county are more joined up and integrated so that people receive the right support at the right time to enable them to live as long and healthy a life as possible.

The Macmillan Cancer Partnership is comprised of:

- Nottingham City CCG
- Newark and Sherwood CCG
- Mansfield and Ashfield CCG
- Nottingham University Hospitals NHS Trust
- Sherwood Forest Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust
- Self Help Nottingham
- Notts County FC Football in the Community
- Nottingham CityCare

On the 10th June the partnership held its first patient event where people affected by cancer came together to share their views and experiences of current cancer services in Nottinghamshire to help shape the partnership’s work.
Cancer Pathways Redesign Programme
Project Manager: Lisa Janiec
Partners: Macmillan, Nottingham University Hospitals NHS Trust, CCGs and Sherwood Forest Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust
Implementing the recovery package and redesigning cancer care follow up pathways in breast, colorectal, gynaecology, lung, upper GI and urology cancers to improve patient outcomes.

Mid Nottinghamshire Cancer Services Redesign Programme
Project Manager: Julia King
Partners: Macmillan and Mid Notts Better Together
Transformation Programme
Recognising cancer as a long term condition and ensuring that support for patients continues when active treatment ends through community and primary care services and supported self-care.

Macmillan Beyond Diagnosis Project
Project Manager: James Wheat
Partners: Macmillan and Self Help Nottingham
The project gives people affected by cancer and carers living in Nottingham City, Mansfield and Ashfield access to a befriending and one-to-one practical support service run by volunteers.

Acute Oncology Service
Project Managers: Stephanie Day and Lara Hardy
Partners: Macmillan, Nottingham University Hospitals NHS Trust and Sherwood Forest Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust
The service aims to reduce the number of unnecessary cancer emergency admissions in Nottinghamshire, through staff education and study days. The team also operate a support line to advise patients experiencing problems whether they should go to A&E or if they can be treated in the community.

Children’s, Teenagers and Young Adults Late Effects Service
Project Managers: Nicky Webb and Laura Cutler
Partners: Macmillan and Nottingham University Hospitals NHS Trust
The project focuses on implementing survivorship principles at the end of treatment for young adults, teenagers and children living in Nottinghamshire to improve their life chances and tackle the long term consequences of cancer on areas such as fertility and education.

Electronic Health Needs Assessments (eHNA) Pilot Projects
Project Manager: Ellie Robinson and Carolyn Bennett
Partners: Macmillan, Nottingham University Hospitals NHS Trust and Sherwood Forest Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust
The project aims to implement eHNAs across NUH and SFHFT so they are undertaken routinely for every patient at key points such as diagnosis, completion of treatment and end of life.

Macmillan CARE Programme (Cancer and Rehabilitation Exercise)
Project Manager: Emma Trent
Partners: Macmillan and Notts County FC Football in the Community
Exercise programme for patients who have finished treatment to help them stay active and healthy, cope with the side effects of treatment and reduce the chances of reoccurrence.

Radiotherapy Late Effects Service
Project Manager: Judy Christian
Partners: Macmillan and NUH
The project supports people who received Radiotherapy at NUH with late effects.

Early Diagnosis Project
Project Manager: Jon Stevens
Partners: Macmillan, Nottingham City CCG and Self Help Nottingham
The project aims to increase uptake of bowel screening across Nottingham City for people aged 60 – 74 through awareness raising, training days with GPs, nurses and health professionals.

Macmillan CityCare Cancer Service
Project Manager: Helen Coxon
Partners: Macmillan and Nottingham CityCare
This new CityCare cancer service will work alongside the existing Macmillan specialist cancer and palliative care service, to look after the long term health and well-being needs of people who have cancer or are affected by cancer out in the community.

Boots Supporting People Affected by Cancer
volunteering service
Project Manager: Clarita Pymrn
Partners: Macmillan and Boots
Boots volunteers offer befriending and practical support in the home to people affected by cancer and carers after treatment or at end of life.

SCOPES Oncology Project
Project Manager: Heather McCormack
Partners: Macmillan and NUH
Scopes is a pilot project for people aged over 70 who are affected by upper GI cancer. The multi-disciplinary team ensures the patient is in the best possible health before their treatment starts to improve recovery chances so they can live a better quality of life after treatment.

For more information about the Macmillan Cancer Partnership in Nottinghamshire
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