

## BREAST CANCER NOW'S SERVICE PLEDGE

Improving breast cancer services for you





## WHAT'S BREAST CANCER NOW'S SERVICE PLEDGE?

Breast Cancer Now is the research and support charity. We're always working to improve treatment, care and services for anyone affected by breast cancer.

Our Service Pledge is dedicated to improving breast cancer services.

We help hospitals to gather feedback from patients and staff on their breast care services. Then together with patients and staff we come up with a plan to act on that feedback and create positive change.



## THE SERVICE PLEDGE AT CHESTERFIELD ROYAL HOSPITAL NHS FOUNDATION TRUST

To find out what was important to patients at Chesterfield Royal Hospital NHS Foundation Trust, we carried out surveys and focus groups to hear what you had to say.

Then we worked together with patient representatives and members of the Chesterfield Royal Hospital NHS Foundation Trust breast cancer team to create goals based on this feedback.

Now, Chesterfield Royal Hospital NHS Foundation Trust is taking action.

Here's the feedback from patients and the changes that Chesterfield Royal Hospital NHS Foundation Trust is making:

YOUR FEEDBACK	ACTION PLAN	PROGRESS
Patients didn't always feel they were offered enough support during diagnosis and treatment.	Create a leaflet for newly diagnosed people on how to access support and information that is specific to Chesterfield Royal Hospital.	January 2024
	A clinical nurse specialist will call all newly diagnosed patients to discuss support needs and offer an Electronic Holistic Needs Assessment (HNA).	Achieved
	All current patients affected by secondary breast cancer will be contacted and offered an EHNA.	Achieved
	Develop a bespoke support group for secondary breast cancer patients so that they can access peer support	Achieved
	Offer referral to patients to Here for You Breast Cancer Now's service for people newly diagnosed with breast cancer.	Achieved
Some patients, especially secondary breast cancer patients, didn't feel they had access to a clinical nurse specialist.	Recruit new members to the breast care team to better support all patients.	Achieved
	Trial having 2 dedicated secondary clinical nurse specialists to support patients affected by secondary breast cancer.	Achieved
	Review if extra support is required for the breast care team in answering the high number of patient calls.	December 2023
Patients sometimes felt they didn't have enough information about: - Waiting times on the day of surgery - How they might look after surgery - Who to contact out of hours	All patients will be given information about waiting times on the morning of their surgery	Achieved
	Give up-to-date photo resources and information of different surgical options and their outcomes so patients can make informed decisions.	October 2023
	Give clear information on who to contact if patients have issues out-of-hours.	Achieved

YOUR FEEDBACK	ACTION PLAN	PROGRESS
Primary breast cancer patients finishing treatment didn't always know the signs and symptoms of secondary breast cancer.	Give clearer information on the signs and symptoms of breast cancer returning or spreading. Make sure patients know who to contact if they have any worries.	Achieved
Primary breast cancer patients didn't always feel confident in the next steps at the end of treatment.	Update website so all patients are aware of open access to the service, and how to get in touch with any concerns in the future.	January 2024
	Refer patients to Moving Forward, Breast Cancer Now's course for people treatment for primary breast cancer.	Achieved
Secondary breast cancer patients didn't feel they were given enough support for the future.	Apply for funding to recruit a lead breast clinical nurse specialist for the secondary breast cancer service.	Achieved
	Make better links with the local hospice and make sure patients know how to access their support and services.	Achieved





## DO YOU HAVE QUESTIONS OR FEEDBACK?

If you need support or information about breast cancer, give us a call on **0808 800 6000**, or visit breastcancernow.org.

**Macmillan Information and Support Centre:** crhft.macmillaninfo@nhs.net 01246 516406 Download the App direct from the App store or Google play by searching for CMISC.

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