



Macmillan Integrated Specialist Palliative Care Team

What is Specialist Palliative Care?

Defined as the active total care of patients with progressive, advanced disease and their families who have complex needs.¹

Who are we?

- A highly trained and experienced team of Specialist Palliative Care Nurses and Allied Health Professionals supported by an Administrative Team.
- Employed by Wirral Community NHS Foundation Trust.
- Provide Specialist Palliative Care advisory and support service, 7 days, 9.00am - 5.00pm, over 365 days. Across the community setting and an in-reach service into WUTH.
- Collaboratively work with other Health Care Professionals across health care settings.
- Education and training in Palliative Care / End of Life Care.

When to refer

- Patients have a palliative diagnosis and associated complex needs that cannot be met by the team delivering care.
- Healthcare professional requires support/advice of the ISPCT.
- Patient has consented to a referral to ISPCT.

What happens next?

Interventions from ISPCT are:

Level 1: Timely advice / support. Signpost to another service.

Level 2: Face to face assessment. Single visit.

Level 3: Short term intervention with specific complex problems.

Level 4: On-going multiple assessment for complex problems.

Discharge when complex problems are controlled/addressed.



How can we be contacted?

Monday to Friday 9.00am - 5.00pm Tel: 0151 328 0481

Weekend and Bank Holidays

9.00am - 5.00pm Tel: 07825226724 (professionals only)

PAIL LINE 5.00pm - 9.00am

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References: 1. Tebbit, National Council for Palliative Care, 1999.

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