







Belfast Trust Cancer Support

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Service Update

Although the Macmillan Support and Information Centre is closed we are still offering support by phone or via virtual consulations.

Information & Support Appointments

We are offering online or telephone appointments for

- Information and Support
- Work Support Conversations

Complementary Therapy

The team are providing;

• Online and telephone appointments to inpatients and outpatients

Appointments can be arranged by contacting the Centre on 028 961 50077 or email cancer.info@belfasttrust.hscni.net. Staff can refer by the E-referral facility on the Trust Hub.

Counselling

Cancer Focus NI and Belfast Trust are continuing to provide this service online or by telephone.

We accept self-referrals and referrals from healthcare staff. Please contact the Centre on the above contact details to request referral form.

Please note that any referrals received for clients who live outside the Belfast Trust area will be forwarded to the Cancer Focus NI service in their local Trust area.

Wig Fitting Service

This service is offering limited face-to-face appointments in the Centre. Patients can arrange appointments by telephoning 028 961 50077 and selecting option 2.

Macmillan Benefits Advice Service

The Benefits advice team are still working remotely and are providing telephone appointments. If you wish to refer a client to this service, please do so by telephoning 0300 1233 233 and selecting option 1.

Online Classes and Workshops

Friends of the Cancer Centre Class Programme

The class programme (Pilates, Tai Chi, Yoga and dance), Monday to Friday at 9.30am continues on our Facebook page.



New Dance/Movement Facebook Live Class

We are delighted to announce a new dance/movement class with Charmaine to our Facebook Live programme.

Funded by BHSCT Arts in Health this class engages the body and mind in a fun filled way. Join Charmaine on Friday 19 February 2021 at 9.30am.

For more details, please click the link below.

Belfast Trust Cancer Support | Facebook

Friends of the Cancer Centre Pilates Group

We are now registering new participants for our closed 12 week Pilates group starting Monday 1 March 2021 at 6.30pm on Zoom with Fionnuala.

This group is for patients and carers. There are a limited number of places and early registration is advised. Please contact the Centre for details on how to register.

Cancer Related Fatigue Workshop

This four week workshop is for patients experiencing cancer related fatigue. There are still some places available on the February workshop and registration is open for the March workshop, please see below for details.



Self-Care using Aromatherapy Oils Workshop

This hour long workshop is for patients, carers and family members who are interested in finding out how they can use aromatherapy essential oils to support their self-care. Please see below for details.



Stress Management Workshop

This four week workshop is for patients, carers and family members who are interested in finding out how they can understand and manage stress and its' impact on them. Please see below for details.



Service Spotlight



Do you know a man living with cancer?

Look Good Feel Better are offering a Zoom workshop for men on Friday 26 February, 1 pm to 3pm. This will be hosted by men's grooming expert, Mark Sproston, aka the Shave Doctor https://www.shavedoctor.co.uk/

Their Skincare and Grooming Workshops not only offer some great practical expert advice but also provides a safe place for men to connect with other men with a cancer diagnosis.

A special guest speaker, Jack Bell, Derby County Football Club Community Trust, will deliver a short talk on:

- The role and the importance of physical activity.
- How physical activity can reduce the side effects of cancer and treatment.
- Showcase examples and ideas of how you can increase exercise levels.

Jack works closely with Macmillan and is happy to take some questions after the session and go on to provide further support if needed.

To book a place or for more information, email: info@lgfb.co.uk or tel: 07545 551531.





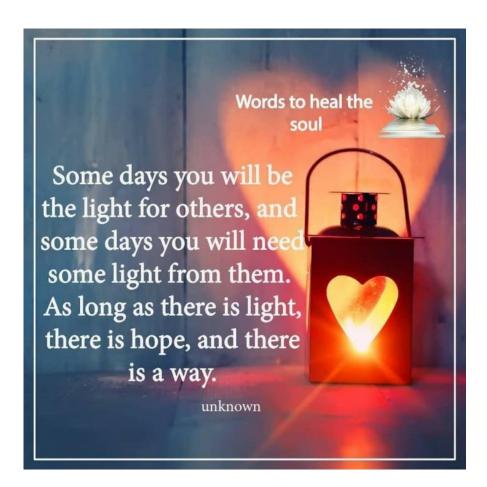
<u>Time to change</u> is a growing social movement that are working to change how we think about mental health problems.

They recently held a Virtual Festival full of fun online activities to get everyone talking about mental health.

Sessions are still available to view online. As well as tips on how to tackle the stigma of mental health by talking, there are cooking, laughter yoga and bollywood dance sessions to name just a few. Check it out on the link below:

Time to Talk Day 2021: Virtual Festival | Time To Change (time-to-change.org.uk)

Thought for the month



NICaN update



NICaN have recently updated their website with the contact details for all the Information and Support Services across Northern Ireland.

In partnership with Information and Support staff they have also developed a promotional video to let people affected by cancer know what information and support is available to them during the Pandemic.

Please follow the link below for more information and to view the video.

Support for Patients | Northern Ireland Cancer Network (hscni.net)

Meet the team

This Month we would like to introduce you to:

Charmaine says, "I use dance and movement to explore our physical and emotional wellbeing and to reconnect with our bodies again. I love how moving your body helps to get out of our thinking mind and just let go and have a bit of fun. It's about having fun and carving out a time for you. Please join me on Facebook live from Friday 19 February 2021 at 9.30am".

Charmaine McMeekin, Dance Artist in Health



How to contact us

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Dial 1 to speak to a support officer

Dial 2 to speak to the wig fitting salon

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E-referrals are still accepted internally through the Belfast Trust Hub.

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