

Cancer Educational Resources for General Practice and Primary Care Nurses

Background



The NHS ambition in the Long -Term Plan is to diagnose 75% of cancers at stage I or II by 2028¹. Earlier diagnosis means cancers are easier to treat and result in better patient outcomes.

There are increasing numbers of people living with cancer in the United Kingdom due to increased survival² and an ageing population. There are 393,000 new cancer diagnosis each year, this is expected to be 500,000 annually by 2040²

The provision of cancer services has changed , with patients discharged after treatment earlier onto stratified or patient initiated follow up services, and those living with cancer or advanced disease have less contact with their specialist team in secondary care . The role of primary care in relation to cancer is therefore changing .

The NHS Long Term Plan³ outlines the introduction of personalised care across the NHS, using the Comprehensive Model for Personalised Care. Interventions that support personalised care for people with cancer include a personalised care and support plan (PCSP) based on a holistic needs assessment (HNA), end of treatment summary (EOTS), health and wellbeing information and support, and a cancer care review (CCR)

People living with and after cancer also frequently have other health concerns such as long-term conditions⁴ , and they generally have poorer health compared to the general population, with increased healthcare resource utilisation.⁵

1. NHS England (2014) Earlier diagnosis. Available : www.england.nhs.uk/cancer/early-diagnosis/
2. Macmillan Cancer Support 2024 [Cancer Statistics Fact Sheet](#)
3. NHS England (2019). The NHS Long Term Plan. Available at: www.longtermplan.nhs.uk/publication/nhs-long-term-plan . NHS Improvement (2019).
4. Koo MM, Swann R, McPhail S, Abel GA, Renzi C, Rubin GP, Lyratzopoulos G. The prevalence of chronic conditions in patients diagnosed with one of 29 common and rarer cancers: A cross-sectional study using primary care data. *Cancer Epidemiol.* 2020 Dec;69:101845. doi: 10.1016/j.canep.2020.101845. Epub 2020 Nov 20. PMID: 33227628; PMCID: PMC7768190.
5. The King's Fund (2022) Non-communicable diseases. Available from: <https://www.kingsfund.org.uk/projects/time-think-differently/trends-disease-and-disability-non-communicable-diseases>

Overview of this resource



- We acknowledge the value and importance of the hugely comprehensive ACCEND programme (The Aspirant Cancer Career and Education Development Framework) and signpost all nurses and support workers to this to continue their cancer education and development.
- The aim of this resource is to pragmatically provide guidance on scope of practice, and the educational resources available to support evidenced-based practice in relation to adults and cancer, for primary and General Practice Nurses.
- We recognise there is a gap in accredited and academic cancer care courses specifically aimed at the workforce providing out of hospital care.
- We acknowledge that these resources are not exhaustive and have aimed to signpost to national and local sources of further information and education.
- For practical purposes we have split resources into prevention and early diagnosis, cancer treatment and management, and living with and beyond cancer.
- We have created a short resource page, dedicated to Palliative and End of life resources. This is not exhaustive, but enables clinicians to review some key resources, and signposts to more comprehensive educational tools.

The importance of earlier diagnosis

Key Messages



The NHS Long term plan target is that : “By 2028, the proportion of cancers diagnosed at stages 1 and 2 will rise from around half to three-quarters of cancer patients”

- General Practice and Community nursing teams must have a greater awareness of cancer prevention, awareness and early diagnosis and supportive measures to deliver comprehensive and holistic care.
- General Practice and Community Nurses have a critical role in identifying the early symptoms of cancer, and they are key advocates in supporting families, communities and the wider NHS health and care systems.

General Practice and Community Nurses and their teams are central to:

- Ensuring patients who meet the threshold for urgent suspect cancer referrals are identified and referred
- Accelerating timely access to diagnostics, treatment and management of cancer care
- Maximizing the number of cancers identified through the national screening programmes by greater education and empowering of the public

<https://www.longtermplan.nhs.uk/areas-of-work/cancer>
[NHS England » NHS Long Term Plan ambitions for cancer](#)

Primary Care and General Practice Core Capabilities Framework

The framework articulates core capabilities necessary for safe and effective care. The capabilities (i.e., skills, knowledge, and behaviours) described in the framework are defined at 3 tiers.

Each tier articulates the minimum and core capability to be expected as opposed to the maximum:

- **Tier 1: Capabilities that require a general understanding and that support provision of primary care/general practice nursing.**
- **Tier 2: Capabilities that enable the provision of care more independently and a degree of critical analysis.**
- **Tier 3: Capabilities that require an ability to provide care autonomously and independently, an ability to lead practice, operating at the cutting edge of innovation.**

More information is available [here](#).

	Support Work Level Practice	Nursing Associate Level/Assistant Level Practice	Registered Nurse level	Registered Nurse: Enhanced Level Practice	Registered Nurse: Advanced Level Practice	Registered Nurse: Consultant Level Practice
Capability 1. Communication and consultation skills	Tier 1	Tier 1	Tier 2	Tier 2	Tier 3	Tier 3
Capability 2. Practising holistically to personalise care and promote public and person health	Tier 1	Tier 1	Tier 2	Tier 2	Tier 3	Tier 3
Capability 3. Working with colleagues and in teams	Tier 1	Tier 1	Tier 2	Tier 2	Tier 3	Tier 3
Capability 4. Maintaining an ethical approach and fitness to practice	Tier 1	Tier 1	Tier 2	Tier 2	Tier 3	Tier 3
Capability 5. Information gathering and interpretation	Tier 1	Tier 1	Tier 2	Tier 2	Tier 3	Tier 3
Capability 6. Clinical examination and procedural skills	Tier 1	Tier 1	Tier 2	Tier 2	Tier 3	Tier 3
Capability 7. Making a diagnosis			Tier 2	Tier 2	Tier 3	Tier 3
Capability 8. Clinical management		Tier 1	Tier 2	Tier 2	Tier 3	Tier 3
Capability 9. Managing medical and clinical complexity		Tier 1	Tier 2	Tier 2	Tier 3	Tier 3
Capability 10. Independent prescribing and pharmacotherapy		Tier 1	Tier 2	Tier 2	Tier 3	Tier 3
Capability 11. Leadership, management and organisation		Tier 1	Tier 2	Tier 2	Tier 3	Tier 3
Capability 12. Education and development		Tier 1	Tier 2	Tier 2	Tier 3	Tier 3
Capability 13. Research and evidence based practice		Tier 1	Tier 2	Tier 2	Tier 3	Tier 3
Capability 14. Strategic Management						Tier 3

Scope of Practice: Early Diagnosis & Prevention



Role Level Descriptor	Tier and Scope of Practice Aligned to Primary Care Core Career and Capabilities Framework	Qualifications, learning and Experience	Skills and Application of Knowledge and Scope of Practice
<p>Health Care Support Worker/Assistant / Cancer Care Coordinator/ Social Prescriber/Health-wellbeing Coach</p>	<p>1</p>	<p>Period supervised practice from GPN/ANP until deemed competent and proficient within scope of practice. <u>Foundations of Cancer Care Elfh programme</u></p> <p>Macmillan Essential Explore</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Key communication and consultation skills discussion around importance of early diagnosis. • Able to support lifestyle, diet psycho- social emotional support as a key public health activity. • Social Prescribing and partnership working across conurbations. • Actively promoting lifestyle change alcohol reduction smoking cessation support, signposting and escalating concerns. • Supports patients, carers and families with health promotion e.g exercise lifestyle importance of good bladder and bowel care, supporting women's and men's specific health requirements.
<p>Nursing Associate</p>	<p>1</p>	<p>Period supervised practice from GPN/ANP until deemed competent and proficient within scope of practice.</p> <p>Foundations of Cancer Care ELFH programme Catalogue</p> <p><u>Macmillan Essential Explore</u></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Can enable health literacy and understanding around prevention and self- care. • Actively promoting cancer screening : bowel, breast, cervical, and lung health checks. Good understanding of call and recall systems and patient specific characteristics for eligibility into early diagnostic national screening programmes. • Contributing to promoting cancer screening and earlier diagnosis with support from registered nursing team e.g. cervical screening, urinalysis, able to promptly escalate concerns to RNs.

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<p>General Practice Nurse</p> <p>Enhanced Level</p>	<p>2</p>	<p>Macmillan Primary Care course Education and Training Healthcare professionals Macmillan Cancer Support</p>	<p>All of Tier 1 plus Active listening and 'MECC' proficiencies.</p> <p>Can effectively communicate and undertake comprehensive assessment of 'risk' encompassing 'red flags' of possible signs of cancer.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Initiation and selection of diagnostic tools e.g. blood tests to enable early and differential diagnosis, in partnership with MDT people, and communities. • Understands local pathways for suspected cancer, direct liaison care planning with GPs, specialist Nursing teams and diagnostic services around immediate concerns.
<p>Advanced Nurse/Clinical Practitioner</p>	<p>3</p>	<p>Macmillan Primary Care course Education and Training Healthcare professionals Macmillan Cancer Support</p>	<p>All of Tier 1 and 2 plus:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offers comprehensive support at diagnosis encompassing Cancer diagnostic procedures, and after care. • Implementation of advanced level skills and experience in holistic management of early diagnostics and navigating USC pathways • Named Nurse Clinician in patient/family care and journey.

Cancer Prevention, Screening and Earlier diagnosis



Resources for Tier 1

[Primary Care Cancer Care Coordinator Training - elearning for healthcare \(e-lfh.org.uk\)](https://www.e-learning-for-healthcare.org.uk/)

Aspirant Cancer Career and Education Development programme (ACCEND)
[Catalogue \(learninghub.nhs.uk\)](https://learninghub.nhs.uk/)

[Cancer Care Coordinator - Welcome to Wessex Cancer Alliance](#)

[Health professional | Cancer Research UK](#)
[Awareness and Prevention | Cancer Research UK](#)

[The Changing Story of Cancer - elearning for healthcare \(e-lfh.org.uk\)](https://www.e-learning-for-healthcare.org.uk/)

[Macmillan Learnzone](#) and [Learning and Communications Hub](#) – Free learning resources, online courses, and professional development tools.

[GatewayC](#) – e.g. [National Screening Programmes: Breast Screening - GatewayC](#) and bowel/cervical

Cancer Prevention, Screening and early detection Resources for Tier 2

[The Changing Story of Cancer - elearning for healthcare \(e-lfh.org.uk\)](https://www.e-lfh.org.uk/cancer-prevention-screening-early-detection-resources-for-tier-2)

[Primary Care Toolkit - Welcome to Wessex Cancer Alliance](#)

[GatewayC](#) – e.g. [National Screening Programmes: Breast Screening - GatewayC](#) and bowel/cervical
With focus on early diagnosis for a range of tumour sites e.g. [Uterine Cancer - GatewayC](#)

[Aspirant Cancer Career and Education Development programme \(ACCEND\) - elearning for healthcare \(e-lfh.org.uk\)](#) Context of Cancer and Science of Cancer Modules

[Safety Netting : Summary and Flowchart Cancer Research UK](#)

[10 ten tips for safety netting](#) Macmillan Cancer Support

Cancer Prevention and early Detection



Resources for Tier 3

Tier 1 and 2, plus:

<https://www.hee.nhs.uk/our-work/enhanced-practice-0>

[Maximizing Population Health and Prevention in Curricula – Updated toolkit now live - elearning for healthcare \(e-lfh.org.uk\)](#)

[Cancer Research UK : Suspected Cancer Recognition and Referrals](#)

[Improving your referrals](#)

Key messages



Treatment and Management

Treatment and management has and continues to change with:

- Newer treatments including immunotherapies and targeted treatments, sometimes matched to personal genetic profile bespoke to individuals, meaning a much wider range of potential side effects (which differ significantly from those associated with traditional cytotoxic chemotherapy) and improved prognoses.
- Treatment can be lengthy and with multiple lines of treatment in the case of those with treatable but not curable cancers.
- Earlier discharge following treatment onto patient-initiated follow-up, puts more responsibility for ongoing management onto the patient and Primary Care. Secondary care will send information out to primary care with regards to this group. Systems need to be in place to recognise that a patient is on a stratified or patient-initiated pathway.
- Co-morbidity is common with 70% having at least one other long-term condition and 29% having three or more (Macmillan Cancer Support, 2015) which means multi-morbidity management is complex.
- Patients, their families and carers require a person centred approach to care with a recognition that care and support needs span physical, psycho-social , and practical domains.

Scope of Practice: Cancer Treatment and Management

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Health Care Support Worker/Assistant / Cancer Care Coordinator/ Social Prescriber/Health-wellbeing Coach	<p style="text-align: center;">1</p>	<p>Period supervised practice from GPN/ANP until deemed competent and proficient within scope of practice. <u>Foundations of Cancer Care Elfh programme</u> or <u>Macmillan Explore for primary care</u></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lifestyle advice- prevention of secondary cancers • Offer of support at diagnosis to patient, family & carers • Cancer Care Review within 3 months - supportive conversations and signposting and escalation to RNs
Nursing Associate	<p style="text-align: center;">1</p>	<p>Period supervised practice from GPN/ANP until deemed competent and proficient within scope of practice. <u>Foundations of Cancer Care Elfh programme modules</u> or <u>Macmillan Explore for primary care</u></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lifestyle advice- prevention of secondary prevention • Actively promoting cancer screening : bowel, breast, cervical, lung health checks. • Offer of support at diagnosis to patient , family & carers • Cancer Care Review within 3 months - supportive conversations and signposting and escalation to RNs

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<p>General Practice Nurse</p> <p>Enhanced Level</p>	<p>2</p>	<p><u>Macmiilan Primary Care course</u> <u>Independent Prescribing (optional)</u></p>	<p>As for Tier 1 plus</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • QOF Cancer 3- month supportive conversation & 12- month Cancer Care Review • Recognition of red flags for recurrence or secondary cancer • Liaison with secondary care CNS team • Oversight of Service improvements – QOF/coding/CCR • Psychosocial needs • Advance Care Planning developing conversations as part of MDT
<p>Advanced Nurse/Clinical Practitioner</p>	<p>3</p>	<p><u>Macmiilan Primary Care course</u></p>	<p>As for Tier 1 and 2 plus</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cancer Care Review within 3 & 12 months - supportive conversations and signposting • Managing cancer in context of complexity of co-morbidity • Recognition of signs of recurrence and referral for investigation or to specialist teams • Proactive advance care plan discussions with patient, family and carers • Advice and guidance for rapid response. • Use of independent prescribing skills in clinical area.

Cancer treatment and management Resources for Tier 1



Foundations of Cancer Care Elfh programme

Aspirant Cancer Career and Education Development programme (ACCEND)

Communicating with empathy programme - [Communicating with Empathy - elearning for healthcare \(e-afh.org.uk\)](https://www.e-afh.org.uk/communicating-with-empathy)

Making every contact count - [Making Every Contact Count - elearning for healthcare \(e-afh.org.uk\)](https://www.e-afh.org.uk/making-every-contact-count)

Macmillan Explore for primary care

Macmillan Learning Hub: <https://macmillan.fuseuniversal.com/> (You'll need an account on the Macmillan Learning Hub to start learning)

Introduction to Cancer and its' Treatment

What matters to me

Essential communication skills - https://macmillan.fuseuniversal.com/users/sign_in

[10 top tips for primary care: Cancer Care Reviews | Macmillan Cancer Support](#)

Prehabilitation, rehabilitation and personalised care for people living with cancer (PROsPer) - PROsPer Foundation level -

An introduction to personalised care, prehabilitation and rehabilitation.

E-LfH Let's Communicate Cancer – 4 modules developed for Community Pharmacists by British Oncology Pharmacy Association (BOPA)

Cancer Treatment and management Resources for Tier 2



Foundations of Cancer Care Elfh programme

Aspirant Cancer Career and Education Development programme (ACCEND)

Personalised Care Institute: <https://www.personalisedcareinstitute.org.uk/your-learning-options/>

Shared Decision-Making

Personalised Care and Support Planning

Macmillan Learning Hub: <https://macmillan.fuseuniversal.com/> (You'll need an account on the Macmillan Learning Hub to start learning)

Introduction to Cancer and its' Treatment

Communication skills <https://portal.e-lfh.org.uk/Component/Details/391984>

What matters to me

Treatment Summaries

Level 1 Acute Oncology

10 top tips for primary care: Cancer Care Reviews | Macmillan Cancer Support

Prehabilitation, rehabilitation and personalised care for people living with cancer (PROsPer) - PROsPer Intermediate level - Building on your knowledge in personalised care and either cancer or prehabilitation/rehabilitation, but not necessarily both.

Long-Term Conditions considerations:

Diabetes and cancer - [Diabetes and cancer | Macmillan Cancer Support](#)

Cancer and respiratory disease (lung cancer) - [NHSE elfh Hub \(e-lfh.org.uk\)](#)

Dementia and cancer - [Cancer and dementia | Macmillan Cancer Support](#)

Kidney disease and cancer - [Kidney Cancer - Symptoms, causes, and treatment | National Kidney Foundation](#)

Cancer Treatment and management : Resources for Tier 3



Guys Cancer Academy Level 2 acute oncology

Personalised Care Institute: <https://www.personalisedcareinstitute.org.uk/your-learning-options/>

Shared Decision-Making

Personalised Care and Support Planning

Macmillan Learning Hub: <https://macmillan.fuseuniversal.com/> (You'll need an account on the Macmillan Learning Hub to start learning)

Cancer Care Reviews

Introduction to Advance Care Planning

Advanced clinical assessment skills link and possible link to EOL care (e.g. [Advanced Clinical Assessment in Cancer](#)

[Care | TRM School \(royalmarsdenschool.ac.uk\)](#))

UKONS Triage Tool: https://www.ukons.org/site/assets/files/1134/triage_tool_poster.pdf

Prehabilitation, rehabilitation and personalised care for people living with cancer (PROsPer) - PROsPer Advanced level - Service redesign and workforce.

Long-Term Conditions considerations:

Diabetes and cancer - [Diabetes and cancer | Macmillan Cancer Support](#)

Cancer and respiratory disease (lung cancer) - [NHSE elfh Hub \(e-elfh.org.uk\)](#)

Dementia and cancer - [Cancer and dementia | Macmillan Cancer Support](#)

Kidney disease and cancer - [Kidney Cancer - Symptoms, causes, and treatment | National Kidney Foundation](#)

Key messages



Living with and beyond cancer

Patient population is growing rapidly (3.1 m to 5.3 m by 2024) and by 2024 , 78% will be aged 65+

Over 70% have at least one other LTC and complex co-morbidity growing is becoming more common.

- People are living longer with side effects/consequences of cancer treatment
- Single disease reviews unlikely to be useful in future care models
- Patients living with a cancer diagnosis have poorer health and wellbeing scores compared to the general population
- Growing role for primary care and community teams as more care moves away from hospital
- Nurses as leaders in long-term condition care have an important role to play.
- A good level of cancer knowledge therefore is increasingly important dependent on level of practice

Scope of Practice: Living with and beyond cancer



Role Level Descriptor	Tier and Scope of Practice Aligned to Primary Care Core Career and Capabilities Framework	Qualifications	Skills and Application of Knowledge and Scope of Practice
<p>Health Care Support Worker/Assistant / Cancer Care Coordinator/ Social Prescriber/Health-wellbeing Coach</p>	<p>1</p>	<p>Period supervised practice from GPN/ANP until deemed competent and proficient within scope of practice.</p> <p>ACCEND supportive and assistive workforce toolkit or Macmillan Essential Explore</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lifestyle advice- prevention of secondary cancers , role of exercise • Actively promoting cancer screening : bowel, breast, cervical, lung health checks. • Offer of support at diagnosis to patient, family & carers • Cancer Care Review within 3 months - supportive conversations and signposting • Escalation of concerns to supervising clinician
<p>Nursing Associate</p>	<p>1</p>	<p>Period supervised practice from GPN/ANP until deemed competent and proficient within scope of practice.</p> <p><u>Foundations of Cancer Care Elfh programme</u> or Macmillan Essential Explore <u>Courses aligned to academic level 5</u></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lifestyle advice- prevention of secondary cancers, role of exercise • Actively promoting cancer screening : bowel, breast, cervical, lung health checks. • Offer of support at diagnosis to patient , family & carers • Cancer Care Review within 3 months - supportive conversations and signposting • Escalation of concerns to RN

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<p>General Practice Nurse</p> <p>Enhanced Level</p>	<p>2</p>	<p><u>Macmiilan Primary Care course or fundamentals of cancer care</u> <u>Courses aligned to academic level 6 and 7</u> <u>Independent prescribing</u> <u>Physical assessment and clinical decision making modules level – recommended level 7</u></p>	<p>As for Tier 1 plus</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • QOF Cancer 3- month supportive conversation & 12 -month Cancer Care Review • Recognition of red flags for recurrence • Recognition of late effects of treatment • Liaison with secondary care CNS team • Oversight of Service improvements – QOF/coding/CCR • Psychosocial support • Identifying rehabilitation needs and referring on • Advance Care Planning developing conversations as part of MDT
<p>Advanced Nurse/Clinical Practitioner</p>	<p>3</p>	<p><u>Macmiilan Primary Care course or fundamentals of cancer care .</u> <u>Clinical Leadership and Professional Development in Cancer Care Module eg course at UWE funded by NHSE</u></p>	<p>As for Tier 1 and 2 plus</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Managing cancer in context of complexity of co-morbidity • Recognition of late effects and referral to diagnostics/specialist teams • Recognition of signs of recurrence and referral for investigation or to specialist teams • Proactive advance care plan discussions with patient, family and carers • Palliative care and prescribing in collaboration with specialist palliative care /cancer teams.

Living with and beyond cancer Resources

for Tier 1

[Foundations of Cancer Care Elfh programme](#)

[Or](#)

[Macmillan Explore for primary care](#)

[LGBTQ+ Module GM Cancer Academy](#)

[Gateway C Supporting your patients](#)

[Foundations in Psychological Care GM Cancer Academy](#)

[Physical Activity and Cancer](#) – Guidance for healthcare professionals, Macmillan Cancer Support

[Move more \(macmillan.org.uk\)](http://macmillan.org.uk)

Living with and beyond cancer: resources

for Tier 2

- [Macmillan Person-centred primary care course](#)
- Macmillan bitesize modules Consequences of Cancer and its treatments [Macmillan \(fuseuniversal.com\)](#)
- [Practical Implementation Guide for Cancer Care Reviews | Macmillan Cancer Support](#)
- [Personalised Care Planning for people with cancer](#) Guys Cancer Academy
- [Foundations in psychological care](#)
- [Supporting your patients- Gateway C](#)
- [LGBTQ+ Module GM Cancer Academy](#)
- [Gateway C Managing Physical Effects](#)
- [Cancer- Moving Medicine](#)
- [PG Cert Cancer care UWE](#) funded by NHSE
- [Macmillan Enhanced palliative and end of life care learning and development toolkit](#)
[Palliative Care Toolkit](#)

Living with and beyond cancer: resources

for Tier 3



- [Macmillan Person-centred primary care course](#)
- [Gateway C Managing Physical Effects](#)
- [Guys Cancer Academy Symptom of the month](#) series
- [Gateway C Breast Cancer recurrence](#)
- [Guys Cancer Academy Level 2 acute oncology](#)
- [Metastatic Spinal Cord Compression MSCC Module 1 Manchester Cancer Academy \(Red flag card\)](#)
- Advanced Communication skills training in cancer – locally delivered , check with your cancer alliance or local cancer academy.
- [Clinical Leadership and Professional Development in Cancer Care UWE](#) funded by NHSE

End of Life – Core Learning



Core learning that would support end of life principles for all tiers:

- End of life Care for All - [End-of-life Care For All \(e-ELCA\) - elearning for healthcare \(e-lfh.org.uk\)](https://www.e-elca.org.uk)
- End of life care and wellbeing for nursing and midwifery workforce - [End of life care and wellbeing for the nursing and midwifery workforce | Professional services | Royal College of Nursing \(rcn.org.uk\)](https://www.rcn.org.uk/learning-and-development/education-and-training/end-of-life-care-and-wellbeing-for-the-nursing-and-midwifery-workforce)
- Priorities for care of the dying person: learning paths for nurses - [NHSE elfh Hub \(e-lfh.org.uk\)](https://www.nhse.uk/elfh-hub)
- Principles and Practice of Palliative and End of Life Care for Registered Nurses, Nursing Associates and Allied Health Professionals - [Principles and Practice of Palliative and End of Life Care for Registered Nurses, Nursing Associates and Allied Health Professionals - St Christopher's Hospice \(stchristophers.org.uk\)](https://www.stchristophers.org.uk/principles-and-practice-of-palliative-and-end-of-life-care)
- Palliative and end of life care - [Palliative and end of life care \(macmillan.org.uk\)](https://www.macmillan.org.uk/palliative-and-end-of-life-care)
- Best practice for palliative and end of life care - [Resources for palliative and end of life care nurses | Macmillan Cancer Support](https://www.macmillan.org.uk/cancer-support/resources-for-palliative-and-end-of-life-care-nurses)
- Palliative and end-of-life and bereavement training - [Palliative and end-of-life and bereavement training | Sue Ryder](https://www.sue-ryder.com)
- Community palliative and end of life care resources - [Community palliative and end of life care resources - St Ann's Hospice \(sah.org.uk\)](https://www.sah.org.uk)
- End of life care and wellbeing for the nursing and midwifery network - [End of life care and wellbeing for the nursing and midwifery workforce \(rcn.org.uk\)](https://www.rcn.org.uk/learning-and-development/education-and-training/end-of-life-care-and-wellbeing-for-the-nursing-and-midwifery-workforce)

For more information...



Useful Links and Resources and include peer reviews papers:

[Aspirant Cancer Career and Education Development programme \(ACCEND\)](#) – provides a structured career framework , training and learning and development opportunities for the both specialist and generalist workforce.

Cancer Academies:

[The Cancer Academy](#) (Cheshire and Merseyside Cancer Alliance)

[Guys Cancer Academy](#)

[Greater Manchester Cancer Academy](#)

[Nothorn Cancer Alliance Cancer Academy](#)

Communities of Practice

[National primary care Informal discussion group for personalised cancer](#) care hosted by Wessex Cancer Alliance

London Regional Cancer Community of Practice – hosted by [Central London Community Health Academy](#) .Focussed on integrated cancer care in community and primary care. Regular webinars open to colleagues nationally.

Additional Information and Resources

Other Resources:

The voluntary sector offers a range of comprehensive learning opportunities through their 'health professional' sections , this is not an exhaustive list:

[Our Courses - GatewayC](#)

[Macmillan Cancer Support : Practical Implementation Guide for Cancer Care review.](#)

[Events for health professionals - Pancreatic Cancer UK](#)

[Education | Prostate Cancer UK](#)

[Ovarian Cancer Webinars \(ovacome.org.uk\)](#)

[Training Resources for GP and Community Nurses | The Eve Appeal](#)

Sussex Training Hub for Cancer Care: www.sussextraininghub.org.uk/cancer/

Wessex Cancer Alliance Primary Care Toolkit: www.wessexcanceralliance.nhs.uk/primarycaretoolkit/education-and-training/

Peer Reviewed Papers:

Dyer et al 2024 Cancer care reviews: a guide for primary care . British Journal of General Practice 2024; 74 (745): 377-379. DOI: [10.3399/bjgp24X739101](https://doi.org/10.3399/bjgp24X739101)

Gopal et al 2024 Picking up the pieces: primary care practitioners experience of cancer care reviews. BJGP open 27 August 2024.

DOI:<https://doi.org/10.3399/BJGPO.2024.0064>

Armes et al 2009 Patients' supportive care needs beyond the end of cancer treatment: a prospective, longitudinal survey. J Clin Oncol. 2009 Dec 20;27(36):6172-9. doi: 10.1200/JCO.2009.22.5151.

Richards, M., Corner, J., & Maher, J. (2011). The National Cancer Survivorship Initiative: new and emerging evidence on the ongoing needs of cancer survivors. British journal of cancer, 105 Suppl 1(Suppl 1), S1–S4. <https://doi.org/10.1038/bjc.2011.416>

Mapped resources for patients

- [Cancer Care Map](#) – Directory of cancer support services across the UK
- [Macmillan In Your Area](#) – Online search tool for local Macmillan services including information and support, wellbeing services and rehabilitation groups.

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