

Network NEWS

Working together to provide patient pathways for children with cancer

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Overview

The NW CC ODN is mandated through NHS England; and hosted through Manchester Foundation Trust (MFT) in partnership with Alder Hey via the Northwest Paediatrics Partnership board. There is joint Clinical Leadership from Professor Bernadette Brennan (Royal Manchester Children's Hospital) and Dr Lisa Howell (Alder Hey Children's Hospital). The ODN is accountable to NHSE specialised commissioning.

The NW CC ODN circulates a newsletter issue quarterly. The newsletter focuses on sharing successes, identifying learning opportunities and signposting you to the wider network resources.

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For further information.

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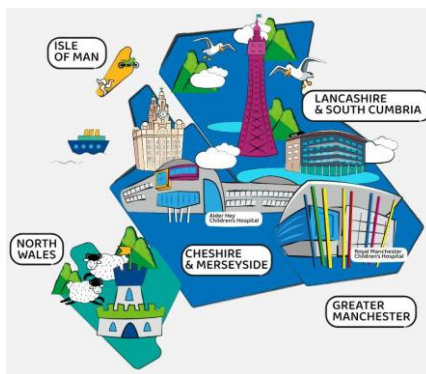
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Welcome to the latest edition of our quarterly newsletter. We're excited to share an overview of the ODN's recent projects. This issue contains updates on the following:

- The ODN annual site visits
- Upcoming Equitable, high-quality care Working Group
- Overview of the first North West Children's and TYA Cancer Conference

Site Visits



The ODN annual site visits have commenced. Thank you to the North Wales, Isle of Man and Blackburn POSCUs for their warm welcomes. We are looking forward to visiting the remaining POSCUs over the year. POSCUs have also received an Annual Report Template to complete following feedback that this would be beneficial.

Upcoming Working Group

Equitable
high quality
care



The NWCCODN *Equitable High Quality Care Working Group* will be meeting for the first time in Summer 2024.

The aim of the *Equitable, High Quality Care Working Group* is to support the delivery of, and development of, safe effective cancer care closer to home where appropriate for children with cancer across the North West. The working group will feed into the Network Oversight Group, providing regular highlight reports and will work to an agreed workplan with clear aims and objectives in relation to the delivery of safe effective care of children with cancer.

If you are interested in being a member of the group, kindly get in touch with us by emailing: info.nwccodn@mft.nhs.uk

Find out about our other working groups on our website: <https://www.nwchildrenscancerodn.nhs.uk/professionals/workstreams/>

NW Children's & TYA Cancer Conference

Thank you to everyone who attended the first North West Children's and TYA Cancer Conference and a big thank you to all our speakers and exhibitors!

The team welcomed 90 delegates from across the North West and further afield! 17 speakers delivered talks throughout the day and 10 exhibitor stalls raised awareness about local charities and organisations. See page 3 for the speaker and exhibitor breakdown.



Thank you to Caroline Bains (Lead Nurse for Cancer Services at Alder Hey Children's Hospital) for chairing the day!



Massive thank you to all colleagues within the Education Planning Task & Finish Group who contributed to planning of the Conference! Special thank you to the Greater Manchester Cancer Alliance for co-organising the conference and for fully funding the day so it was accessible to all!

Shout out to Ellen MacWilliams and Tilly Hewitt for their dedication and teamwork!

Due to the success of the 2024 NWCTYA Conference, this will be an Annual Conference with Cheshire & Merseyside Cancer Alliance funding 2025! Look forward to seeing you there!

Conference Speakers

Big thanks to all those who delivered talks at the conference! We welcomed a wide variety of speakers covering topics from late effects, fertility, workforce, innovation and psychology to genomics. It was also a privilege to hear from lived experience representatives along with an explanation of The Oncology Guide. We also heard updates from the children's and TYA ODNs and NHSE.



Conference Exhibitor Stalls

Thank you to all the Charities and organisations that provided stalls at the conference! It was great to learn more about the amazing work that is going on across the region for children and young people with cancer.



CHICs



The Ella Dawson Foundation



Emmie's Kitchen



The Little Princess Trust



Young Lives vs Cancer



Greater Manchester Cancer Alliance



The Joshua Tree



Teenage Cancer Trust



North West Genomics Medicine Service Alliance & North West Genomics Laboratory Hub



North West NHSE Transformation Team

ODN Website

The ODN website holds lots of helpful information for professionals, patients and families working in/or affected by childhood cancer: <https://www.nwchildrenscancerodn.nhs.uk/>

If you know of any events or information that you feel would be useful on the ODN website, we would love to hear from you! Please email: info.nwccodn@mft.nhs.uk



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