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POSCU

Paediatric Oncology Shared Care Unit

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This service allows children and young people with cancer to be treated closer to home so that families do not need to travel long distances to the nearest principal treatment center for some procedures.



There are 3 levels of POSCU.
We are standard POSCU (level 1)

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Our activities include:

- 1 Assessment of children referred to paediatric services on the cancer immediate or urgent referral pathway.
- 2 Outpatient supportive care and follow up.
- 3 Emergency management of paediatric oncology patients for example, febrile neutropenia or other emergency treatment.
- 4 Inpatient supportive care for instance pain or symptom control in the paediatric ward @RLI.
If patient is in Furness General Hospital, we treat and transfer to RLI for continued care.
- 5 Sign-posting to local paediatric services.

6 Community support by our POSCU nurses for example, they do investigations, support chemotherapy @home, monitor symptoms etcetera.

7 Virtual clinic when needed.



WELCOME TO CHILDREN'S UNIT AT ROYAL LANCASTER INFIRMARY

The children's unit has 19 bedded unit, including a dedicated POSCU ensuite room, 2 level 1 HDU, paediatric assessment unit and adult ITU support if needed.

We have a 24/7 Accident & Emergency department with dedicated paediatric area and paediatric nurses.

There is children's observation & assessment unit with a capacity of 6 beds.

This is where children are brought when actively unwell.

There is a waiting area where child/parent wait shortly before being seen and it is decorated colourfully with various toys and drawing and writing materials for children to use.

The children's department is staffed by experienced nurses and doctors. Many of them have

worked @Royal Manchester Children's Hospital (RMCH), our primary treatment centre or other large children's hospital in UK such as Alder-Hey Children's hospital (AHCH).

If your child is unwell, you will have been given contact number for the ward @RMCH OR AHCH. If staff feel your child could be seen @RLI, you will need to ring the children's ward @RLI on direct line 01524583467 or 583468. Tell the nurse you are under care of haematology team @RMCH.

Explain what your concerns are. The nurse will ask for your child's name and date of birth and you will be asked to attend the unit.

If your child is in ambulance, they can be told that your child has open access to the ward, so they will bring your child straight to children's ward.

If you are travelling by car, you will enter the hospital via the main centenary building

entrance, @the reception area, take left and walk down, look out for paediatric ward (Ward 32) on the right. Car park and charges details can be found on hospital website.

On arrival your child will be allocated a cubicle and will initially be seen by a nurse and then a doctor. Light snacks and refreshment are available for children while on the assessment unit.

The doctors @RMCH will be informed of your child's attendance @children's unit. We work closely with haematology/oncology team @RMCH and will liaise with them frequently about your child's treatment and care whilst on the ward @RLI.

Both parents and carers are welcome to always stay with your child to support your child and each other.



Please bring all your child's medicines with you and any hand-held notes you may have.



WELCOME TO CHILDREN'S UNIT @BARROW-IN-FURNESS.

The children's unit is located on level 4

It comprises of inpatient ward, children assessment.

We have a 24/7 Accident & Emergency department with dedicated paediatric area and paediatric nurses. There is children's observation & assessment unit with a capacity of 6 beds.

This is where children are brought when actively unwell. There is a waiting area where child/parent wait shortly before being seen and it is decorated colourfully with various toys and drawing and writing materials for children to use.

The children's department is staffed by experienced nurses and doctors. Many of them have worked @Royal Manchester Children's Hospital (RMCH), our primary treatment centre or other large children's hospital in UK such as AlderHey Children's hospital (AHCH) If your child is unwell, you will have been given contact number for the ward @RMCH OR AHCH. If staff feel your child could be seen @ Furness, you will need to ring the children's ward @RLI on direct line 01524583467 or 583468. Tell the nurse you are under care of haematology team @RMCH.

Explain what your concerns are. The nurse will ask for your child's name and date of birth and you will be asked to attend the unit.

Usually for oncology patients who first present at Furness, we initiate treatment and then transfer to RLI for continuation of care.

If your child is in ambulance, they can be told that your child has open access to the ward, so they will bring your child straight to children's ward.

If you are travelling by car, you will enter the hospital via the main entrance, @the reception area and ask for children's ward. Car park and charges details can be found on hospital website.

On arrival your child will be allocated a cubicle and will initially be seen by a nurse and then a doctor.

Light snacks and refreshment are available for children while on the assessment unit. There is also a play area with lovely scenery where your child can play.



The doctors @RMCH will be informed of your child's attendance @children's unit.

We work closely with haematology/oncology team @RMCH and will liaise with them frequently about your child's treatment and care whilst on the ward following transfer to RLI.

Both parents and carers are welcome to always stay with your child to support your child and each other.

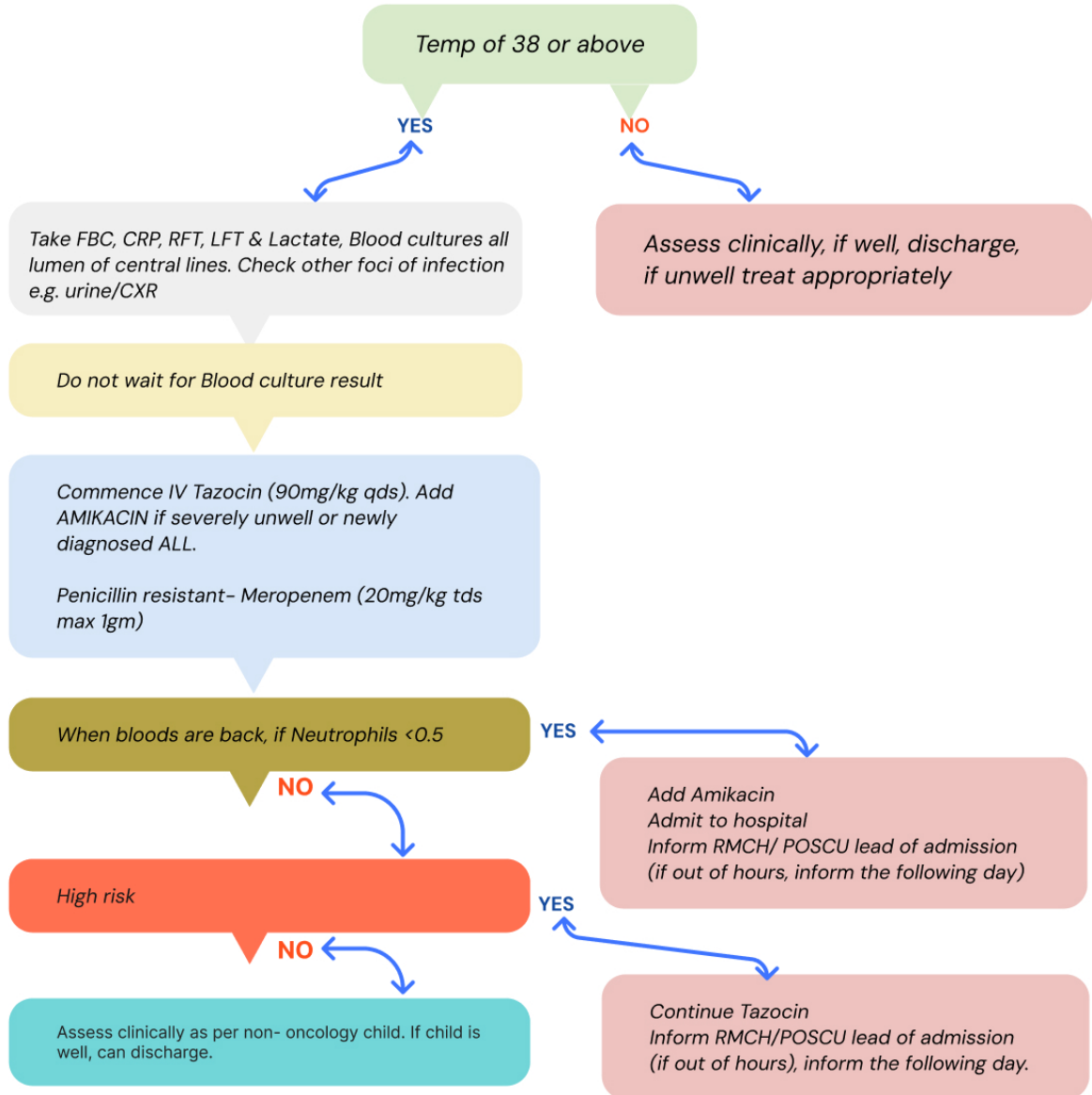
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Contact Details For All Services

Dr Jay Rajaram (Overseeing Consultant)

ATTENDANT	UNIT	WARD	DAY	TIME	EMAILS	CONTACT
His Secretary			Monday to Friday	9am - 5pm		01524583597
	RLI Paediatric	32				01524583467 or 583468
	FGH Paediatric					01229491090
CCNT Lancaster					lancaster.ccn@mbht.nhs.uk	01524591625
CC Admin South Lakes and Cumbria					ncm-tr.ccnsouth@nhs.net	01229403541
	FGH Paediatric					01229491090
Macmillan Specialist Practice office	RMCH Paediatric		Monday to Friday	9am - 5pm		01617018428
	RMCH Outpatient	84	Monday to Friday	8am -7pm		01617018411
	RMCH Inpatient	86		24 hours		01617018620

FLOW GUIDELINE OF FEBRILE NEUTROPENIA FOR ONCOLOGY PATIENT



Patient Passport

Full Name :

Preferred Name :

NHS Number :

Hospital Number:

Date of Birth:

Address:

Contact Details:

Religion:

Religious Needs:

Ethnicity:

Current Diagnosis:

GP Doctor:

GP Address:

RMCH Consultant:

Macmillan Nurse:

Other
Professionals
Involved:

Medications current:

Medications Past:

Date of Last
Chemotherapy:

Allergies:

Form of Intravenous
Access:

• Hickman line:

• Port-a-cart:

Gripper Size:

Use of blood products:

Any Surgeries:

Any special
requirement (e.g.
irradiated blood):

Community Nurse:

