



National Cancer Charities and Support Services

The following information resource was compiled by the Cancer Theme of the Nuffield Department of Primary Care and Health Science, (NDPCHS, University of Oxford), to provide contact and service provision details of national cancer charities for people living with cancer or their families and carers.

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Action Bladder Cancer UK - Mission is to support bladder cancer patients and their families, raise awareness of the disease in order to improve early diagnosis, and outcomes and support research.	Services include patient support groups, information and resources on bladder cancer, health professional training and research.	https://actionbladdercancer.org.uk Phone: 0300 302 0085
Bone Cancer Research Trust - Dedicated to fighting primary bone cancer and are uniquely placed to make a difference through research, information, awareness and support.	Financial assistance grants for every new bone cancer patient in the UK. Virtual primary bone cancer & bone tumour support groups across the UK.	https://www.bcrct.org.uk A freephone Support & Information Line - 0800 111 4855 (Mon - Fri 9am - 5pm)
Bowel Cancer UK – Working to save lives and improve the quality of life of everyone affected by bowel cancer.	Information, support and campaigning relating to bowel cancer (includes anal, colon, rectal cancers). Offers resources, awareness, patient support	https://www.bowelcanceruk.org.uk Phone: 020 7940 1760
Breast Cancer Now – Largest breast cancer charity in the UK. Its declared	Services include information booklets on breast cancer care, screening and	https://breastcancernow.org.uk

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<p>"Action Plan" is "by 2050, everyone who develops breast cancer will live". Campaigning and clinical research on secondary breast cancer drug treatments.</p>	<p>treatments in community languages. Helpline and nurse support.</p>	<p>Phone: 0808 800 6000</p>
<p>Cancer Research UK – Leading research charity. Campaigning, funds treatment research, leads on cancer policy development and focuses on early detection.</p>	<p>Provides information on all cancer types, prevention, screening, treatment, clinical trials, research news, and a nurse helpline for cancer-related questions.</p>	<p>https://www.cancerresearchuk.org.uk Nurse helpline: 0808 800 4040 General enquiries: 0300 123 1022</p>
<p>CoppaFeel - National Youth focussed breast cancer awareness charity.</p>	<p>Educating young people about breast cancer care and self - checking. Work to train healthcare professionals. Deliver awareness sessions at workplaces, schools and universities. Send out monthly self - check text - based reminders. Leaflets in community languages and different skin colour versions. Boobette volunteers.</p>	<p>https://coppafeel.org Contact via form on website.</p>
<p>Kidney Cancer UK - Largest charity dedicated to supporting people with kidney cancer. Raise awareness through information and funding research into causes, prevention and treatment.</p>	<p>Talk to a nurse service, Counselling service and support line.</p>	<p>https://www.kcuk.org.uk Phone: 0800 002 9002</p>
<p>Macmillan Cancer Support - UK charity providing practical and financial, emotional support to people with cancer and their families / carers.</p>	<p>Services include hospital information desks and nurses, help with information and advice on treatment, benefits, work issues, mental health, complementary support and local support groups. Provision of financial support and grants.</p>	<p>https://www.macmillan.org.uk Helpline: 0808 808 00 00 (freephone, 8 am–8 pm, 7 days a week)</p>
<p>Maggie's</p>	<p>Support people whatever type of cancer they have and their families. No appointment or referral required. Support and Maggie's centres includes:</p>	<p>For information or support Maggie's centres are open to access without appointments:</p>

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	<p>Courses and workshops designed to make coping with cancer easier, support groups, help with understanding treatment choices, advice on managing side-effects, practical help with issues like benefits and nutrition.</p>	<p>Aberdeen, Cambridge, Cardiff, Cheltenham, Coventry, Dundee, Edinburgh, Fife, Forth Valley, Glasgow, Highlands, Lanarkshire, Leeds, London – Barts, London – Royal Free, London Royal Marsden, London West, Manchester, Middlesborough, Newcastle, North Wales, Northampton, Nottingham, Oldham, Oxford, Southampton, Swansea and Wirral.</p>
<p>Marie Curie Cancer Care - Leading end of life and palliative care charity.</p>	<p>Provides care and support for people with terminal illness or at end-of-life — home nursing, hospice care, support for families, palliative care services across the UK</p>	<p>mariecurie.org.uk</p> <p>General Enquiries: 0800 716 146 Support line: 0800 090 2309</p>
<p>Melanoma UK - Leading skin cancer charity, helping improve prevention of Melanoma and skin cancer through education, awareness and support and campaigning .</p>	<p>Provide trusted information, guidance and advocacy to anyone affected by melanoma</p> <p>Raise awareness about the dangers of skin cancer, UV protection, sun safety and the importance of regular skin check.</p> <p>Signpost to professional healthcare services for expert advice, diagnosis, and treatment</p>	<p>https://www.melanomauk.org.uk</p> <p>Phone: 0161 821 5657</p>
<p>Ovacome ovarian cancer - National UK ovarian cancer charity focussed on providing support and information to anyone affected by ovarian cancer and their friends, family and health professionals.</p>	<p>Services include online forums, telephone and email support for individuals and families dealing with ovarian cancer.</p>	<p>https://www.ovacome.org.uk</p> <p>Phone: 0800 008 7054</p>

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<p>Pancreatic Cancer UK - Aims to transform the future for pancreatic cancer by funding research breakthroughs, campaigning for changes to treatment and care and supporting people when they need it the most.</p>	<p>Information booklets, videos on Pancreatic cancer. Specialist nurse support and Circles online community groups.</p> <p>Support line to speak with nurses Research in to early detection and treatments</p> <p>Developed breath test for pancreatic cancer.</p>	<p>https://www.pancreaticcancer.org.uk</p> <p>Phone: 0808 801 0707 To speak to nurses - The Support Line is open Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays between 9am and 4pm, with lines open 10am to 4pm on Wednesdays.</p>
<p>Prevent Breast Cancer - Only UK charity entirely dedicated to the prediction and prevention of breast cancer. Based in Manchester's Nightingale Centre.</p>	<p>Promoting early diagnosis, screening and lifestyle changes. Prevent Breast Cancer funds high quality research into the prediction and prevention of breast cancer. Research focuses on gene research, screening and early detection, lifestyle and environmental risk and preventative drugs. Health inequalities, family history event for professionals.</p>	<p>https://preventbreastcancer.org.uk</p> <p>Phone: 0161 291 4400</p>
<p>Prostate Cancer UK - Charity providing information, awareness raising and funding to end prostate cancer. Campaign on national prostate screening programme.</p>	<p>Support, information, awareness and campaigning for prostate cancer patients, their families and carers. Provides specialist nurse support, info on testing and treatment, peer and community support.</p>	<p>https://prostatecanceruk.org</p> <p>General enquiries: 020 3310 7000 Helpline: 0800 074 8383</p>
<p>Roy Castle Lung Foundation - Mission to improve lives of people with lung cancer.</p>	<p>Research on early diagnosis of lung cancer. Patient experience of living with lung cancer. Campaigning and awareness of lung cancer.</p>	<p>https://roycastle.org</p> <p>Helpline – 0800 358 7200</p>

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The Brain Tumour Charity - World's leading brain tumour charity and the largest dedicated funder of research into brain tumours globally.	Support, information, and funding for research into brain tumours — helps patients, families and carers affected by brain tumours.	https://www.thebraintumourcharity.org Helpline: 0808 800 0004
Teenage Cancer Trust - Offers unique care and support, designed for and with young people.	Funding specialised nurses, youth workers and hospital units in the NHS, so young people have dedicated staff and facilities to support them throughout treatment. Outreach nurses to support young people receiving cancer treatment at home.	https://www.teenagecancertrust.org Phone: 020 7612 0370 Working hours are 9am to 5.00pm Monday to Friday.
The Eve Appeal - Leading UK gynaecological charity . Working to prevent c gynae cancers from developing, and aiming for early detection. Cancers covered include ovarian, womb, cervical, vulval and vaginal.	Information and resources, education and awareness, world class research on gynae cancers. Ask Eve nurse service.	Phone: 020 7605 0100. To contact nurses call, Ask Eve on 0808 802 0019 free to call from landlines and mobile phones or email: nurse@eveappeal.org.uk
Young Lives vs Cancer – Only UK charity with specialist social workers who provide tailored support to children and young people with cancer and their families.	Help patients and families to navigate the emotional and practical image of cancer. Social work support, mental health support, accommodation around UK for children and families attending distant hospitals for treatment. Bereavement support for families. End of life counselling for young people. Financial grants available to cover cancer costs.	https://www.younglivesvscancer.org.uk Central Support and Social Care team: Phone: 0300 303 5220 (Monday to Friday, 9am–5pm).