

Urological Cancer

A High Level Operational Policy

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1.0 Introduction and background

The purpose of this document is to provide the Kent & Medway Cancer Trusts, Clinical Commissioning Groups (CCGs) and all clinicians engaged in the management of Urological Cancers with an overview of the minimum requirements to be addressed in order to achieve Improving Outcomes Guidance (IOG) compliance.

The KMCC Urology Tumour Site Specific Group (TSSG) will be the KMCC's source of guidance on both the implementation of the Urological Cancer IOG as well as Clinical Protocols and Policies.

An important aim of this document is to provide an overview of the recommendations of the KMCC Urological TSSG on processes to ensure the delivery of clinically safe, evidenced based, clinically effective and IOG compliant Urological Cancer Services.

This document does NOT aim to provide guidance on the clinical aspects of patient management. The clinical guidance recommendations of the KMCC Urology TSSG will be found in the following documents:

- A Pathway of Care for the Management of Bladder Cancers_ <http://kmcc.nhs.uk/tumour-sites/tumour-site-specific-information/urology-tssg/>
- A Pathway of Care for the Management of Kidney Cancers_ <http://kmcc.nhs.uk/tumour-sites/tumour-site-specific-information/urology-tssg/>
- A Pathway of Care for the Management of Penile Cancers_ <http://kmcc.nhs.uk/tumour-sites/tumour-site-specific-information/urology-tssg/>
- A Pathway of Care for the Management of Prostate Cancers_ <http://kmcc.nhs.uk/tumour-sites/tumour-site-specific-information/urology-tssg/>
- A Pathway of Care for the Management of Testicular Cancers_ <http://kmcc.nhs.uk/tumour-sites/tumour-site-specific-information/urology-tssg/>
- Imaging for Cancer in Kent & Medway_ <http://kmcc.nhs.uk/tumour-sites/tumour-site-specific-information/urology-tssg/>

2.0 Kent & Medway Cancer Collaborative

Kent & Medway has a resident population of about 2 million. Some residents from Sussex flow into Kent for oncological treatments expanding the population to approximately 2.1 million.

Total locality population	781,376			717,470		647,444	
Trusts	EKHUFT East Kent Hospitals University NHS Foundation Trust			MTW Maidstone & Tunbridge Wells NHS Trust		DVH Darent Valley Hospital (Dartford, Gravesham & Swanley)	MFT Medway NHS Foundation Trust (Medway & Swale)
Hospitals	K&C Kent & Canterbury	QEQM Queen Elizabeth the Queen Mother	WHH William Harvey	TW Tunbridge Wells	MS Maidstone	DVH Darent Valley Hospital	MMH Medway Maritime Hospital
Note	Whilst geographically outside K&M, for the purposes of cancer the Queen Victoria Foundation Trust (QVH) at East Grinstead fall under the umbrella of K&M						

3.0 The Urology TSSG

The KMCC Urology Cancer TSSG was established by the Kent & Medway Cancer Network in 2000.

- The TSSG remains IOG compliant
- The TSSG has multidisciplinary / multi-professional membership which is drawn from:
 - Each of the Acute Trusts providing Local / Specialist level service
 - Primary Care
 - Patient / Users
- The TSSG has a multidisciplinary/multiprofessional membership which is drawn from:
 - Each of the Acute Trusts providing Urology MDT services
 - Primary Care
 - Patient/Users

Named Leads for the Urology TSSG are:

Chair	:	Prof Sanjeev Madaan, Consultant Urologist
KMCC Lead	:	Annette Wiltshire, KMCC
Non-Surgical Oncology Group (NOG) Lead	:	Dr Carys Thomas, Consultant Oncologist
Research and Trials Lead	:	Dr Sanjeev Madaan, Consultant Urologist
Users Issues Lead	:	
Named Admin Support	:	Karen Glass & Colin Chamberlain, KMCC

A full list of current membership is available from the Urology TSSG attendance record – a copy of which is located on the KMCC website:

<http://kmcc.nhs.uk/tumour-sites/tumour-site-specific-information/urology-tssg/>

4.0 Catchments & Populations

It is agreed that configuration of urology services should reflect the description set out in the table below.

As a general principle patients referred under the 2WW rule should be seen as close to home as possible. However, if the demand at the nearest hospital is such that patients may potentially exceed the limits of the rule they should be offered an urgent appointment at one of the other hospitals operated by the same team the patient was originally referred to.

Similarly, if diagnostic facilities (e.g. for TRUS) are overwhelmed (at a given moment in time) at the patients “nearest to home hospital” they should be offered an urgent appointment for diagnostic tests at one of the other diagnostic facilities supported by members of the team to which the patient is originally referred.

Catchment Populations, Trusts & Joint Local / Specialist Teams

	Trust	Key Hospitals providing diagnostic services	Local MDTs	Specialist MDTs
Eastern & Coastal Kent Population 781,376 (Patients flows from Swale are mainly into Medway Maritime)	East Kent Hospitals University NHS Foundation Trust	K&C (Canterbury)	Joint Local & Specialist Team K&C	
		Dover		
		QEQM (Thanet)		
		WHH (Ashford)		
Medway & Swale Dartford, Gravesham & Swanley Population 647,444	Medway Foundation Trust Hospital	MFT (Medway & Swale)	Local MFT MDT	Joint MFT & DVH & MTW Specialist Team
West Kent Population 717,470	Dartford, Gravesham & Swanley NHS Trust	Darent Valley	Local DVH MDT	
	Maidstone & Tunbridge Wells NHS Trust	Maidstone	Local MTW MDT	
Tunbridge-Wells (Pembury)				

Due to the geography of Kent and Medway, and in line with the Cancer Action Team already approved scheme for the provision of Head & Neck and Thyroid Cancer Services, the Cancer Commissioning Board supported a two specialist surgical centre model of care; on the basis of patient accessibility this continues to provide the best patient focussed approach:-

East Kent:

- There is a single joint Local and Specialist MDT which is based at Canterbury
- All Specialist surgical urology procedures are undertaken at Canterbury

West Kent and Medway:

- There is a Local Urology MDT based at Maidstone, Dartford and Medway
- There is a joint Maidstone, Dartford and Medway Specialist MDT
- All specialist surgical urology procedures for West Kent and Medway are undertaken at Medway

4.1 Supranetwork Teams for Penile and Testicular Cancers

It is agreed that:

- St Georges will provide Supranetwork Level care for KMCC patients diagnosed with penile cancers
- The Royal Marsden will provide Supranetwork Level care for KMCC patients diagnosed with testicular cancers

	Trust	Joint Local/Specialist Teams		Supranetwork Teams
East Kent CCG Population 781,376 (Patients flows from Swale CCG are mainly into Medway Maritime)	East Kent Hospitals University NHS Foundation Trust	East Kent Joint Local & Specialist MDT		MTW (Testicular Cancers)
				St Georges (Penile Cancers)
North Kent CCGs Medway & Swale, Dartford, Gravesham & Swanley (DGS) Population 647,444	Medway NHS Foundation Trust	Local MFT	Joint West Kent & Medway Specialist MDT	RMH (Testicular Cancers)
	Darent Valley Hospital	Local DVH		St Georges (Penile Cancers)
West Kent CCG Population 717,470	Maidstone & Tunbridge Wells NHS Trust	Local MTW		

It is agreed with RMH that:

- Dr Bianchini (Mid Kent Oncology at Maidstone) will liaise with the RMH Testicular MDT on the management of patients from KMCC with testicular cancer
- Chemotherapy, radiotherapy and surveillance may be carried out locally under the care of Dr Bianchini
- Dr Bianchini core member of the West Kent Local/Specialist Urology Team

It is noted that Dr Bianchini have been engaged in making sure that the KMCC Testicular Cancer Pathway of Care is consistent with RMH clinical guidance.

5.0 Responsibilities of the Urology TSSG

5.1 Function of the TSSG – Terms of Reference

- A copy of the full Terms of Reference for all Tumour Site Specific Groups (TSSGs) is located on the KMCC website: <http://kmcc.nhs.uk/tumour-sites/terms-of-reference/>
- A copy of the TSSG Chair Job Description is located on the KMCC website: <http://kmcc.nhs.uk/tumour-sites/terms-of-reference/>

5.2 Research & Trials

The TSSG has established a formal Research & Trials Group. It is the responsibility of the TSSG Chair to ensure that the Clinical Trials Report is discussed at the two TSSG meetings held within the 12 month period.

The national initiative to restructure the Research Networks to 15 Local Research Networks has resulted in a reconfigured structure for delivering clinical research across England:-

- The three local Cancer Research Networks are now part of the NIHR Clinical Research Network: Kent, Surrey and Sussex
- The new organisation coordinates clinical research and facilitates study set up and delivery, through 30 disease specialties, of which Cancer is one
- The transition to the new organisational structure is ongoing and when the Research work plan is formalised, it will be included in the TSSG work plan
- The Research and Trials groups provide the platform for discussion of cancer clinical studies and act as a resource for information pertaining to those studies

5.3 Non-Surgical Oncology Group (NOG)

The Urology NOG was formally established in 2008.

A copy of the NOG full Terms of Reference is available on the KMCC website: <http://kmcc.nhs.uk/tumour-sites/terms-of-reference/>

A copy of the Oncological Treatment of Urology Cancer is located on the KMCC website: <http://kmcc.nhs.uk/tumour-sites/tumour-site-specific-information/urology-tssg/>

6.0 Children & Young People (CYP) / Teenage & Young Adult (TYA)

6.1 Children & Young People (CYP)

Children and Young People with Urological Cancers will be treated in accordance with principles set out in the CYP IOG.

All Children and Young People up to the age of 18 must be referred to the CYP Principal Treatment Centre which for KMCC is based at the Royal Marsden.

All Young People between 16 and 24 years of age must be offered a referral to the CYP Treatment Centre.

Referral to a CYP Principal Treatment Centre does not necessarily mean that treatment will be undertaken at that centre; shared care management protocols may allow some treatments to be undertaken locally.

6.2 Teenage & Young Adult (TYA)

The main principles in the Teenage & Young Adult guidance are as follows:

- The 16-18 age group should be seen and treated at the TYA Principal Treatment Centre (PTC) and have their management plans discussed by the TYA PTC although shared care can be arranged as part of the pathway
- Young Adults aged 19-24 years must be given choice where they would like to be treated either:
 - In the TYA Principal Treatment Centre.

Or

 - An adult service designated by commissioners to treat young adults 19 to 24 years.
- In both cases all young people must be given access to the services and resources offered by the TYA MDT at the PTC, this may be remotely or through specified clinical services or supportive activities, and each trust will need a mechanism to identify all new TYA patients regardless of which MDT they initially present to.

7.0 Data, Data Collection

Collection of data at each stage of the pathway is the responsibility of the team looking after the patient at that time. The minimum dataset agreed by the TSSG will be a combination of those data items that meet national requirements, and additional items as agreed by the TSSG.

National data requirements will include:

- Cancer Waiting Times monitoring, including Going Further on Cancer Waits. The data items required will be as defined in ISB0147 at the time of referral and/or treatment.

Cancer Waiting Times data will be submitted according to the timetable set out in the National Contract for Acute Services.

- The Cancer Outcomes and Services Dataset. The data items will be as defined in ISB1521, and any subsequent versions, at the time of diagnosis and/or treatment. The requirement will include

those fields listed in the “Core” section of the dataset, and any additional tumour site specific sections, as applicable.

Details of the COSD are available from:

http://www.ncin.org.uk/collecting_and_using_data/data_collection/cosd.aspx

Cancer Registration and Cancer Outcomes and Services (COSD) data will be submitted according to the timetable set out by the National Cancer Registration Service (NCRS).

Where applicable, teams will also collect additional data items as defined in any corresponding National Clinical Audit Support Programme (NCASP) audit dataset.

Data for NCASP audits will be submitted, where applicable, according to timetables as agreed by the TSSG, and within the overall submission deadlines for each audit.

Submission of data to meet these national requirements will be the responsibility of each individual Trust.

Note that these standards are subject to variation from time to time, and where these requirements change, the data items required to be collected by the team will also change in line with national requirements.

Local data requirements will include any additional data items as agreed by the TSSG. These must be selected to avoid overlap with any existing data items, and where possible must use standard coding as defined in the NHS Data Dictionary.

Where possible and applicable, InfoFlex will be used for the collection and storage of data.

Additional areas of the COSD, relating to pathology, radiotherapy, Systemic Anti-Cancer Therapy (SACT), diagnostic imaging and basic procedure details will feed into the dataset from other nationally mandated sources. It is the responsibility of each team to ensure that the whole of the relevant dataset is collected, and it is acknowledged that this may come from a variety of sources.

8.0 Pathology

All KMCC reporting pathologists follow The Royal College of Pathologists Histopathology Reporting on Cancers guidelines – a copy of which is available through the KMCC website:- <http://kmcc.nhs.uk/tumour-sites/sub-groups-or-cross-cutting-groups/pathology-group/>

Core Cell Path members of the MDT should be taking part in a general (but recognised) EQA scheme. It is expected that the Trusts will monitor this and inform the KMCC in the event of any deviation from this. The Trusts should also take responsibility for agreeing and implementing any remedial actions arising from either [a] any non-compliance with this measures and / or [b] matters identified through the EQA process.

Core Cell Path members of the KMCC Urology Teams (and any other Cellular Pathologist providing a Urology service) will participate in any Urology TSSG agreed cell path related audits.

9.0 Imaging

Imaging guidelines for urology cancer can be located in the KMCC agreed document located on the KMCC website on the following link: <http://kmcc.nhs.uk/tumour-sites/sub-groups-or-cross-cutting-groups/diagnostics-group/>

11.0 Glossary

Acronyms in common usage throughout KMCC documentation:

CNB	Cancer Network Board
CYP	Children & Young People (in relation to the IOG)
DCCAG	Diagnostic Cross Cutting Advisory Group
DVH	Darent Valley Hospital
EK	East Kent
EKHUFT	East Kent Hospitals University Foundation Trust
HoP	High Level Operational Policy
IOSC	Improving Outcomes: A Strategy for Cancer
K&C	Kent & Canterbury Hospital, Canterbury, (EKHUFT)
KMCA	Kent & Medway Cancer Alliance
KMCC	Kent & Medway Cancer Collaborative
KMCRN	Kent & Medway Cancer Research Network
LSESN	London & South East Sarcoma Network
MFT	Medway Foundation Trust
MTW	Maidstone & Tunbridge Wells NHS Trust
NOG	Non-Surgical Oncology Group (<i>Permanent oncologist sub group of the TSSGs with a specific responsibility for chemo/rad pathways and advice to the TSSG, KMCC and geographical locations on new drugs</i>)
PoC	Pathway of Care (<i>KMCC agreed disease site specific clinical guidelines</i>)
QEQM	Queen Elizabeth the Queen Mother Hospital, Margate (EKHUFT)
QoL	Quality of Life
QVH	Queen Victoria Foundation Trust Hospital East Grinstead
RMH	Royal Marsden Hospital
RNOH	Royal National Orthopaedic Hospital
SACT	Systemic Anti-Cancer Therapy
TSSG	Tumour Site Specific Group
TYA	Teenage & Young Adult
UCLH	University College Hospital London
WHH	William Harvey Hospital, Ashford (EKHUFT)
WK	West Kent

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