

Understanding Bladder Cancer and the latest developments



This Education Day aims to provide nurses with up-to-date knowledge on bladder cancer treatments and the newest developments. Urology nurses and cancer nurses across the UK will have the opportunity to network and share their experiences and expertise. This event is also open to nurses who wish to extend their knowledge of bladder cancer and who may be working in other areas of urology or cancer care.

9.00 Registration and Refreshments

9.30 Welcome and briefing on the day

Information on the work of the charity: its support offer, materials and grants programme.

Jeannie Rigby CEO – ABC UK
Jackie O’Kelly & Di Cooke ABC UK Patient Support Officers

9.50 Where does TULA fit into the bladder cancer pathway?

- Understanding the bladder cancer pathway TURBT vs TULA
- Improving patient experience and outcomes

Paula Allchorne
Urology Lead Nurse for Barts Health RN, MBA
Psychosexual & Relationship Therapist COSRT Reg
Past EAUN President and ABC UK Trustee

10.15 Improving patient care – GIRFT initiatives in bladder cancer

- To understand upcoming changes to the bladder cancer pathway
- To take feedback on how these changes can be implemented

Mr John McGrath
Consultant Urologist North Bristol NHS Trust National
Clinical Lead GIRFT NHS England

10.40 Refreshments

11.00 Is tailoring treatment based on biomarkers going to be the future in bladder cancer management?

- Improve our understanding of newer treatment options in bladder cancer
- In this era of novel therapies, is bladder conservation a good choice?

Professor Nikhil Vasdev
Consultant Urological Surgeon & Associate Medical
Director for Cancer Services
East and North Hertfordshire NHS Trust
Lister Hospital, Stevenage

Dr Anand Sharma
Consultant Medical Oncologist
Mount Vernon Cancer Centre
East and North Hertfordshire NHS Trust

11:45 Patient treatment preference in MIBC – is there really a choice?

Exploring treatment decision making in MIBC, in the context of the patient care pathway: how nurses can be advocates for informed choice in this patient group.

Helen Johnson
Nurse lecturer
Manchester Metropolitan University & Nurse Researcher
The Christie Hospital, Manchester

12.15 Lunch and Networking

13.00 Transgender patients with bladder cancer

Reflective account of managing a transgender patient requiring cystectomy surgery.

Jenny Akins
Urology Advanced Nurse Practitioner
Royal Wolverhampton NHS Trust and ABC UK Trustee

13.30 Evidence based practice in the oncology clinic: supporting patient centred care

Overview of trials informing current care of muscle invasive cancer patients.

Dr Shaista Hafeez MBBS MRCP FRCR PhD
Consultant Clinical Oncologist
The Royal Marsden Hospital

The role of the multi-disciplinary team in supporting patient decision-making.

Ms Patricia Khumalo RN PgDip
Bladder Clinical Nurse Specialist
The Royal Marsden Hospital

Illustrate impact of ANP and CNS-led roles and responsibilities.

Ms Rebecca Martin BSc (hons) MSc RN NIP
Lead Nurse/Advanced Nurse Practitioner
The Royal Marsden Hospital

14.00 4 Difficult Cases

7-Minute presentations / 10-minute discussion per case.

Kathryn Chatterton
Consultant Clinical Oncologist
The Royal Marsden Hospital

Victoria Julian
Urology Clinical Nurse Specialist
Royal Wolverhampton NHS Trust

Karena Lemonnier
Senior Uro-Oncology CNS
Oxford University NHS Trust

Teresa McEvoy
Uro-Oncology Clinical Nurse Specialist
Belfast City Hospital

15.10 Refreshments

15:25 Living with bladder cancer – my journey so far

Understand the patient’s experience from a patient perspective - and not making assumptions.

Chris Illingworth
Bladder cancer patient

15.45 ABC UK Nurse of the Year Award

Winner summary

15.55 Summary and Conclusion

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ABC UK Patient Information Resources

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You can order these on our website using the link below or contact us directly at:

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Email: info@actionbladdercancer.org

Order your resources online at

www.actionbladdercanceruk.org/order-materials/

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