

Information about

Macmillan Day Case Unit

Level 1 - Areas 1-5

Level 4 - B8 and B9



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Welcome to the Macmillan Day Case Unit /B8 and B9 Day Case Unit

This leaflet contains some practical information for you about the Macmillan Day Case Unit/B8 and B9 Day Case Unit and some of the associated areas or services that you may need to use. Please note that this is a general guide about the unit. Your SACT (Systemic Anti Cancer Therapy) nurses and medical staff will discuss specific aspects of your treatment with you.

The Macmillan Day Case Unit is on level 1 of the BeatsonWest of Scotland Cancer Centre (BWoSCC) and is open Monday - Friday 8am - 6pm

B8 and B9 Macmillan Day Case Unit is on level 4 of the Beatson West of Scotland Cancer Centre (BWoSCC) and is open Monday - Friday 8am - 6pm. One area remains open until 8pm with limited staff Monday to Friday to allow for longer treatments.

Appointments

SACT treatment is very specific to the type of cancer that you have and there are different appointment systems depending on the type of treatment your doctor has recommended for you.

- You will be advised to have your bloods taken by your GP or practice nurse prior to coming for all your clinic appointments.
- At your clinic appointment you will be seen by your doctor, nurse or pharmacist. They will assess you and review your blood results to ensure that you are fit for your treatment
- Once this assessment has been carried out the doctor, nurse or pharmacist will order your treatment from pharmacy.

“Same Day Treatment Appointments” means that you will be seen at a clinic and have your treatment all in the one day.

- If you are receiving “same day treatment” it can take a minimum of 3 hours for your treatment to be available from the time it was ordered and checked by a clinical pharmacist. For example you may have a clinic appointment at 9am, yet your treatment may not be ordered until 10am, therefore your treatment may not be ready until 1pm
- If you are receiving “same day treatment” you can either leave the hospital and return at your given appointment time, or wait in the Macmillan Day Case Unit waiting area or anywhere else you may prefer in the centre. You can also discuss with reception staff or nurse in charge about access to the Beatson Cancer Charity. You may even choose to leave your contact details with our reception staff who can contact you when your treatment is ready, which may be out with your actual appointment time.

“Different Day Treatment Appointments” or “Two Stop Appointments” means that you will be seen at a clinic one day and return on a subsequent day to have your treatment. When you return will depend on the length and frequency of your treatment.

- This system is used so that your treatment can start to be prepared early for when you come for your treatment appointment.
- For example you may be given a clinic appointment for the Monday to see your doctor, nurse or pharmacist, yet your treatment appointment may not be until the Tuesday or Wednesday.

Arriving for your treatment

When you arrive at the Macmillan Day Case Unit Level 1 or B8 and B9 Macmillan Day Case Unit Level 4 please check in at our reception desk. Our receptionist will check your details and ask you to take a seat in the waiting area.

We have a variety of reading materials, but feel free to bring your own books/magazines and drinks. We also have free WiFi in the centre which you can access. We have volunteer workers who will come round with drinks and snacks at various times throughout the day.

Unfortunately our waiting areas can become quite busy and crowded at times and seating space is limited. If you have a friend/relative or carer with you there may be occasions when we will ask them to give up their seat for other patients.

SACT Treatment Areas

We have five treatment areas within the Macmillan Day Case Unit Level 1 and two treatment areas in wards B8 and B9 Macmillan Day Case Unit Level 4. In some instances you may notice some patients being taken through for their treatment before you. While it may feel that you have 'missed your turn', please be assured this will not be the case as each treatment area has their own list of patients. Please note that each treatment area has a dedicated team of nurses to give you your treatment.

At your first treatment appointment we advise that you bring someone along with you as you will receive lots of information about your treatment.

For a variety of reasons, we cannot accommodate your friends/relatives/carers to be with you for subsequent treatment appointments within the treatment area itself. This is for your own safety, well being, and other patient's privacy and also for control of infection. Please feel free to speak to the nurse-in charge of your area if you feel you may need someone to be with you throughout your treatment being given and they will be happy to help and advise you.

When you are having your treatment there may be the opportunity to speak to a pharmacist about your discharge medications. If you have questions about your discharge medication or medication in general and the pharmacist is not visiting your area when you are in please ask the area if they can arrange for the pharmacist to come and see you.

Going home from the Macmillan Day case Unit

Once you have had your treatment always check with yourself and your nurse that you have the following

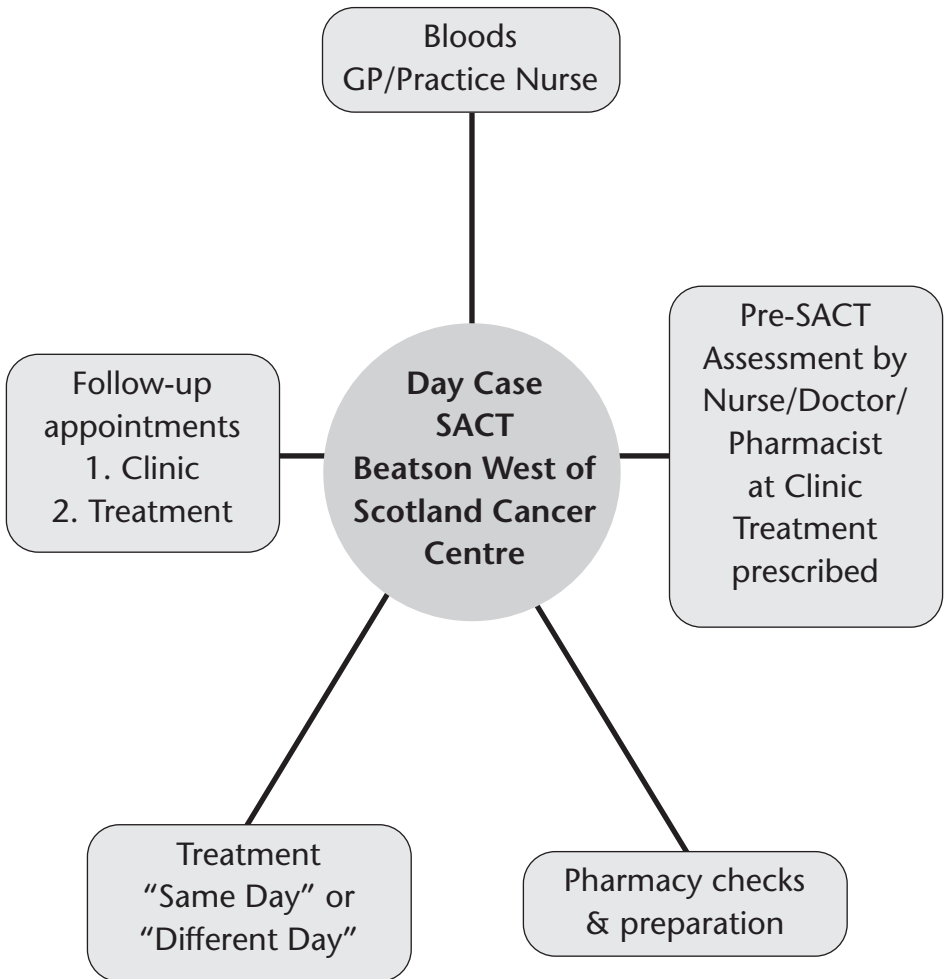
- Your next clinic appointment
- Your next treatment appointment
- Blood forms for your GP/Practice Nurse to take your bloods the day before your next clinic appointment
- Relevant Contact numbers

If you are not sure please ask a member of staff who will be happy to help you.

Useful Contact Numbers

Macmillan Day Case Unit Managers	0141 301 7255/7254
Reception Desk	0141 301 7500
SACT Booking Office	0141 301 7259
Transport	0300 123 1236

Summary of Events





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