Swindon area support groups

‘I wanted to talk to somebody who felt the same way as I did’ www.macmillan.org.uk

Each cancer support group is different, but you can expect a warm welcome from someone who has been in the group for some time, introduction to the other members and the opportunity to talk about yourself and your experience of cancer.

Affected by Cancer (ABC)
www.affectedbycancer.co.uk
Email: abcswindon@yahoo.co.uk

Friendly Swindon-based community self-help support group offering a warm welcome to anyone affected by cancer; patients, carers, relatives and friends; an opportunity to meet in relaxed surroundings.

Meetings:
Lawn Community Centre, Windsor Road, Lawn, Swindon SN3 1LA
First Monday of the month 1.00pm - 3.00pm (lunch and chat)
Third Monday of the month 2.00pm - 4.00pm (speaker and tea)

Men’s Support Group:
Fourth Thursday of the month 7.00pm - 9.30pm (see website for dates).
Plus regular dinners, day trips and annual holidays.
Butterfly – breast cancer friendship group
Email: miles018@btinternet.com / corinnalooker@yahoo.co.uk
An opportunity to meet others with similar experiences and support each other through their breast cancer journey and beyond.

Meetings:
The Rat Trap, Highworth Road, Swindon SN3 4QS
First Thursday of the month: 10.00am - 12.00pm

Ridgeway Breast Care Support Group
www.ridgewaybreastcaresupportgroup.org.uk
Email: info@ridgewaybreastcaresupportgroup.org.uk
Kay Sharpe: 07813 493 572
Anyone affected by breast cancer is welcome. Funds raised support individuals with a breast cancer diagnosis. There are local information events, support meetings and occasional pamper events. There is also a separate Secondary Cancer Group.

Meetings:
Christine Spooner Suite, Ellendune Community Centre, Bennett Way, Wroughton SN2 9LW
Fourth Tuesday of the month 7.30pm - 9.30pm

Secondary Cancer Group
Second Thursday of the month (see website for further information).

Swindon IA (Ileostomy Association) – Swindon’s ostomy and pouch support group
www.swindon-ia.org.uk
Self-help support group and a UK registered charity helping ostomy and pouch patients and their families return to a full and active life, following radical bowel surgery.

Meetings:
Please see www.swindon-ia.org.uk for details
Swindon Bladder Cancer Support Group
www.swindonbladdercancersupport.org.uk
Open to all with a diagnosis of bladder cancer, their families and carers, from diagnosis through treatment and beyond, including those who have a cystectomy. Supported by the Urology Department, GWH, in association with Macmillan and Action on Bladder Cancer.

Meetings:
The Academy Room 2, Lower Ground Floor, GWH
Every six weeks 5.30pm - 7.00pm (see website for dates).

Swindon Prostate Cancer Support Group
Open to all with a diagnosis of prostate cancer, their families and carers, from diagnosis through treatment and beyond. Supported by the Urology / Oncology Department, GWH, in association with Prostate Cancer UK.

Meetings:
The Academy Room 2, Lower Ground Floor, GWH
Every six weeks 6.30pm - 8.00pm (see: uroonccns@gwh.nhs.uk for dates).

HUG Swindon (Haematology / Oncology United Group)
Contact: Irene Brownlee
Email: hugswindon@btinternet.com
For haematology and other cancer patients: friendship and information for patients, relatives and carers.

Meetings:
Blunsden Arms, Thamesdown Drive, Swindon SN26 7AS
Second Monday of the month 11.00am
Swindon Lymphoma Association Support Group

www.lymphomas.org.uk/information-and-support/lymphoma-support-groups/swindon-lymphoma-association-support-group

Helpline for further information: 0808 808 5555

Meetings:
Oval Room, Nationwide Sports Pavilion, Piper’s Way, Swindon SN3 1TA
Third Wednesday of the month 7.00pm

If you have a specific requirement, need an interpreter, a document in Easy Read, another language, large print, Braille or audio version, please call 01865 221 473 or email PALS@ouh.nhs.uk