This leaflet has been provided to answer some of the questions you may have about your Clinical Nurse Specialist / Key Worker at the Nuffield Orthopaedic Centre.

What does the Clinical Nurse Specialist / Key Worker do?

Your Clinical Nurse Specialist / Key Worker is able to offer increased levels of support, advice and guidance to patients with cancer and their families.

All patients with cancer should have access to a Clinical Nurse Specialist / Key Worker. They are usually present with the consultant when a diagnosis is given, but if you are unsure if you have seen one or not please feel free to ask your consultant.

The Clinical Nurse Specialist / Key Worker works closely with hospital nurses, doctors and other healthcare professionals to maximise the independence, dignity and quality of life of people with a cancer diagnosis. They also liaise closely with community carers and GPs to ensure the highest quality of care at home if appropriate.

You will see the Clinical Nurse Specialist / Key Worker at your outpatient appointments, and during your inpatient stay for any surgery.

Your Clinical Nurse Specialist / Key Worker can be contacted either by telephone or bleep 8.00am - 4.00pm Monday to Friday.

Unfortunately there is no emergency service. If you are at home please contact your GP. If you are at hospital please speak to one of your nurses.
What can the Clinical Nurse Specialist / Key Worker offer?

- A contact point for people with cancer at any stage.
- Advice and support for you, your relatives, carers and friends.
- Help with physical symptoms such as pain, nausea and fatigue.
- Advice about your surgery and treatment.
- Advice on homecare if required.
- Information about your illness.
- Someone to talk to about worries or problems.
- Advice on relationship and fertility problems.
- Advice and help on how to manage financial problems.

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Other useful numbers

Macmillan Cancer Support: 0808 808 2020
www.macmillan.org.uk

Sarcoma UK  www.sarcoma-uk.org

Maggie’s Centre Oxford: 01865 225690
If you need an interpreter or need a document in another language, large print, Braille or audio version, please call \textbf{01865 221473} or email \textbf{PALSJR@ouh.nhs.uk}