Bone cancer centres

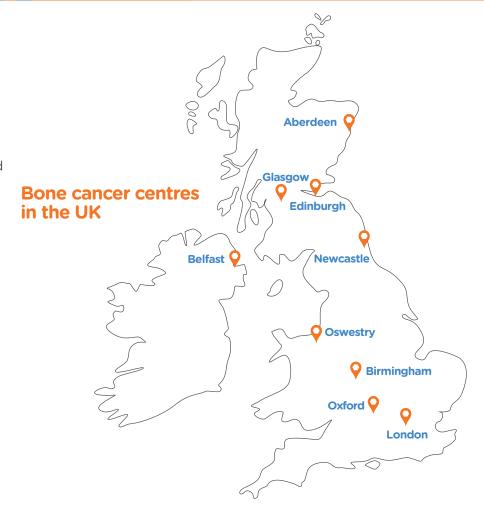
If initial tests show that a primary bone cancer or bone tumour may be present, you will go to (be 'referred' to) a bone cancer centre. These are specialist centres where a group of bone cancer experts will discuss and manage your diagnosis and care together. This group of people is called a 'multidisciplinary team' (MDT).

You will usually be diagnosed and usually have surgery at a bone cancer centre. You may have to travel a long way to get to a centre.

- In England, there are 5 bone cancer centres:
- The North of England Bone and Soft Tissue Tumour Service, The Newcastle upon Tyne Hospitals, NHS Foundation Trust, **Newcastle**
- Nuffield Orthopaedic Centre NHS Trust, Oxford
- Royal National Orthopaedic Hospital, Stanmore, **London**
- The Robert Jones and Agnes Hunt Orthopaedic Hospital NHS Foundation Trust, **Oswestry**
- The Royal Orthopaedic Hospital, **Birmingham**
- In Northern Ireland, there is 1 bone cancer centre at Musgrave Park Hospital, Belfast
- In Scotland, there are 3 bone cancer centres: Aberdeen, Edinburgh and Glasgow

More information about the exact locations of the centres in Scotland can be found on the Scottish Sarcoma Network website: ssn.scot.nhs.uk

 In Wales, there are no bone cancer centres. Patients living in Wales are usually seen at Oswestry or Birmingham.



Hospital treatment centres

The hospital treatment centre that you will visit for bone cancer treatments, such as chemotherapy or radiotherapy will depend on things like where you live, your age and where the cancer is in the body. Your MDT will talk to you about your options.

You can find out more about hospital treatment centres for children, teenagers and young adults from the following organisations:

Children's Cancer and Leukaemia Group (CCLG)

Visit: cclg.org.uk/CSOIR/Principal-Treatment-Centre-and-shared-careunit-information

Call: 0333 050 7654

Teenage Cancer Trust

Visit: teenagecancertrust.org/helpand-support/our-cancer-units

Call: 020 7612 0370

Teenagers and Young Adults with Cancer

Visit: tyac.org.uk/hospitals/

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Call: 0333 050 2589