



Australian Government

Cancer Australia

National Centre for

Gynaecological Cancers

NATIONAL CENTRE FOR GYNAECOLOGICAL CANCERS

Other resources

General cancer support

The Cancer Council Helpline

Telephone 13 11 20

The Cancer Helpline provides general information as well as information on local resources. This service can be accessed from anywhere in Australia for the cost of a local call, connecting to local cancer organisations and support groups.

Cancer Council Australia

Telephone 02 8063 4100

Email info@cancer.org.au

Website www.cancer.org.au

Cancer Council Australia works together with its state and territory member organisations to undertake and fund cancer research, prevent and control cancer and provide information and support for people affected by cancer.

State and territory cancer organisations

State and territory Cancer Councils provide information and educational resources on all types of cancers. To find out about cancer support groups and other local services, contact state or territory cancer organisations and the Cancer Council Helpline.

Cancer Council ACT

www.actcancer.org

(02) 6257 9999

Cancer Council Northern Territory

www.cancercouncilnt.com.au

(08) 8927 4888

Cancer Council NSW

www.cancercouncil.com.au

(02) 9334 1900

Cancer Council Queensland

www.cancerqld.org.au

(07) 3258 2200

Cancer Council South Australia

www.cancersa.org.au

(08) 8291 4111

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Cancer Council Tasmania

www.cancertas.org.au

(03) 6233 2030

Cancer Council Victoria

www.cancervic.org.au

(03) 9635 5000

Cancer Council Western Australia

www.cancerwa.asn.au

(08) 9212 4333

Full contact details for all state and territory

Cancer Councils are available at

www.cancer.org.au/AboutUs/OurMembers.htm

Action and support groups

The Lymphoedema Association of Australia

Website www.lymphoedema.org.au

The Lymphoedema Association provides information on lymphoedema, local services and resources and support. Some states and territories also have regional and special interest support groups.

Australian Council of Stoma Associations (ACSA)

Website www.australianstoma.com.au

ACSA provides patients who have undergone stomal surgery access to local associations and support groups, and information and advice about locally available resources.

Palliative Care Australia

Telephone 02 6232 4433

Email pcainc@pallcare.org.au

Website www.palliativecare.org.au

Palliative Care Australia is the national peak body for palliative care, which aims to work toward the relief of pain and suffering of dying people and the provision of the care they, and their families, need. State and territory contact details can be obtained from the national body.

Continence Foundation of Australia

Telephone 03 9347 2522

Email info@continence.org.au

Website www.continence.org.au

The Continence Foundation of Australia provides information and advice and promotes education, support and research.

National Continence Helpline

Telephone 1800 330 066 (Freecall)

The National Continence Helpline provides free, professional and confidential advice about any continence issue to people with incontinence, their families and carers. The Helpline also provides supplementary information for medical and allied health professionals.

Look Good... Feel Better

National helpline 1800 650 960 (Freecall)

Website www.lgfb.org.au

A community service sponsored by the Cosmetic, Toiletry and Fragrance Association of Australia Inc, to help women undergoing cancer treatment restore their appearance and self-image during chemotherapy and radiotherapy.

CanTeen

Australia wide 1800 226 833 (Freecall)

Website www.canteen.org.au

A national organisation that supports people aged 12–24 with cancer, or who have relatives or friends with cancer.

Services for lesbian women

Peer-based counselling about sexual health/health-related issues is available over the telephone through the Gay and Lesbian Community Services of Australia.

NSW, Qld, Vic and WA 1800 184 527 (Freecall)

SA 1800 182 233 (Freecall)

Tasmania 1800 184 527 (Freecall)

NT 1800 184 527 (Freecall – call will be re-directed to SA contact)

Services for people from culturally and linguistically diverse backgrounds

The Translating and Interpreting Service (TIS)

Telephone 13 14 50 (24 hours a day, 7 days a week – anywhere in Australia for the cost of a local call)

The Translating and Interpreting Service offers both telephone and face-to-face interpreting. If an interpreter is needed to attend an appointment, this will need to be booked a few days in advance. There may be charges involved.

Reading

Margaret Heffernan and Professor Michael Quinn. *The Gynaecological Cancer Guide: Sex, sanity and survival*. Melbourne: Michelle Anderson Publishing Pty Ltd, 2003

Recommended Internet sites

This is not a complete list but gives some indication of what is available.

Australian

Gynaecological Cancer Support

www.gynaecancersupport.org.au

This site provides information about supportive care available to women with gynaecological cancers.

National Breast and Ovarian Cancer Centre

<http://www.nbocc.org.au>

National Breast and Ovarian Cancer Centre (NBOCC) is Australia's national authority and information source on breast cancer and ovarian cancer.

National Cervical Screening Program

www.cancerscreening.gov.au

Information line 13 15 56

This site provides information on cervical screening, including information for consumers and health practitioners. The site also provides state and territory National Cervical Screening Program contacts.

HealthInsite

www.healthinsite.gov.au

This site offers a wide range of up-to-date and quality assessed information on important health topics, including cancer.

GO Fund Gynaecological Oncology

www.gofund.org.au

The GO Fund raises funds to support research into the prevention, early detection and treatment of gynaecological cancer and to create awareness within the community of gynaecological cancer. The website provides general information on gynaecological cancers, stories of survivors, research projects, news and fund raising events.

Peter MacCallum Cancer Centre

www.petermac.org

Peter MacCallum Cancer Centre provides cancer services in Melbourne and throughout Victoria. The website includes information about the institute's services, research and cancer library.

Australian Society of Gynaecologic Oncologists (ASGO)

www.asgo.net.au

This website lists current practising gynaecological oncologists and gynaecological oncology departments.

Gynaecological Cancer Society

www.gcsau.org

Information on this website is for patients, their carers and families, professionals and students. The information is holistic, authoritative and cancer specific, covering the full range of gynaecological cancers.

Australian Cancer Trials

www.australiancancertrials.gov.au

This website provides details of clinical trials in cancer care, including trials that are currently recruiting new participants.

International

Please note that some of the information on websites from other countries might only apply to people in that country.

National Cancer Institute (USA)

www.cancer.gov

This website contains information developed by the US National Cancer Institute for health professionals, the general public, and cancer researchers from a variety of sources.

American Cancer Society

www.cancer.org

This useful site provides information about cancer, including information about the American Cancer Society, its publications, programs and local offices.

Cancerbackup (UK)

www.cancerbackup.org.uk

The UK's leading cancer information service provides information about specific cancer types, including gynaecological cancers.

Institute of Cancer Research (UK)

www.icr.ac.uk

Information about the Institute, plus information for patients and families.

National Comprehensive Cancer Network (NCCN) and American Cancer Society (ACS) Cancer Treatment Guidelines for patients

www.nccn.org

The NCCN and ACS have translated the NCCN Oncology Practice Guidelines into easy-to-understand information that can assist patients and families in making medical decisions. The site also provides information about cancer-related physical symptoms such as fatigue, pain, and nausea and vomiting.

Sources

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The National Centre for Gynaecological Cancers is an Australian Government initiative to improve outcomes for women affected by gynaecological cancers, their families and carers, and to lessen the impact of cancer on their lives. It has been established by Cancer Australia.

Other resources 2010

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