

# Virtual Macmillan Cancer Course for Primary Care

Macmillan Cancer Support recognises that Primary Care plays an important role in providing support and care to the two million people in the UK living with and beyond cancer. A number expected to rise to 4 million by 2030. The cancer story is changing, with cancer now considered a long-term condition. (NCSI 2010) We believe that we can build confidence and knowledge enabling primary care to take an active role in managing cancer as a long-term condition.

Helping to support patients to live well not just longer. This will be the 5th course held in Cornwall. 58% of the practices have a “cancer champion” through this course. Delivery of the course is by Consultants, Clinical nurse specialists and other members of the cancer services Department at RCHT. Sadly due to current circumstances the bulk will be virtual with a compulsory 2 days face to face at the end.

**Open to:** Practice Nurses, District Nurses, GP’s, Paramedics, Pharmacists working in Primary care, with the support of their practice.

**Dates :** The course will run as 5 x 2.5 hr virtual sessions during Feb, March, April 2 face to face in May and June. Dates and timings to be confirmed.

The course is fully funded by Macmillan. We hope that members of the primary care team will adopt a changed pattern of care involving more proactive and scheduled interactions with people living with cancer.

## Course content will include:

- Changing story of cancer and cancer care
- Introduction to cancer from prevention, early diagnosis through to end of life
- Looking at all available treatments
- Consequences of treatment and recurrence
- Communication Skills, difficult conversations
- Recovery Package – undertaking effective cancer care reviews
- Impact of cancer Physical and Psychological
- And Much more !



**For enquiries about the course and to register your interest**  
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**Limited to 12 places per course**

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