

Head & neck cancer

Radiotherapy treatment

Patient information



This leaflet has been designed to give you and your family information about what to expect next:

- Radiotherapy – week course. treatments.
Monday to Friday

If you miss a treatment or there is a bank holiday you may need two treatments in one day. From signing consent treatment usually starts within three to four weeks.

Within the next 7-10 days from the signing of consent:

- You will hear from the radiotherapy planning department with a date for mask fitting
- You will also have a CT scan in your mask for planning purposes (either on the same day or soon after)
- If you require a feeding tube you will hear from the endoscopy/gastroenterology department to arrange an appointment for assessment of this

If you have not done so already you will receive an appointment for a dental assessment in the oral surgery department.

Within 10-14 days from the signing of consent:

- You will receive your treatment schedule

During radiotherapy:

- You will have a weekly treatment review
- If you have any concerns you can discuss with staff in the department or call the numbers you have been given



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