

Rotherham Hospice

Rotherham Hospice is an independent charity providing specialist palliative care services to adults in the Rotherham Borough with a terminal illness.

The Hospice accepts referrals for all adults with any form terminal disease that requires complex symptom management.

The Hospice delivers this care through the following services:

- Inpatient Unit – consisting of 14 single inpatient bedrooms all with en-suite facilities with capacity for bariatric care.
- Day Hospice – providing 15 places a day 5 days a week (excluding bank holidays). Transport for patients to and from the Hospice is also provided.
- Community Care – through the Hospice Community Team that provides Clinical Nurse Specialists covering all of the Borough, a 24/7 Advice Line and a Hospice at Home team delivering hospice care in a patients place of residence.
- Family Services – including Occupational Therapists, Physiotherapists, bereavement support that includes a child bereavement support group and complementary therapies.

The Hospice also provides two Palliative Care Consultants, one Specialist Grade Doctor and some provision for a Clinical Psychologist.

Referrals to the Hospice services can be made in two ways:

- Directly to our Community Team by telephone on 01709 308910. Referrals can be made in writing and sent by fax to 01709 371702.
- Directly to the Inpatient Unit, Day Hospice and other Hospice Services by telephone on 01709 308900. Referrals can be made in writing and sent by fax to 01709 371702.

The Hospice is working towards a single point of referral in the next 12 months.

Current Developments

The Hospice is working with Rotherham CCG on a pilot project that will:

- Develop a coordinated approach to end of life care through the implementation of a Borough wide active end of life care register.
- Increase capacity of the existing Hospice at Home provision to enable more people to receive hospice care and remain in their place of residence, and to reduce hospital admissions.

Future Provision

It is hoped that in the next 6 months the End of Life Care Outpatients service will move from Rotherham Hospital to be based at the Hospice. Main Hospice reception 01709 308900.

