

# Pleural Mesothelioma Surveillance

## Cancer Services

Information for patients

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### What is surveillance?

Surveillance means “close observation”. We sometimes call it “active monitoring”.

It means that we will see you in clinic, talk to you on the telephone and arrange CT scans to keep a close eye on your mesothelioma. Your CT scans will be arranged at regular intervals.

We try to keep the time between you having your CT scan and coming to the hospital to discuss the results to a minimum as we know that this can be an anxious time for you.

### CT scan appointments

You will receive an appointment for a CT scan through the post. If you need to change this, please contact the CT booking line on 0116 258 8765 (option 3). Have your Leicester hospital number ready (starts with letter S).

There needs to be a least **seven to fourteen working days** between your scan and your clinic appointment so that the scan results are ready for us to discuss with you at the appointment. This may be face-to-face or by telephone.

If this is **not** the case, please let us know so that we can change your appointment:

Professor Fennell's clinic co-ordinator 0116 258 6296

Professor Fennell's secretary: 0116 258 7632

Thoracic Surgery secretary: 0116 258 3223

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## New symptoms

If you have new symptoms between your planned appointments, it is important to contact us for advice:

### MCNS contact details

**Usual days at work are: Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday**

**Office telephone:** 0116 250 2615 Non-urgent messages can be left on an answerphone.

**Email:** mesocns@uhl-tr.nhs.uk

**Thoracic Surgery Nurse Specialist: telephone 0116 250 2552**

If you have an **urgent concern** please use the emergency number given to you by your treatment centre.

If you are admitted to hospital for any reason please let your nurse specialist know.

### Common symptoms that you should look out for are:

- pain
- fatigue
- shortness of breath
- cough
- weight loss
- loss of appetite
- new lumps at your wound site

If you have any of the above symptoms you may need to have a CT scan sooner than planned. You may also be advised to contact your GP or community nursing team for advice about how to manage the symptoms.

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