INFORMATION ABOUT OUR SMOKING SHELTER

A LEAFLET FOR PATIENTS AND SERVICE USERS AT CYNTHIA SPENCER HOSPICE

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WHY DID WE BECOME A SMOKEFREE SITE?

Four out of five people don’t smoke. Complaints from patients and the public about smoking at our sites particularly around entrances were increasing. We know that quitting smoking reduces your chances of heart disease and lung cancer as well as improves your sense of taste, makes your skin look younger and reduces stress. That is why we are proud to be smokefree.

PATIENTS USING THE SMOKING SHELTER

As a hospice we at Cynthia Spencer have been given special permission for patients to smoke in a designated smoking shelter that is situated in the rear of the grounds. This shelter is for the use of patients staying at Cynthia Spencer and those attending Day Hospice. Relatives and visitors are required to not smoke on site or anywhere else in the Trust grounds.

SMOKING AT CYNTHIA SPENCER HOSPICE

Members of the public and staff are not allowed to smoke on Trust sites. This includes car parking areas and gardens inside the grounds. Any member of the public smoking within Trust grounds will be requested by a member of Trust staff and asked to stop smoking.

We respectfully ask that visitors do not put staff in the difficult position of having to ask them to stop smoking.
SUPPORT AVAILABLE FOR RELATIVES, VISITORS AND MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WHO SMOKE?

First For Wellbeing offers a range of free stop smoking clinics and services, open to anyone in the county who is willing to stop smoking. The clinics are run by professional advisors and specialists, and can be offered on a one-to-one basis if needed.

To book an appointment please call 0300 126 5700 or email: smokefree@firstforwellbeing.co.uk

IS IT A HUMAN RIGHT TO BE ALLOWED TO SMOKE?

The British High Court (2008) ruled that smoking is not a basic human right. It is reasonable to expect the Trust to take action to preserve the health of patients and staff. Therefore, staff do not have a duty to take patients to the smoking shelter. If individual staff members agree to take patients to the smoking shelter then this will need to be at a time when they are available to do so.

Thank you for your support. If you wish to discuss this further, please see the nurse in charge.