

Information About Your Referral

Thank you for attending the breast assessment clinic.

As we discussed you were recalled to the assessment clinic because of some concern about an area of tissue in your left / right breast.

You had:

Breast x-rays (mammograms)
Breast examination
Ultrasound scan
Needle biopsy

The results of the biopsy:

What happens next?

We will inform your GP practice of this result and we will refer you to see a specialist breast surgeon to organise yearly mammograms. You do not need to see your GP for this referral to take place.

Your first outpatient appointment may be within two weeks, however there is no urgency for this appointment as your next mammogram is not due for one year and some hospitals will send you an appointment within three months.

If you have any questions or concerns before your appointment, please contact the breast care nurse you met today by telephoning 020 8725 2726.

The breast care nurse you met today was.....

Where do I need to go for this appointment?

The Breast Unit, The Rose Centre (on the Perimeter Road), St George's Hospital, Blackshaw Road, London, SW17 0QT

The Breast Team at St. George's University Hospital

Consultant Breast Surgeons: Mr. A Sharma Ms. N. Betambeau

Mr. D. Banerjee Ms. S. Tang

Associate Specialist: Dr Catherine Coleman

Surgical Breast Care Nurses: Tracy Hall & Alison Gent

Tel: 020 8725 4745

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Oncology Breast Care Nurse: Clare Brown

<u>Specialist Nurse Practitioners:</u> Joe Diffley Fiona Butler Manjula Lama

What to expect at your first outpatient appointment

This appointment is usually held on a Monday, Wednesday or Thursday morning.

Your x-rays, scans and biopsy results will have been discussed in a multidisciplinary team meeting prior to your appointment, in order to discuss the most appropriate plan for you. The needle biopsy result and relevant surveillance or treatment options will be discussed with you at your appointment.

You will be told how they will arrange for you to have yearly mammogram appointments.

The doctor/specialist practitioner who you met today was:

The doctor/specialist practitioner who you met at the assessment appointment was

Useful sources of information

Breast Cancer Care: www.breastcancercare.org.uk	Tel: 0808 800 6000
Macmillan: www.macmillan.org.uk	Tel: 0808 808 0000
Cancer Research UK: www.cancerresearchuk.org	Tel: 0808 800 4040
Breakthrough Breast Cancer: www.breakthrough.org.uk	Tel: 0808 010 0200

Contact us

If you have any questions or concerns about your referral, please contact our Clinical Nurse Specialists on 020 8725 2726 (24hour answer phone)

For more information leaflets on conditions, procedures, treatments and services offered at our hospitals, please visit www.stgeorges.nhs.uk

Additional services

Patient Advice and Liaison Service (PALS)

PALS can offer you on-the-spot advice and information when you have comments or concerns about our services or the care you have received. You can visit the PALS office between 9.30am and 4.30pm, Monday to Friday in the main corridor between Grosvenor and Lanesborough Wing (near the lift foyer). Tel: 020 8725 2453 Email: pals@stgeorges.nhs.uk

NHS Choices

NHS Choices provides online information and guidance on all aspects of health and healthcare, to help you make decisions about your health.

Web: www.nhs.uk

NHS 111

You can call 111 when you need medical help fast but it's not a 999 emergency. NHS 111 is available 24 hours a day, 365 days a year. Calls are free from landlines and mobile phones. **Tel:** 111



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