

The Myton Hospice Respite Admission Service

Information for patients



Who is a respite admission for?

The Myton Hospice Inpatient Unit at Warwick offers respite admissions for patients who are aged 18 and over, have a life limiting illness and are registered with a GP in Coventry & Warwickshire. The aim of the service is to provide your carer with a break, this is a planned service and respite is only available for a short stay.

Respite is only available to patients who are being cared for by family or friends at home. Both you and your carer must be in agreement about the need for respite. You don't have to be using any other Hospice services to arrange respite.

How long is a respite admission?

You may request up to one week at a time. Respite admissions of up to two weeks will be considered in exceptional circumstances. You will usually be offered no more than two respite admissions per year.

There is a high demand for our respite beds; it is therefore essential that you are discharged on the agreed date. This enables timely admission of subsequent patients.

If there is any change in your circumstances that might affect the dates of your respite this should be discussed with the allocation team **prior** to admission. If you require additional care, or an alternative place of care, on discharge, this must be arranged by the community team caring for you in advance of your admission to Myton.

Referral process

You can be referred to Myton by your GP, District Nurse, Macmillan Nurse, and Clinical Nurse Specialist or via our Day Hospice team. All referrals will be managed by the hospice Referrals and Discharge team based at Warwick Myton.

You will receive written confirmation of your admission and discharge dates; the team will contact you via telephone

approximately 1 week prior to your admission date to check that your circumstances have not changed.

What should you bring in with you?

You are required to bring in any medication and creams that you are currently using and any dressings that you require.

You will need to provide your own toiletries, clothes and nightwear and you will need to arrange for someone to do your laundry. We request that you do not bring valuables or large sums of money in to the hospice as we cannot take responsibility for their safe keeping.

How much does the service cost?

All our services are provided free of charge. Myton Hospice is a registered charity and we pay for all our services through our fundraising efforts as well as a small grant from the NHS. If you would like to support us or make a donation please talk to a member of our team.



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