SWAG Cancer Alliance GP Treatment Summary: Breast Palliative Care



National Cancer Survivorship Initiative (NCSI) -Working in Partnership

Name	Born	Gender	Hospital No	NHS No

Diagnosis:				
Date of Diagnosis:		Information will already be in place		
Organ/Staging:				
Treatment Aim:		Drop Down Options: Symptom Control / Palliative /End of Life	Indicate from drop down treatment plan	
Treatment Aim Comments:				
Insert patient name has been diagnosed with	n metasta	tic disease		
Local/Distant	Insert re	elevant sites		
Summary of treatment and relevant dates	Add in t	reatment given if not already in place		
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Comments: Add in patient specific informati	on around	d possible side-effects from disease and/ or t	reatments	
Patient may experience the following:				
 Increased risk of premature menopage 	use/infer	tility		
 Lethargy, poor concentration and low 	v stamina			
Emotional problems/anxiety/depress	sion – advi	ice from breast care clinical nurse specialist te	am, patient	
support groups and counselling servi	ces are av	ailable		
Please add in specific symptoms patient	may expe	erience depending on location of metastatic d	lisease:	
If on anthracycline based chemotherapy	or herce	otin - Increased risk of heart failure		
If on Taxane based chemotherapy - Incre	eased risk	of peripheral neuropathy		
If on tamoxifen - Increased risk of devel	oping thre	omboembolic disease such as deep vein thror	nbosis or	
pulmonary embolism – attend A and E if	concerne	d		
Alert symptoms that require referral back to	-			
The following will be automatically inserted				
• Any symptoms of possible disease progression including persistent anorexia and nausea, persistent bone pain,				
jaundice, persistent cough or shortness of breath, persistent headache				
 Signs / symptoms of metastatic spinal cord compression - MSCC Co-Ordinator: Oncology On Call Registrar 				
(provide number)				
Secondary Ongoing Management Plan (Tests				
Patients receiving palliative treatments will I	be routine	ely followed up at - insert treatment centre.	Future treatments	
will depend on the patients' symptoms and any disease progression and may include chemotherapy, radiotherapy,				
endocrine treatment and Herceptin.				

Advise entry onto primary care	Drop Down Options:	Indicate Yes
palliative or supportive care register		/No
DS1500 application completed	Drop Down Options:	Indicate Yes
		/No
Prescription Charge exemption	Drop Down Options:	Indicate Yes/
arranged		No
Contacts for re-referrals or queries:	In Hours: If within 6 weeks of oncology treatment (provide number)	
In Hours Out of Hours	After 6 weeks – refer back to treating consultant or via oncology registrar on	

	call (provide number) Out of Hours: Oncology Registrar On Call (provide number/bleep)
	Breast Care Nurses (provide number)

Referrals made to other ser			
AHP	Menopause/Endocrine support	Sexual dysfunction therapist	Tick relevant
Benefits/Advice Service	Occupational Therapist	Social Worker	boxes or advise
Bowel or bladder Incontinence service	Other	Speech and language therapist	secretary which boxes to tick
Clinical Nurse Specialist	Physical activity	Stoma service	
Complementary Therapist	Physiotherapy	Support Group	
Dietician	Prosthetics service	Vocational Rehabilitation (work)	
District Nurse	Psychologist	Wig service	

Required GP actions in addition to GP Cancer Care Review (e.g. ongoing medication, osteoporosis and cardiac screening):

State the following AS APPROPRIATE:-

Please continue to prescribe Tamoxifen 20mg od / Letrozole 2.5mg od / Exemestane 25mg od / Anastrozole 1mg od/ Zoladex 3 .6mg sc (every 4 weeks)

Summary of information given to the patient about their cancer and future progress :

The following will be inserted UNLESS YOU STATE OTHERWISE:

..... is aware of all the details regarding her breast cancer as documented in the information above. She understands that her cancer is incurable and that she has received treatment with the aim of prolonging survival and controlling symptoms. She is aware that if she has any symptoms of concern she should contact the breast care nurses who will advise on an appropriate course of action.

Additional information relating to lifestyle and support needs:

We have explained the importance of trying to maintain a healthy lifestyle encouraging a healthy weight, well balanced diet, minimal alcohol, regular exercise and smoking cessation.

There are many services available to support patients in their recovery and the Breast Care Nurse Specialists and our Macmillan Support Worker(s) are very happy to discuss any concerns or help with referrals

Insert relevant local information about Cancer Information & Support centres, hospice support, exercise schemes, self-management programmes, support groups etc.