

# Do you have all the information you need?

# Check in with our checklist

This checklist is here to help you make sure you have all of the information you need from your medical team. You can take it with you to your appointments if you feel that would be helpful. If you do not have any of the information in this checklist, ask your Clinical Nurse Specialist (CNS) or medical team.

When you see this symbol 💭 it means there is a free guide available from Target Ovarian Cancer on this topic.

You can download or order free copies of our guides at: targetovariancancer.org.uk/guides or by calling 0808 802 6000

This checklist includes links to more information. If you are viewing this online, click on the words in pink on the list to find out more or visit our website targetovariancancer.org.uk and search for the terms suggested below.

# Need someone to talk to about ovarian cancer?

# Call our nurse-led support line and you'll speak directly to a specialist nurse.

**0808 802 6000** (Monday – Friday from 9am – 5pm) or visit targetovariancancer.org.uk/supportline

Whether you need practical information, or just a listening ear, we're here for you.

## My details:

#### About your diagnosis

When you are diagnosed with ovarian cancer, your medical team will tell you the type, stage and grade of the cancer. You can use the space below to record this information.

#### My diagnosis is...

24-hour chemotherapy helpline
Phone:

About ovarian cancer	l have this	l would like this
<ul> <li>Treatment and care if you're newly diagnosed</li> <li>Read our guide What happens next? - for anyone with a recent diagnosis of ovarian cancer</li> </ul>	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$
Read our online information – search 'newly diagnosed'	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$
<ul> <li>Understanding stage and grade</li> <li>Use our online tool which explains the different stages of ovarian cancer</li> </ul>	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$
<ul> <li>Genetic testing</li> <li>Read our guide Genetic testing and hereditary ovarian cancer – for anyone with ovarian cancer and their families</li> </ul>	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$
Read our online information – search 'genetics'	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$
<ul> <li>Treatment and care if you're a younger woman</li> <li>Read our guide A younger woman's guide to ovarian cancer – for anyone diagnosed under the age of 45 years</li> </ul>	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$
Read our online information – search 'younger'	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$
About your treatment and recovery		
How to prepare for treatment (including prehabilitation)	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$
Treatment options for ovarian cancer	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$
What to expect from surgery	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$

Stoma care	I have this	l would like this
Read our guide – Ovarian cancer and stomas	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$
Your recovery and care after surgery	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$
Coping with lymphoedema	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$
What to expect from chemotherapy Important signs, symptoms and side effects to report on while on chemotherapy and what to do if you experience them	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$
Early menopause and menopausal symptoms If you've had surgical menopause, you should be offered referral to menopause specialists if required	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$
Fertility choices	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$
<ul> <li>Targeted treatments</li> <li>Includes an online tool to find out which PARP inhibitors you may be eligible for</li> </ul>	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$

# If you are experiencing any symptoms or side effects always speak to your medical team.

## Living well with ovarian cancer

Your finances	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$
Complementary therapies	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$
Sex and intimacy	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$
Diet and nutrition	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$
Work and education	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$
Mental health and how to cope with difficult feelings	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$
Talking to your family (including children) about your diagnosis	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$
<ul> <li>Treatment and care if ovarian cancer comes back (recurs)</li> <li>Read our guide - Back here again - for anyone with recurrent ovarian cancer</li> <li>Read our online information - search 'come back'</li> </ul>	0	0
<ul> <li>Treatment and care for incurable ovarian cancer</li> <li>Read our guide - My care, my future - for anyone living with incurable ovarian cancer</li> </ul>	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$
Read our online information – search 'incurable'	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$
<b>Support for you</b> Find out how Target Ovarian Cancer can support you	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$

## Extra support available to you

#### **Online support groups**

Our two private Facebook groups are welcoming and helpful places to connect and chat with other people.

- The Ovarian Cancer Community is a kind, supportive group for everyone affected by ovarian cancer, including friends and family.
- The In Touch group is a safe and supportive space only for those with an ovarian cancer diagnosis.

For more support from Target Ovarian Cancer go to targetovariancancer.org.uk/support-for-you



#### Other organisations

- Look Good Feel Better lookgoodfeelbetter.co.uk
- Macmillan Cancer Support 0808 808 00 00 macmillan.org.uk
- Mind 0300 123 3393 mind.org.uk
- The Samaritans 116 123 samaritans.org
- Cancer Research UK 0808 800 40 40 cancerresearchuk.org
- Working With Cancer workingwithcancer.co.uk
- For support with lymphoedema 020 7351 4480 lymphoedema.org
- For support finding therapists for sexual issues and relationships cosrt.org.uk
- For support with stomas colostomyuk.org (colostomies) or iasupport.org (ileostomies)

## Find trusted information about ovarian cancer



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