

Feedback from Sarcoma Site Specific Workshops

We would like to thank everybody who attended the four workshops organised by the LSESN Sarcoma Advisory Group in April.

The discussions were very useful and we managed to get some very useful feedback

The aim of workshops:

To discuss the shared care pathways for soft tissue sarcomas presenting to site-specific MDT's and ideas on how to improve communication between services.

The main discussion points:

- Attendees expressed a lack of clarity on how to make referrals for sarcomas arising in different sites
- Discussion on which patients need referral to the sarcoma service and when these referrals should occur
- Request for further clarity on roles and responsibilities especially when shared management was involved
- Clear and regular feedback is required between Sarcoma Centres and local Trusts.
- Ensure clear ongoing feedback from Sarcoma Centre to referring Clinicians
- Level of information available for patients by local Trusts when referral is first made to Sarcoma Centres

Action points agreed by sarcoma Advisory Group:

- Site specific pathways will be placed on the LSESN website (<http://www.lsesn.nhs.uk/>)
- Follow up guidance for GIST and Gynaecological Sarcomas to be developed
- Refresh the guidance for histology referrals to the service
- Review referral guidance information on the website.
- Organise further workshops for Sarcoma Network in 2014