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# Oncology

We provide a service to more than 4,000 new patients each year, from East Anglia and beyond. We are a very busy centre: in 2010, 2,020 individual patients were commenced on chemotherapy and over 11,000 treatments were administered.

Our chemotherapy service functions both as a local service for Cambridgeshire and a specialist service for the Anglia Cancer Network (ACN) and beyond. We receive referrals from across our region as well as nationally.

We treat an extensive range of cancers, including:

- Biliary tract
- Bladder
- Bowel
- Brain
- Breast
- Gynaecological
- Haematological
- Head and Neck
- Kidney
- Lung
- Neuroendocrine
- Oesophagus and stomach
- Paediatric
- Pancreas
- Primary liver
- Prostate
- Sarcoma
- Skin

We have expertise in the use of all of the common types of treatment and most of the more specialist ones. They include: cytotoxic chemotherapy, immunotherapy, molecular targeted agents, monoclonal antibodies, hormone therapy. For more information on the treatments we offer, please see [Your treatment > Chemotherapy](#)

We have very close links with the University of Cambridge Department of Oncology and

Haematology. Many of our staff work for both the hospital and the university. This ensures that the high-quality cancer care we offer, is underpinned by excellent research.

We offer a large number of ground breaking new treatments within clinical trials. Addenbrooke's is the hub of the West Anglia Cancer Research Networks and accounts for over two thirds of its activity. In 1022, 1,649 patients treated in our Cancer Centre took part in 169 different clinical trials. For more information, please see our section on Research.

In March 2012, we launched two new and exciting developments to our service:

- We opened a new ward (C9) to treat young patients between the ages of 16 and 24 years in an appropriate environment. Ward C9 - Teenage Cancer Trust Unit
- Our nursing team set up a new service, delivering chemotherapy in two GP practices on a weekly basis, enabling some patients to be treated closer to home. Outreach chemotherapy service: treating patients closer to home