**Chemotherapy**

**Expression of Interest**

Please email this application to Jane Winter, Lead Nurse, Wessex Cancer Alliance (jane.winter1@nhs.net) by 5pm on Friday 26th March 2021. Please ensure individuals named in this form are aware that the Project Team may contact them to discuss this application.

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| **KEY CONTACTS:** | |
| **1. Application key contact:** | *Name/Role/ Organisation /Phone/Email* |
| **2. Proposed Senior Responsible Officer (SRO)** | *Name/Role /Organisation /Phone/Email* |
| **3. Proposed participating lead Trust**  **Proposed participating supporting Trust** | *Trust name:*  *Key Contact: Name/Role/Organisation/Phone/Email*  *Trust name:*  *Key Contact: Name/Role/Organisation/Phone/Email* |
| **SCOPE OF PROJECT:** | |
| The publication of the NHS Long Term Plan 1 sets a new and significant challenge to all those who commission and provide cancer services in England and describes some exciting opportunities for us to make sustained and meaningful improvements in services for people with cancer.  The Achieving World Class Cancer Outcomes2 strategy (as part of the 5 year forward view) details several recommendations including recommendation 33: to encourage the delivery of chemotherapy in the community setting. It is a Cancer Taskforce ambition that the Cancer Alliances take accountability for a number of the recommendations including recommendation 33.  A scoping project completed in 2019 revealed variation in out of hospital chemotherapy services taking place across Wessex.  Covid 19 has created some changed mind sets and working practices. This potentially offers opportunities to operate systemic anticancer therapy (SACT) in a different way.  All hospitals delivering SACT currently have capacity issues and an ever increasing demand for services. This is due to   * increase in activity by 10% annually * aging populations * patients improving outcomes * positive NICE adjudications * developments in immunotherapy * physical constraints of the clinical area * backlog caused by Covid 19   The proposal to move some SACT delivery to outside the hospital has been agreed in principle by all organisations in the Wessex region as a way to manage demand but also improve the patient and staff experience. | |
| **INDIVIDUAL REQUIRED:** | |
| Nurse with advanced theoretical and practical knowledge of SACT and service improvement for 18 months, 3 days/week.  Responsibilities may include but not be limited to:   * Providing professional and clinical leadership to the Wessex Cancer Alliance treatment and care work programme by developing the community chemotherapy service delivery moving forward      * Attend the Wessex Cancer Alliance Board when necessary. * Understanding, communicating and supporting the implementation of national clinical policy relating to the treatment and care elements of the NHS Long term Plan and other key publications * Providing clinical advice to constituent organisations of the Wessex Cancer Alliance (commissioners and providers) in relation to the treatment work programme * Fostering and promote a culture of clinical engagement and influence ensuring the Wessex Cancer Alliance is truly clinically led * Engaging and developing collaborations for quality improvement across whole health communities to facilitate the achievement of the Wessex Strategic Vision for Cancer * Working with national bodies ensuring alignment of policy and service transformation for patients | |
| **REPORTING REQUIREMENTS:** | |
| * To work with the Wessex Cancer Alliance programme team to scope fully the project and produce a project plan for full project submission to HEE SE by 1st May 2021 * Supported by the Wessex Cancer Alliance programme team to report to HEE SE on a minimum of quarterly basis detailing progress, issues, any variations in infrastructure, expenditure, and project’s anticipated benefits/impacts as detailed within the PPD(s) and any forecasted delivery risks. Quarterly reporting dates in 2021 are   + 18 June 2021   + 17 September 2021   + 17 December 2021 * To produce a written evaluation of the project for Wessex Cancer Alliance and HEE SE at project close * To submit an article to a peer reviewed journal describing the project and associated evaluation at project close * To present at a conference describing the project and associated evaluation during the project lifespan or at project close | |

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| **SUPPORTING SIGNATORIES:** | |
| **Senior Responsible Officer** | ***Name:***  ***Role:***  ***Organisation:***  ***Signature:***  ***Date:*** |
| **Lead Cancer Nurse/Lead Nurse** | ***Name:***  ***Role:***  ***Organisation:***  ***Signature:***  ***Date:*** |