

## Transforming specialist cancer surgical services across Greater Manchester

Greater Manchester Health and Social Care Partnership's Theme 3: Standardisation of Specialist and Acute Services workstream aims to improve patient outcomes, experience and choice and streamline processes and patient pathways.

We're supporting the transformation of specialist cancer surgery services for Gynaecological, Oesophago-Gastric and Urological cancers.

One of the major achievements this year has been facilitating and supporting the GM Oesophago-Gastric specialist cancer and complex benign surgery service.



*"The single surgical site at Salford Royal is an important change which will help deliver improved clinical outcomes for patients across Greater Manchester, provide a round the clock specialist OG emergency surgical service for the whole city and unparalleled opportunities for clinical research, working in partnership with our colleagues at The Christie."* Jonathan Vickers, Consultant Surgeon at Salford Royal and Chairman of the GM Oesophago-gastric Cancer Pathway Board.

*"The NHS TU have enthusiastically engaged in ensuring that the 'patient voice' is captured and embedded in service transformation. This has been like a 'breath of fresh air' and has helped to make the role of Patient Representative both fruitful and rewarding".*



*"The NHS transformation unit has been involved in the transformation of cancer services in all the phases that have been undertaken, so right from the beginning in terms of mobilising the project then in the redesign stage, supporting the new way of governance and decision making, and finally the stage we're now in, which is implementation".* Leila Williams, Chief Transformation Officer, NHS Transformation Officer

Find out more



Developing this service from service specification development to implementation has taken 18 months and we've supported it throughout by:

- ✓ Co-designing the specification with clinical and patient engagement
- ✓ Successfully developing and implementing a robust commissioning process
- ✓ Establishing resilient governance structures to secure decisions
- ✓ Supporting strategic level partners to drive the programme forward including negotiating with senior stakeholders to resolve complex issues across the inter-dependent programmes in Greater Manchester

## How can the TU help you, your patients and community?



INSIGHT



ENGAGE



DESIGN



DELIVER

If you would like to find out more about what we do, or you have an area of change you would like to discuss with a member of our team, please get in touch – we would love to hear from you.

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## The TU Way - Sharing the learning

Working as one team across all three programmes has been immensely beneficial. We've been able to share our knowledge and learning and lever efficiencies as and when they're identified. One of the common features of the three cancer programmes has been establishing single service multi-disciplinary teams (MDTs). The new teams have already been set up for the Oesophageal cancer service so, as the Gynaecological and Urological cancer services have yet to establish their new arrangements, we'll be able to use what we've learned already to develop these effectively.

We're also working closely with the Greater Manchester Cancer team and have recently secured agreement for the Gynaecological programme to pilot the national MDT reforms. This is a fantastic opportunity to shape national developments.