All Together Now

Overcoming Obstacles in Multidisciplinary Working

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My Experience

- Lead roles on Paediatric Team
- Conferences and Study Days
- Bookings
- Running Kids Days and Teen Evenings
- Masters
- Job Matching and Job Descriptions
- Caring for People with Cancer Course
- Rep
- Running a unit

My Experience
Obstacles

- Time
- Technology
- Language
- Location
- Habit
Obstacles
Post Radiotherapy Skin Care

Information
Some patients may develop a skin reaction during radiotherapy that is a bit like a sunburn. This will depend on the dose delivered and the area of the body treated. This reaction can continue to develop for 7-14 days after treatment, but will begin to settle after that. It will only occur within the boundaries of the radiotherapy treatment field.

Patients treated at Edinburgh Cancer Centre are provided with skincare advice and creams according to their assessed risk level for a skin reaction (low, medium or high).

Patients at a low risk for a skin reaction are not provided with any creams. If they develop a reaction they may be provided with Diprobase cream.

Patients at a medium risk for a skin reaction are provided with Diprobase cream and advised to apply it every morning and night from the start of treatment. If they develop a reaction they may be provided with Betamethasone 0.1%.

Patients at a high risk for a skin reaction are provided with Disprobase and Betamethasone 0.1%. They are advised to apply the Diprobase twice a day and the Betamethasone once a day from the start of treatment.

Patients are advised to apply any creams that have been provided by the Cancer Centre for two weeks after the completion of treatment, or until their skin reaction settles.
Bookings

Limitations of Booking form

Crowded bookings room

Doctors in bookings room

Different physical locations

Short interactions

Booking form jargon

Trak vs chemo care vs time planner

Leadership

Education

Doctors

Radiotherapy Department
Paediatric Team

Clinical Experience across pathway

Patient Info

Across paediatric pathway

Maintaining team to patient/family relationship while also maintaining relationship between MDT members

Large team

Specialist Language

Communication through gatekeepers

Different hospitals

Different systems for equipment/Transport etc

Clinical Experience across pathway
“A pessimist sees the difficulty in every opportunity; an optimist sees the opportunity in every difficulty.”

-Winston Churchill
Four Pillars of Advanced Practice

- Research
- Education
- Leadership
- Clinical Practice
Community Liaison Expert Radiographer
Any Questions?