

ADMIRAL NURSE REFERRAL FORM	
<b>FAMILY/CARER</b>	<b>PERSON WITH DEMENTIA</b>
Name:	Name:
Date of Birth:	Date of Birth:
Address:	Address:
Telephone Numbers	Diagnosis:
Home:	When was the dementia diagnosed?
Mobile:	
What is their relationship to the person with dementia?	Does the person with dementia have a Lasting Power of Attorney in place?
Are they their main carer? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	Is this for:
Are they next of kin? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	Finances <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO
Consent obtained for referral? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	Health and Welfare <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO
GP name:	Consent obtained for referral? <input type="checkbox"/>
GP address:	YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO
GP tel:	GP name:
	GP address:
	GP tel:
Professionals Involved	
Consultant:	MacMillan Nurse:
Tel:	Tel:
District Nurse:	Clinical Specialist:
Tel:	Tel:
Community Mental Health Team:	Others:
Tel:	Tel:
Reason for contacting Admiral Nurse	
<p><b>Any risks/concerns regarding lone working for Admiral Nurse to be aware of?</b></p>	
Referrer contact details	
Name:	Profession:
Address:	Tel:

Please complete and return referral form to: [necne.referrals@nhs.net](mailto:necne.referrals@nhs.net)

If you have any queries about referrals please contact the Admiral Nurse, Maya Gorton on 0191 285 0063 on EXT 2188 or 07725 740 621

## **Guidance on the Admiral Nurse Service**

### **What is an Admiral Nurse?**

Admiral Nurses are specialist dementia nurses who give expert practical, clinical and emotional support to families living with dementia. They work alongside people with dementia, and their families: giving them one-to-one support, expert guidance and practical solutions.

Admiral Nurses work with people and families affected by all types of dementia, including Alzheimer's disease, vascular dementia, frontotemporal dementia and dementia with Lewy bodies.

### **How can an Admiral Nurse help?**

- If communication gets hard, an admiral nurse can help with skills and techniques to help with communication.
- If someone with dementia is showing signs of fear or distress, an admiral nurse will work with staff and/or family carers to find the best ways of preventing or managing this.
- If family members are struggling to cope, an admiral nurse can help get the best possible additional care and support.
- If family carers have questions that need answering, an admiral nurse will take the time to really understand the problem, and give expert support.

**The Admiral Nurse Service at St Oswald's Hospice is to support those living with advanced dementia and their carers. Please consider the following signs that the person living with dementia is entering the later stages:**

- The person with dementia is more withdrawn and less communicative
- Changes in dietary intake – reduced food and fluid
- Reduced mobility
- Increased falls
- Reduced functioning
- Increased infections with reduced times between infections
- Not responding to treatment
- Skin changes
- Multiple hospital admissions
- Incontinence

### **Who can refer?**

Referrals are accepted from General Practitioners, consultants, specialist palliative care teams or other healthcare professionals in consultation with the patient's doctor.

Referrals will be considered from primary care, hospitals, nursing homes and other care facilities.

### **Where from?**

The Admiral Nurse will accept patients from Newcastle upon Tyne related to where their GP is based.

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