Completion of Radiotherapy

What happens at my last radiotherapy appointment?

When you attend for your final radiotherapy treatment a radiographer will advise you of the arrangements for your follow up appointment with the doctor.

How long will the side effects continue?

The peak of the reaction is approximately 10-14 days after treatment finishes.

This means that your side effects may continue for several weeks after finishing treatment.

Continue with the skin care advised by the radiographers for this time. If you have been given any creams or gels by the radiographers continue with these.

The skin in the treatment area will also be more sensitive in the sun, therefore use a high factor sun block in the area if you are out in the sun.

Continue taking any medication that may have been prescribed for you to help with side effects of the radiotherapy if they are needed.

Who do I contact if I am worried?

If you have any concerns after your radiotherapy you can call the department for advice; La2 01225 825910/La3 01225 821822 - Monday-Friday 8am-3:30pm

If you have a specialist care nurse you can also contact them.

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