What is Neuroendocrine Cancer?

Our bodies are made up of billions of cells including neuroendocrine cells. Neuroendocrine cells, in health, help regulate our bodily functions by releasing small molecules that circulate throughout the body and work like hormones. Neuroendocrine cancers occur when these neuroendocrine cells stop working normally and start to grow or behave abnormally.

These cancers may also be referred to as NETs, NECs, NENs (Neuroendocrine Neoplasms) or even Carcinoids.

Neuroendocrine Cancer affects more than 36,000 people a year in the UK, can occur in people of any age or gender and can develop in many places throughout the body.

About NCUK

A diagnosis of cancer is one of the greatest challenges anyone can face. Being diagnosed with a rare or uncommon cancer can have additional consequences, not least in terms of awareness, early diagnosis and access to expertise.

Neuroendocrine Cancer UK exists to support and inform patients and families from diagnosis, enabling access to the best care and treatment, whilst stimulating Neuroendocrine Cancer research, increasing national awareness and influencing improvements in outcomes. Visit our website to read more about our work.
Support

Our community tell us about the kind of support they believe is needed. As a small charity we listen to drive change, using the resources available to us.

“When I was diagnosed with Neuroendocrine Cancer in my small intestine, NCUK was a complete lifeline for me - I can quite confidently state that this organisation quite possibly saved my life. Without the sensible, kind and well timed advice I was given, I would not have been able to access the specialist care and follow up I needed.”

*NCUK Service User*

What we do

- A dedicated freephone nurse helpline
- Local and online Natter support groups
- Facebook groups for patients and supporters
- Patient education events
- A dedicated counselling service
- Campaigns providing a voice to the community - Faces of NCUK© and MIND the Gap©
- Advocacy - raising and supporting the community’s voice with policy and decision makers
- Provision of patient information resources on our website, to hospitals and cancer support organisations
- Research - we undertake in-house research as well as supporting external clinical trials.
There are so many ways that you can support Neuroendocrine Cancer UK, from holding your own fundraising event to setting up a monthly donation.

Donate now at www.neuroendocrinecancer.org.uk

Other ways you can help:
• Fundraise for NCUK
• Give as you Live
• Amazon Smile
• Leave a legacy
• Choose us as your company charity.

Thank you.

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