



St Vincent's Hospice

the little hospice with the big heart

About the Supportive Care Clinic?

What is it?

It's an outpatient clinic based at St. Vincent's Hospice.

Who is it for?

Any patient with a life-limiting illness regardless of diagnosis or prognosis who might benefit from:

- Pain or Symptom Management
- Support with Advance Care Planning

• A discussion around their needs, the needs of their family, and what supportive and palliative care could offer them

Who can refer?

Any health professional who knows the patient can refer.

How to refer:

Referrals can be sent via SCI Gateway or on a hospice referral form (available via our website) emailed to <u>ggc.svh@nhs.scot</u>

For an informal discussion or any other enquiries, please phone us on 01505 705635.

What is meant by Supportive and Palliative Care?

The Supportive Care Clinic is one of many services provided by the Supportive and Palliative Care Team based at the hospice.

Supportive and Palliative Care is the care of patients with life-limiting illnesses. These may include cancer, neurological conditions (e.g., Motor Neurone Disease, Parkinson's or Dementia) and other conditions such as Chronic Lung Disease, Heart Failure, etc.

Being referred to supportive and palliative care does not imply anything about prognosis - the hospice supports some patients for many years, and some who are approaching the end of their life. Instead, we work in a person-centred way, focusing on the management of pain and other symptoms, and providing psychological, spiritual, and social care. Our aim is to achieve the best quality of life for our patients and their families.

For information on other services available through the hospice, please visit our website: <u>www.stVincentsHospice.org</u>





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