

Living with and beyond cancer



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WANTED: Your views on living with and beyond cancer

Have you ever been diagnosed with cancer? Has anyone in your family been diagnosed with cancer? Do you live in Scotland? If you answered yes to any of these, we would like to hear from you.

We are looking for volunteers to be involved in a study that is being carried out in Scotland by the Cancer Care Research Centre.

What are the aims of the study?

We wish to hear your views so that we can answer the following two questions:

1. What are patients and their family members' experiences of living with and beyond cancer?
2. How do people's needs change over time, following diagnosis?

What would volunteering involve?

If you volunteer to take part, we will ask you to tell us what areas of your life have improved, worsened or stayed the same since diagnosis.

You can tell us by telephone, by letter or by email. It is up to you.

Are you the right volunteer for the study?

To volunteer for this study you have to:

- Be living in Scotland
- Have had a cancer diagnosis yourself or have a family member with a cancer diagnosis
- ...and the cancer diagnosis was at least a year ago and no more than 20 years ago

We want the views of men and women, young and old, people living in rural and urban areas and people with different cancer diagnoses.

Will your views be kept confidential?

We will not reveal your name or contact details to anyone. We will not use your real name in any of the reports that we write.

What will happen to the results of the study?

The results will inform future health and social care service planning and development so that the needs and concerns of people living with and beyond cancer are met.

Macmillan Cancer Support will circulate the report to policy-makers in the Scottish Government, to health and social care professionals and patient and carer support groups.

The report will be available on the Macmillan Cancer Support web site.

What next?

If you would like to volunteer, please contact Gill Hubbard or Liz Forbat saying that you wish to volunteer for the *Living with and beyond cancer* study. We will then give you further information about the study. You can contact us by telephone, email or by post.

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