

Mount Vernon Cancer Centre (MVCC) Collaborative Working Project (CWP) Executive Summary

Project title	A CWP to develop MVCC neuro-oncology oral Systemic Anti-Cancer Therapy (SACT) out-patient clinics.
Project rationale	<p>In line with the national cancer plan, local MVCC strategy and the advent of additional cancer treatment options for neuro-oncology Low Grade Glioma (LGG) patients, MVCC anticipates a need to develop neuro-oncology LGG oral SACT out-patient clinics, led by an Oncology Pharmacist (OP).</p> <p>To this end, there have been scoping conversations between the MVCC pharmacy team (NHS team) and Servier to develop an 18-month CWP which enables the development and introduction of OP led LGG neuro-oncology oral SACT out-patient clinics.</p>
Project objectives	<p>The overall aim of the CWP is to develop an OP led LGG neuro-oncology oral SACT out-patient clinic service at MVCC. This service will aim to help MVCC develop capacity, meet demand, manage waiting times and for the service to be financially sustainable after the CWP finishes. It will also aim to provide high-quality oral SACT and consistent care for these patients. For the avoidance of doubt prescribing decisions by the NHS team and OP will be completely independent and not influenced by the CWP working partnership with Servier.</p> <p>Patients</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Swift and efficient referral of suitable patients to MVCC for oral SACT. - Timely access to care, tailored advice, education, close monitoring, counselling and ongoing treatment. - Bloods taken and medicines dispensed on the day of patient consultations or medicines delivered to patients' homes. - Standardising the taking and of testing bloods, monitoring and adverse event management for optimal patient care. <p>NHS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Trained OP to run the neuro-oncology LGG oral SACT out-patient clinics with a protocol in line with national / NICE guidelines. - Increased capacity to manage demand and waiting times. - Shine cancer support charity specialist consultation and communication skills training for the OP and NHS staff. - Aggregated patient satisfaction results to assess improvements. - Increase in clinically coded activity, linked to tariffs, and a reduction in Did Not Attend (DNA) rates for system efficiency and long-term financial sustainability summarised in a project outcomes summary report. <p>Servier</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Build relationships and develop a trusted partnership with the NHS team. - Gaining insight into the demands of the NHS, how the NHS team have developed services and to share with other sites via a project outcomes summary report.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The collaboration may enable more patients to access treatments in line with NICE guidance which may include Servier's medicines.
Project period	June / July 2026 to December 2027 / January 2028
Financial arrangements	<p>The total cost of the OP, over 18 months, to run the neuro-oncology LGG oral SACT clinic is estimated at £103,200 with a 50% contribution coming from the NHS and a 50% contribution coming from Servier.</p> <p>The total cost of staff time dedicated to the CWP is £19,000 with an 84.2% contribution from the NHS team and 15.8% contribution coming from Servier for SDM project management support.</p> <p>Servier will also fully fund, 100%, £660, for the Shine cancer support consultation and communication (non-medical) skills training sessions. All Servier funding will be disclosed on the Association of British Pharmaceutical Industry Database, Disclosure UK website.</p>
Plans for publication	The co-production and publication of a project outcomes summary report and poster for the NHS team and Servier to share the CWP benefits with other NHS organisation to stimulate service development partnerships at 18 months.
Contact details	<p>Vikash Dodhia - Head of Pharmacy, MVCC and Digital Lead Cancer Services</p> <p>Wendy Ng - Cancer Lead Pharmacist at MVCC:</p> <p>Tabitha Achim - Advanced OP at MVCC (supervisor of the new CWP role)</p> <p>Brian Howson – Servier Service Delivery Manager (SDM): brian.howson@servier.com</p>
Summary of the roles and responsibilities of each party	<p>NHS team will undertake the following elements in relation to the CWP estimated at 60 hours:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Recruitment, training and enabling OP to run new clinics. - Management and clinical oversight and supervision of OP / new clinics. - Engagement with the regional MDT to inform on new neuro-oncology LGG oral SACT clinic service at MVCC. - Clinic protocol and patient satisfaction questionnaire generation. - NHS Team / OP participation in Shine cancer support training program. - Collection and collation of clinical coded activity data stemming from clinics. - Participation in quarterly project meetings with Servier SDM to monitor progress of CWP to 3 monthly milestones. - Co-production of CWP summary report / poster. <p>SDM project management support throughout CWP estimated at 40 hours:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Ongoing liaison with NHS team and discuss any CWP issue resolution and actions the NHS team may take. - Arrange and coordinate Shine cancer support charity consultation and communication skills training.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Organise and facilitate quarterly CWP project meetings to track CWP progress to 3 monthly milestones and record meeting minutes.- Send regular email summaries of CWP progress to the wider MVCC NHS team.- Receive and assemble CWP data from project meetings and draft CWP project outcomes summary report and poster, in conjunction with the NHS team for publication.
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