

Supporting Cancer Services in the Community

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TCP Homecare is the **largest** private provider of direct to patient **clinical homecare** services in the healthcare sector in Ireland with over **20 years** of experience.

IV Home Infusion Service for Orphan Drug Products

Immunoglobulin Home Support Programme

Delivering the National IV Antibiotic (OPAT) in the Home Service on behalf of the HSE

Returning **40,000 Beds Days** in 2023 to the acute hospital sector

Delivering circa 72,000 x Patient Home Visits in 2023







Cancer Services In Ireland:

Demand for cancer diagnostics and treatment services continue to grow in line with our growing and aging population.

The National Cancer Registry of Ireland (NCRI) estimates that there will be a 97% increase in the incidence of cancer in Ireland between 2010 and 2040

Progress has been made under the National Cancer Strategy 2017-2026:

However, cancer services continue to struggle to meet demand





Challenges hospitals are currently facing



Facilitating
increasing numbers
of patients
receiving Systemic
Anti - Cancer
Therapy (SACT)



Supporting increasing patient numbers with inadequate infrastructure and resources



Lifelong treatment plans for cancer patients

Maintenance therapies taking up acute spaces in day wards



Long patient waiting times



Why Develop Community Oncology Services











Support hospitals and pharmacy departments who are overburdened with capacity and resourcing challenges through a shared care approach



Collaborative working Build trusting professional
relationships between
hospitals and private
partners to enhance
patient care



Reduce waiting times & improve access for patients to evidence-based, quality, community oncology services



Enhance the care provided to patients & positively impact lives of patients & families



Our Solution & Expertise

Patient remains under the clinical governance and care of the referring clinician

Shared care

Treatment pathways remain consistent with those expected in the hospital setting

In house quality department supporting service set ups, clinical audit, and risk management

TCP Pharmacy dispensing of non-compounded SACT medicines

Electronic patient
management system
supporting instant
communication of clinical
nursing notes back to
referring clinicians

Working to approved hospital and NCCP SACT protocols

Model of Care





Clinically appropriate patients are referred by their HCP for pre-approved outreach services



Patients are clinically screened for suitability by TCP oncology team



Prescriptions sent to TCP pharmacy for clinical screening



TCP Administrative support team provide introductory welcome call to patient



Dedication oncology team liaise closely with hospital HCP to confirm patient status and all clinical details before placing drug order with TCP pharmacy



Prescribed product is dispensed per patient and delivered to outreach clinic for benchtop preparation by oncology nursing team in the clinic



Each patient undergoes a nurse led assessment before administration of SACT



Any adverse events reported by patient are reported back to referring clinician following the Common Criteria for Adverse Events tool



The product is checked and administered safely by TCP Homecare's dedicated oncology nursing teams.



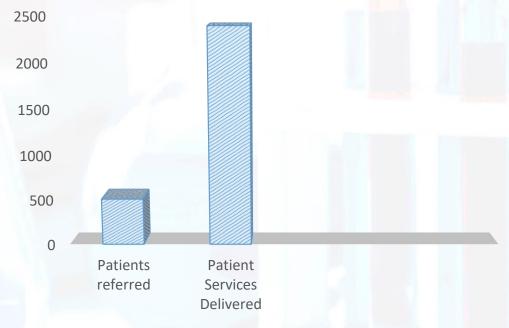
Our Experience

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- Partnered with NCCP designated cancer centres in the delivery of cancer outreach services
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- Risk assessed and developed protocols for multiple SACT products
- Delivered > 2,800 cancer services to patients via our outreach clinics since 2022
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- Experience working with the national computerised system for oncology patient data and prescribing The National Cancer Information System (NCIS)
- TCP pharmacy dispensing and cold chain delivery of non-compounded SACT medicines to outreach clinics



Community Oncology An example in practice

Galway Oncology Outreach Services Jan-Nov 2022



The roll out of this service allowed for the return of time and resources to the day oncology services.

One month after commencement of service Galway University Hospital oncology department returned KPIs of **100%** to NCCP

Service Successes:

- ✓ No patient complaints
- ✓ No HCP complaints
- ✓ No clinical incidences
- ✓ All treatments delivered on time and on schedule
- ✓ Patient experience survey demonstrated 100% patients were satisfied with the outreach clinic service



Conclusion



Home/community-based oncology treatments and disease management may enhance quality of survival time for patients with a cancer diagnosis



Providing community oncology services helps reduce the burden on healthcare resources while maintaining clinical benefits of treatment

