SCOTTISH TRAUMA NETWORK

NHS Greater Glasgow and Clyde

Major Trauma Coordinator Team

Queen Elizabeth University Hospital



What is a Major Trauma Centre?

The Queen Elizabeth University Hospital (QEUH) in Glasgow is the Major Trauma Centre for adults in the West of Scotland. This means that our hospital has all of the necessary specialty expert teams, who can provide the best care for the most severely injured patients. Having everyone under the same roof helps to give patients the best chance of receiving expert immediate care and a tailored recovery plan.

Although our hospital may not be the closest hospital to you and your family, it is a regional centre. Therefore, we are able to make sure that our dedicated specialist medical and surgical facilities meet your care needs.

Major Trauma Coordinators

If you or your relative has been admitted to the Major Trauma Centre following a significant injury, then we would hope that you will meet one of our Major Trauma Co-ordinators.

Our Co-ordinators help streamline the trauma pathways and your journey through the hospital and beyond.

They liaise closely with patients and relatives from admission until your discharge or until you go back to your local hospital, acting as a regular point of contact. They help to establish your rehabilitation needs with the necessary and relevant teams (Physiotherapists, Occupational Therapist, Dieticians, Orthotics, Speech and Language and more).

What to expect

The Major Trauma Co-ordinators will aim to meet you as soon as possible after your relative's admission to hospital.
When we meet with you, we will:

- gather as much information about your relative's injuries!
- explain the key members of the teams looking after your relative at each point.

We will provide you with information and advice about what is happening throughout your relative's treatment and their rehabilitation.

What happens next?

While your relative is in hospital we will be making plans for the next stage of their journey. In many cases this is making sure that everything is in place for discharge home i.e. out-patient follow up, communicating with District Nurses, community occupational therapist etc.

On most occasions, it will be necessary to transfer your relative back to their local hospital for further rehabilitation. The Major Trauma Co-ordinator will organise this and keep you up to date. We liaise closely with the Major Trauma Coordinators in local hospitals to make sure that the transfer closer to home is a smooth process.

How can we be contacted?

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