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Useful websites

Epilepsy Society: www.epilepsysociety.org.uk

Epilepsy Action: www.epilepsy.org.uk

DVLA: 0300 790 6806

Royal United Hospitals Bath NHS Foundation Trust Combe Park, Bath BA1 3NG 01225 428331 www.ruh.nhs.uk

Please contact the Patient Advice and Liaison Service (PALS) if you require this leaflet in a different format, or would like to feedback your experience of the hospital.

Email <u>ruh-tr.pals@nhs.net</u> or telephone 01225 825656/826319.



Adult Epilepsy Specialist Nurse Service

Neurology Department Patient Information



About the Adult Epilepsy Specialist Nurse Service



The Epilepsy Specialist Nurse (ESN) Service offers ongoing care for people with epilepsy by providing specialist information, support, education and guidance from the initial diagnosis of epilepsy. There is a nurse-led clinic where you can be reviewed face-to-face or by telephone, and a telephone advice line voicemail service.

The Epilepsy Specialist Nurse (ESN) can offer:

- Information about epilepsy diagnosis and classification of seizure types.
- Advice about medication and possible side effects, including guidance on reducing or changing treatment.
- Advice on dealing with seizures.
- Advice about safety and lifestyle implications.
- Access to written information or online information about epilepsy, treatment options and lifestyle issues.
- Support for care homes/ workplaces/ universities etc. in writing health care plans.
- Support with transition from child to adult services.
- Support before and during pregnancy.

Telephone advice line

You can contact the ESN on 01225 825856

This is a voicemail service. Please leave a message with the following information:

- Your name, hospital number and/ or date of birth.
- Brief details of the reason for the call.
- A telephone number we can call you back on during working hours.

The nurse will attempt to return your call within 3 working days, Monday to Friday. Sometimes it will take longer to return your call due to other commitments and in this situation you could contact your consultant's secretary for advice.

<u>Important</u>

This is not an emergency service. You should not use this service to obtain urgent medical advice.

In an emergency, you should contact your GP, dial 111, or attend your nearest Emergency Department by ambulance if necessary.