
Brent Sickle Cell Advice and Support Service (Brent SCASS)

The Sickle Cell Society is now providing a new advice and support service to people in Brent living with sickle cell disorders. This new service will visit people at home and in hospital and aims to:

- Reduce A&E attendance and hospital admissions
- Enable people with sickle cell disorders to better manage their own care and treatment
- Enable people with sickle cell disorders to become more confident and informed health service users
- Improve primary and community care awareness of the needs of people with sickle cell disorders

This new service is for adults with sickle cell disorders registered with a Brent GP. It is specifically for:

- Those recently seen in hospital for an acute pain crisis or sickle related illness
- Those about to be discharged from hospital
- Those thought to be at risk of being admitted



Why is this service necessary/important in Brent?

The number of people in Brent living with sickle cell disorders based on the population census is estimated at 450 people and increasing.

The Brent Sickle Cell Advice and Support Service was launched in June 2015 and is funded by Brent Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG). It has been developed in partnership with Brent Sickle Cell & Thalassaemia Centre, London North West Hospitals NHS Trust, Brent CCG and the Sickle Cell Society.

We will provide

- Signposting to other services including introduction to a local Sickle Cell Support Group
- Practical help (such as light shopping, collecting prescriptions)
- Emotional support and encouragement of self care
- Advocacy

How can I access this service?

Any health or social care professional can refer you to this new service. Self and carer referrals will also be accepted.

Please contact us via the details on the back of this leaflet.

About us:

The Sickle Cell Society is a national charity set up in 1979. It was formed by a group of patients, parents and health professionals who were all concerned about the lack of understanding and the inadequacy of treatment for people with sickle cell disorders. You can find out more about the work the society does on our website.

Our vision is to ensure that all people with sickle cell disorders receive prompt and appropriate care, support and advice enabling them to maximise their levels of well being and independence

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Do you need advice or support?
Do you live in the Borough of Brent?
If so, we would like to hear from you...