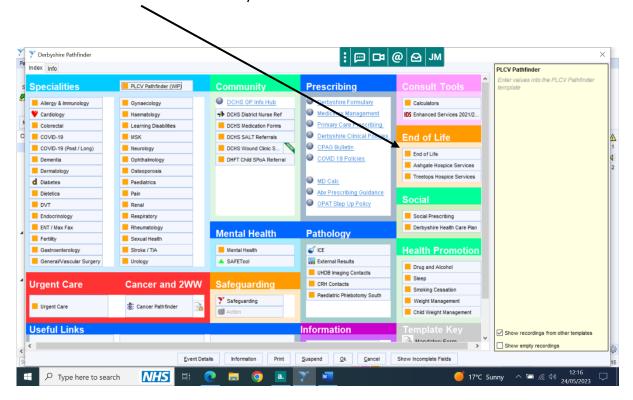
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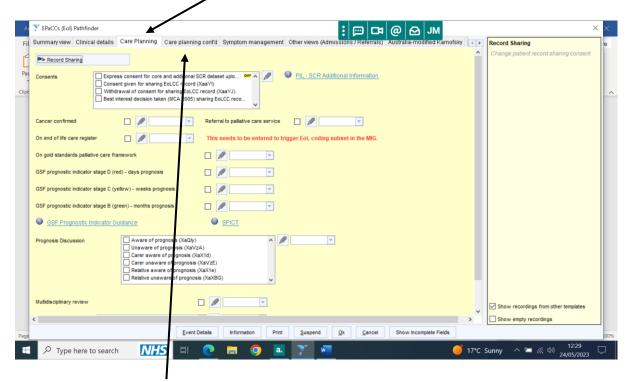
Please use 'End of Life' tab on Derbyshire Pathfinder



On here you will find links to useful local guidelines, the local community palliative care team referral form and EPaCCs (EoL)

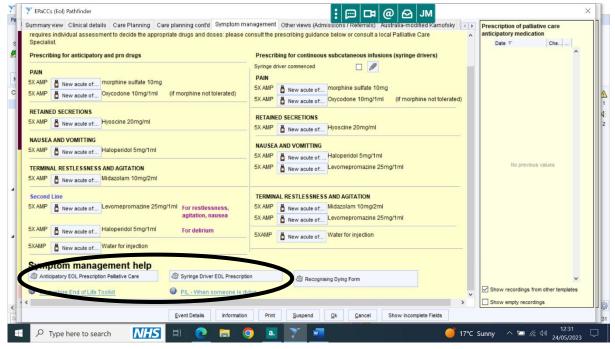


For all palliative patients please use the Care Planning tab on EPaCCs to code EoL patient as being on the GSF and tick an indicator (green, yellow or red). When doing this for the first time for a patient please task 'Palliative Admin' to inform them the patient is being added to the palliative register.



Under the 'Care Planning Cont'd' tab you will find the most up to date version of the ReSPECT form and Derbyshire HealthCare Plan. Please fill both in for all palliative patients. Please task the 'RightCare Admin Team' to inform them these have been completed so a copy can be sent to DHU and the patient.

Please use the EPaCCs template under the 'symptom management' tab for prescribing EoL medication under the symptom management tab. You will also find on this tab the Just in Case/Anticipatory and Syringe Driver directives. Please ensure these have a **handwritten signature** and are scanned onto the patients notes for the District Nurses to access.



Below are some useful numbers when dealing with palliative patients.

District Nurse Hub (8am - 6pm) - 01332 564900

Community Palliative Care Team – 01332 787582 (same day advice or to speak to a Palliative Registrar/Consultant)

Palliative Care Urgent Response Service - 0300 1000 404 option 5 (between 8am and 6pm) OR 0844 412 2235 (between 6pm and midnight)

Red Line Number - 01332 274607 (to give to patients in last days of life to have easier access to the surgery by phone, please task palliative admin when giving this number out so a note can be added to the records)

Please send accurx templates 'End of Life - Patient Contact Numbers' when prescribing anticipatories or syringe drivers and accurx template 'End of Life - Red Line Number' if patient is in the final days of life.