

Admiral Nurse Service



Admiral Nurses provide specialist Dementia expertise; working with both families/carers and the person with Dementia.

Our Admiral Nursing service at Dougie Mac will ensure that local people are offered specialist care as they approach end of life.

In partnership with



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Background



Q: Why the name Admiral Nursing?

Admiral Nurses were named by the family of Joseph Levy, CBE BEM, who founded the charity Dementia UK. Joseph had Vascular Dementia and was known affectionately as "Admiral Joe" because of his love of sailing.

Q: Why an Admiral Nurse at the Douglas Macmillan Hospice?

Many people live well with Dementia and have long fulfilling lives. However, Dementia is a life-limiting condition. As people with Dementia approach the end of life phase it is important that they and their families receive specialist, person-centred palliative care.

Q: Aspects of the Role

Future Care Planning – It is very important for the person with Dementia and their families to have conversations about the future, so their wishes and preferences are known. This information can be captured in a document so everyone is aware of the person's wishes.

Relationship-centred Working – Supporting families / carers of the person with Dementia and balancing the needs of everyone to formulate an agreed plan of care; providing carers and families with emotional support and resilience.

Accessing Appropriate Service – Having the knowledge of services that may offer support, liaising and referring where appropriate to other agencies.

Training – To carers and healthcare professionals to increase knowledge and confidence when caring for a person with Dementia at end of life.

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