

## Help is a Phone Call Away

If you are having side effects related to your cancer treatment, please contact:

### Symptom Support Telephone Service



During the day:  
Cancer Centre Symptom Support  
705-728-9090 x43333



Evenings, weekends and holidays:  
CAREchart 1-877-681-3057

Please visit [www.rvh.on.ca](http://www.rvh.on.ca) for the latest information and hours of operation.

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## Finished Treatment Instructions (Vaginal HDR Brachytherapy)

*For patients undergoing high dose rate (HDR) brachytherapy for their vaginal, cervical, or uterine/endometrial cancer.*

### What's next?

Your radiation oncologist or radiation therapist will discuss your follow up plan with you on the last day of treatment. A follow up phone call will be booked 2 weeks after your last treatment. The follow up phone call date and time will be provided to you.

In the weeks after your last treatment, you may find this to be an emotionally difficult time. Some people are very excited to be finished, but others find it difficult for many reasons.

#### **The date and time of your follow up phone call will be:**

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ AM / PM

#### **The date and time of your follow up appointment with the radiation oncologist will be:**

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ AM / PM

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**If you have any concerns about how you are feeling:**

Call the Symptom Support Telephone Service (see the back of this pamphlet for details).

Make an appointment for a counselling session with a social worker (call 705-728-9090 x43520 for an appointment).

***Will I have side effects after my treatment is finished?***

The effects of radiation continues, even after your treatment is finished.

Please refer to the *Vaginal HDR Brachytherapy* patient education booklet that was given to you before the start of your radiation treatments. The booklet has information about the possible side effects and body changes you may notice. However it is most likely you will not notice any side effects or body changes at all. You can also go to [www.rvh.on.ca](http://www.rvh.on.ca) for an online version of the booklet.

***Follow-up care instructions***

☐ Skin care:

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☐ Medications:

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☐ Vaginal dilators:

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☐ Other:

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