March 2nd 2018

**We would like to invite you to join XXXX hospital’s Emergency Laparotomy Patient Support Group.**

We recognise the hard work you have put in so far to recovering to a point to be able to leave hospital and we hope you are recovering well.

Our aim, as your emergency laparotomy team, is to help you get back to your life as you were before you had your surgery.

Therefore, we would like to continue to support you on this journey and invite you to join us for our Emergency Laparotomy Patient Support Group.

The support group occurs regularly and is an opportunity for you and your family and friends to join our expert team of Consultant Anaesthetists, Consultant Surgeons and ICU/HDU Doctors and Nurses to talk about your time in hospital, how you are getting on and any problems that you may be facing in a relaxed environment over a cup of tea or coffee.

It will be an opportunity to meet other people who have been through similar experiences to you and we will have various speakers, for example about stoma care, joining us.

In addition to this our ambition, as well as supporting you to a full recovery, is to learn directly from you at these meetings to enable us to use what you tell us to improve care for our future emergency laparotomy patients

Dates 2018

March 7th 1000-1200 Ultrasound Seminar Room

June 15th 1000 – 1200 Common Room, Post Graduate Centre

September 5th 1000 – 1200 Ultrasound Seminar Room

Please do phone xxxxx on xxxxxxx or email xxxxxxxxxx if you would like to come along, and see our facebook page for more details.

If you would like more information on Emergency Laparotomy Surgery please visit www.nela.org.uk

We look forward to welcoming you to one, or all of these events very soon,

With best wishes,

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