Avelumab with axitinib for untreated advanced renal cell carcinoma

Information for the public
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Avelumab (Bavencio) with axitinib (Inlyta) is available through the Cancer Drugs Fund as a possible treatment for untreated advanced renal cell carcinoma in adults.

More evidence on avelumab with axitinib is being collected until there is enough evidence available to address uncertainties about the treatment. After this, NICE will decide whether or not to recommend it for use on the NHS and update the guidance. It will be available through the Cancer Drugs Fund until then.

If you are not eligible for avelumab with axitinib but are already having it, you should be able to continue until you and your doctor decide when best to stop.

Is this treatment right for me?

Your healthcare professionals should give you clear information, talk with you about your options and listen carefully to your views and concerns. Your family can be involved too, if you wish. Read more about making decisions about your care.
Questions to think about

- How well does it work compared with other treatments?
- What are the risks or side effects? How likely are they?
- How will the treatment affect my day-to-day life?
- What happens if the treatment does not work?
- What happens if I do not want to have treatment? Are there other treatments available?

Information and support

The [NHS website](https://www.nhs.uk) may be a good place to find out more.

These organisations can give you advice and support:

- [Kidney Cancer UK](https://kidneycanceruk.org), 0800 002 9002
- [Kidney Research UK](https://www.kidneyresearchuk.org), 0300 300 1100
- [National Kidney Federation](https://www.nationalkidneyfederation.org), 0800 169 0936
- [Kidney Cancer Support Network](https://kidneycancersupport.org.uk), 01209 890326
- [Macmillan Cancer Support](https://www.macmillan.org.uk), 0808 808 0000
- [Cancer Research UK Patient Information](https://www.cancerresearchuk.org), 0808 800 4040

You can also get support from your local [Healthwatch](https://www.healthwatch.org.uk).

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