

Services we provide

SYSCO provides a range of services to clients, families and the general public.

These include:

Client support group meetings

Providing a safe informal forum in which to meet, share experiences and support each

Other in person and online.

Advocacy

We can help you to find your voice and offer practical help when necessary.

Education

To ensure everyone involved with people who have a Sickle Cell Disorder, have a good understanding of these conditions and how they impact on peoples lives.

Emotional support

We are here to listen and assist you in any way we can.

Social events

Provide opportunities to socialise periodically through events such as day trips and parties and online events

We are here to offer advice and support

Please contact us on: 07392 465064

Office open for drop in sessions / telephone contact

Office Hours

Tuesday 10:30am - 4:00pm

Thursday 10:30am - 4:00pm

For all SYSCO activities and news—Please contact SYSCO office or SYSCO website for more details

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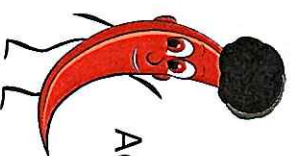
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South Yorkshire
Sickle Cell
Organisation

Supporting people affected by
Sickle Cell Disorders



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Mission Statement

To enhance quality of life for all those who suffer from Sickle Cell Disorders.

We promote positive change and deliver value to sufferers, carers and families through information, advocacy and service.

Introduction to SYSCO

The South Yorkshire Sickle Cell Organisation (previously named SSCAT F) was established in 1997 by members of the Sheffield community. It was founded to address inequalities and gaps in mainstream health and social care services regarding care provision for people with Sickle Cell Disorders (SCD)

We are a small self-funded charitable organisation offering support to members of the community affected by these disorders.

We aim to:

* Raise awareness of SCD and how it impacts on the lives of the individual and their families.

♦ Engage with the community and mainstream services at all levels to ensure that the specialist needs of people affected with a Sickle Cell Disorder are met.

♦ Provide support and advocacy to those who need it.

Normal Red Blood Cell



Sickle Shaped Red Blood Cell



About Sickle Cell Disorders

Sickle Cell Disorders are one of the most common genetic conditions in the world. They can be present in any community group but is most commonly found in people of African, Caribbean, Eastern Mediterranean, Middle Eastern and Asian descent.

In Britain there are over 15,000 people with SCD, most of whom are of African or Caribbean descent.

There are several types of SCD and some of these can be serious conditions that require lifelong specialist care and management.

The condition occurs when babies inherit unusual haemoglobin genes from both parents. This can cause the red blood cells to change shape (sickle) and block blood vessels causing severe pain. It can also diminish the amount of oxygen the cells can carry resulting in damage to key organs in different parts of the body. Symptoms can be extremely variable and unpredictable.

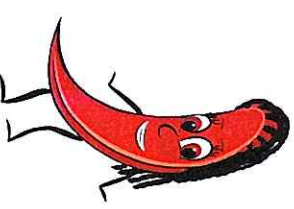
Sickle Cell Carrier

If the unusual haemoglobin gene is inherited from one parent only, the individual is classified as being a Sickle Cell Carrier. This is a healthy carrier state of SCD and does not usually cause any health problems.

Genetic Screening

"Prevention is better than cure"

A simple blood test will determine if you carry the Sickle Cell gene.



If 2 people have this gene there is a 1 in 4 chance the baby could have SCD therefore genetic screening prior to conception is highly recommended.

