Staging of non-Hodgkin lymphoma

The course of therapy recommended by a physician will depend on the stage of the tumor.

Stage I: One group of lymph nodes is affected
Stage II: Two or more groups of lymph nodes are affected on the same side of the diaphragm
Stage III: Lymph nodes on both sides of the diaphragm are affected
Stage IV: Lymphoma has spread outside lymph nodes

Subtypes of non-Hodgkin lymphoma

There are at least 61 different subtypes of non-Hodgkin lymphoma, which are categorized by rate of growth, location and histology, amongst other factors.

Comparing non-Hodgkin lymphoma incidence and mortality in younger and older people

Incidence and mortality are consistently higher in people aged 65 and over.

Common symptoms of non-Hodgkin lymphoma

The symptoms of non-Hodgkin lymphoma can be difficult to identify as they can also be indicative of non-cancerous problems, such as infections. The first symptom is usually a painless swelling in a gland in the neck, armpit or groin. Other symptoms may include those shown.

- Coughing
- Fever
- Profuse sweating (especially at night)
- Swollen lymph nodes (in the neck, armpits or groin)
- Shortness of breath
- Lack of energy
- Unexplained weight loss
- Severe itchiness
- Rashes