

National Cancer Patient Experience Survey

2016 Results

**NHS Newcastle Gateshead
Clinical Commissioning Group**

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The National Cancer Patient Experience Survey is
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Introduction

The National Cancer Patient Experience Survey 2016 is the sixth iteration of the survey first undertaken in 2010. It has been designed to monitor national progress on cancer care; to provide information to drive local quality improvements; to assist commissioners and providers of cancer care; and to inform the work of the various charities and stakeholder groups supporting cancer patients.

The survey was overseen by a national Cancer Patient Experience Advisory Group. This Advisory Group set the principles and objectives of the survey programme and guided questionnaire development.

The survey was commissioned and managed by NHS England. The survey provider, Quality Health, is responsible for designing, running and analysing the survey.

Full national results and other reports are available at www.ncpes.co.uk.

Further details on the survey methodology and changes to the 2016 survey can be found in the Annex.

This report

The report shows how this CCG scored for each question in the survey, compared with national results. It is aimed at helping individual CCGs to understand their performance and identify areas for local improvement.

Note that responses for questions with 1-20 respondents have been suppressed. This is to protect patient confidentiality and because uncertainty around the result is too great.

Data tables

The data tables presented in this report show the following for each question:

- **Column 1** shows the number of respondents for 2015 to this question
- **Column 2** shows the unadjusted 2015 score for this CCG
- **Column 3** shows the number of respondents for 2016 to this question
- **Column 4** shows the unadjusted 2016 score for this CCG
- **Column 5** shows whether a score has significantly increased or decreased compared with the last survey
- **Column 6** shows the case-mix adjusted 2016 score for this CCG
- **Column 7** shows the lower limit of the expected range of case-mix adjusted scores for this CCG (the top of the pale blue section on the comparability chart - see below)
- **Column 8** shows the upper limit of the expected range of case-mix adjusted scores for this CCG (the bottom of the dark blue section on the comparability chart - see below)
- **Column 9** shows the national average score for this question.

Results for individual response options are presented in the detailed data tables available at www.ncpes.co.uk . Confidence Intervals for unadjusted and case-mix adjusted data are provided in these tables.

Expected ranges and 95% confidence intervals highlight the uncertainty around the results. The size of the expected ranges and confidence intervals will be different for each question, and depends on the number of respondents and the range of their responses.

For further details on case-mix adjustment and the scoring methodology used, please refer to the Annex.

Comparability charts

For the 2016 survey, we have adopted the CQC standard for reporting comparative performance, based on calculation of "expected ranges". This means that CCGs will be flagged as outliers only if there is statistical evidence that their scores deviate (positively or negatively) from the range of scores that would be expected for CCGs of the same size.

The comparability charts in this report show a bar with these expected ranges (in grey), higher than expected (in dark blue), and lower than expected (in pale blue). A black dot represents the actual score of this CCG.

The same colour convention has been used in Column 6 of the data tables.

For further details on expected ranges, please refer to the technical document at www.ncpes.co.uk .

Tumour group tables

The final set of tables in this report show the scores for each question for each of the 13 tumour groups, with a comparative national score for that tumour group.

These breakdowns are intended as additional information for CCGs to understand the differences between the experiences of patients with different types of cancer. The numbers are generally relatively small and may not be statistically significant. They should therefore be treated with some caution.

Notes on specific questions

Questions used to direct respondents to different parts of the survey (questions 4, 24, 27, 40, 43, 46) and other demographic and information questions are not reported.

How to use the data

Unadjusted data should be used to see the actual responses from patients relating to the CCG.

Case-mix adjusted data, together with expected ranges, should be used to understand whether the results are significantly higher or lower than national results.

Case-mix adjusted data, together with (case-mix adjusted) confidence intervals (presented in the detailed data tables at www.ncpes.co.uk), should be used to understand whether the results are significantly higher or lower than the results for another CCG.

Response rates

Numbers of respondents by tumour group, age and gender can be found in the Annex.

Executive Summary

Asked to rate their care on a scale of zero (very poor) to 10 (very good), respondents gave an average rating of **8.9**.

The following questions are included in phase 1 of the Cancer Dashboard developed by Public Health England and NHS England*:

- **83%** of respondents said that they were definitely involved as much as they wanted to be in decisions about their care and treatment
- **92%** of respondents said that they were given the name of a Clinical Nurse Specialist who would support them through their treatment
- **90%** of respondents said that it had been 'quite easy' or 'very easy' to contact their Clinical Nurse Specialist
- **89%** of respondents said that, overall, they were always treated with dignity and respect while they were in hospital
- **94%** of respondents said that hospital staff told them who to contact if they were worried about their condition or treatment after they left hospital
- **64%** of respondents said that they thought the GPs and nurses at their general practice definitely did everything they could to support them while they were having cancer treatment.

Detailed results for these and other questions are set out in the sections that follow.

* www.cancerdata.nhs.uk/dashboard

The questions were selected in discussion with the national Cancer Patient Experience Advisory Group and reflect four key patient experience domains: provision of information; involvement in decisions; care transition; interpersonal relations, respect and dignity. The figures presented above are all case-mix adjusted.

Questions which scored outside expected range

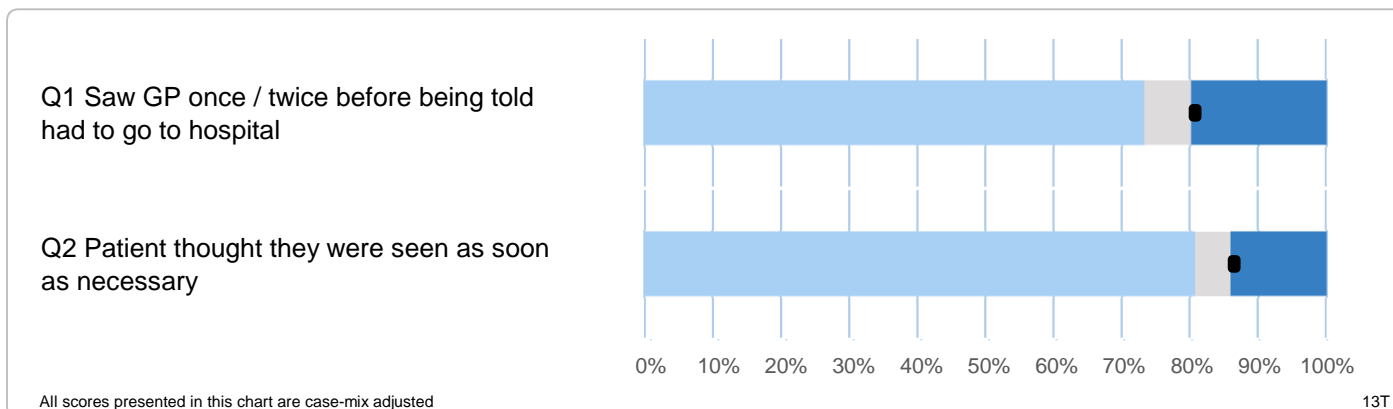
Question	Number of respondents for this CCG	2016 Case-mix Adjusted			National Average Score	
		2016 Percentage for this CCG	Lower limit of expected range	Upper limit of expected range		
Seeing your GP						
Q1	Saw GP once / twice before being told had to go to hospital	575	81%	73%	80%	77%
Q2	Patient thought they were seen as soon as necessary	779	86%	81%	86%	83%
Diagnostic tests						
Q5	Received all the information needed about the test	675	97%	93%	96%	94%
Q7	Given complete explanation of test results in understandable way	686	83%	76%	82%	79%
Finding out what was wrong with you						
Q9	Patient felt they were told sensitively that they had cancer	777	88%	82%	87%	84%
Deciding the best treatment for you						
Q12	Patient felt that treatment options were completely explained	705	86%	80%	85%	83%
Q13	Possible side effects explained in an understandable way	749	78%	69%	76%	72%
Q14	Patient given practical advice and support in dealing with side effects of treatment	741	73%	62%	69%	66%
Q15	Patient definitely told about side effects that could affect them in the future	697	61%	51%	58%	54%
Q16	Patient definitely involved in decisions about care and treatment	756	83%	75%	81%	78%
Clinical Nurse Specialist						
Q18	Patient found it easy to contact their CNS	597	90%	84%	89%	86%
Support for people with cancer						
Q21	Hospital staff gave information about impact cancer could have on day to day activities	505	85%	78%	85%	81%
Hospital care as an inpatient						
Q30	Patient's family or someone close definitely had opportunity to talk to doctor	386	78%	69%	77%	73%
Q31	Patient had confidence and trust in all ward nurses	475	80%	70%	78%	74%
Q32	Always / nearly always enough nurses on duty	472	72%	62%	71%	67%
Q33	All staff asked patient what name they preferred to be called by	467	75%	60%	75%	68%
Q35	Patient was able to discuss worries or fears with staff during visit	355	58%	47%	57%	52%

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Question	Number of respondents for this CCG	2016 Case-mix Adjusted			National Average Score	
		Percentage for this CCG 2016	Lower limit of expected range	Upper limit of expected range		
Hospital care as a day patient / outpatient						
Q41	Patient was able to discuss worries or fears with staff during visit	582	75%	67%	74%	70%
Q47	Beforehand patient had all information needed about chemotherapy treatment	383	89%	80%	88%	84%
Q48	Patient given understandable information about whether chemotherapy was working	347	74%	62%	72%	67%
Home care and support						
Q50	Patient definitely given enough support from health or social services during treatment	437	65%	46%	60%	53%
Q51	Patient definitely given enough support from health or social services after treatment	267	58%	39%	51%	45%
Your overall NHS care						
Q54	Hospital and community staff always worked well together	749	67%	57%	65%	61%
Q59	Patient's average rating of care scored from very poor to very good	761	8.9	8.6	8.9	8.7

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Seeing your GP



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Question		Unadjusted Scores				2016 Case Mix Adjusted				
		2015		2016		Change from 2015	2016 Score	Expected range - lower	Expected range - upper	National Average Score
	Number of respondents	Score	Number of respondents	Score						
Q1	Saw GP once / twice before being told had to go to hospital	555	80%	575	81%		81%	73%	80%	77%
Q2	Patient thought they were seen as soon as necessary	725	86%	779	87%		86%	81%	86%	83%

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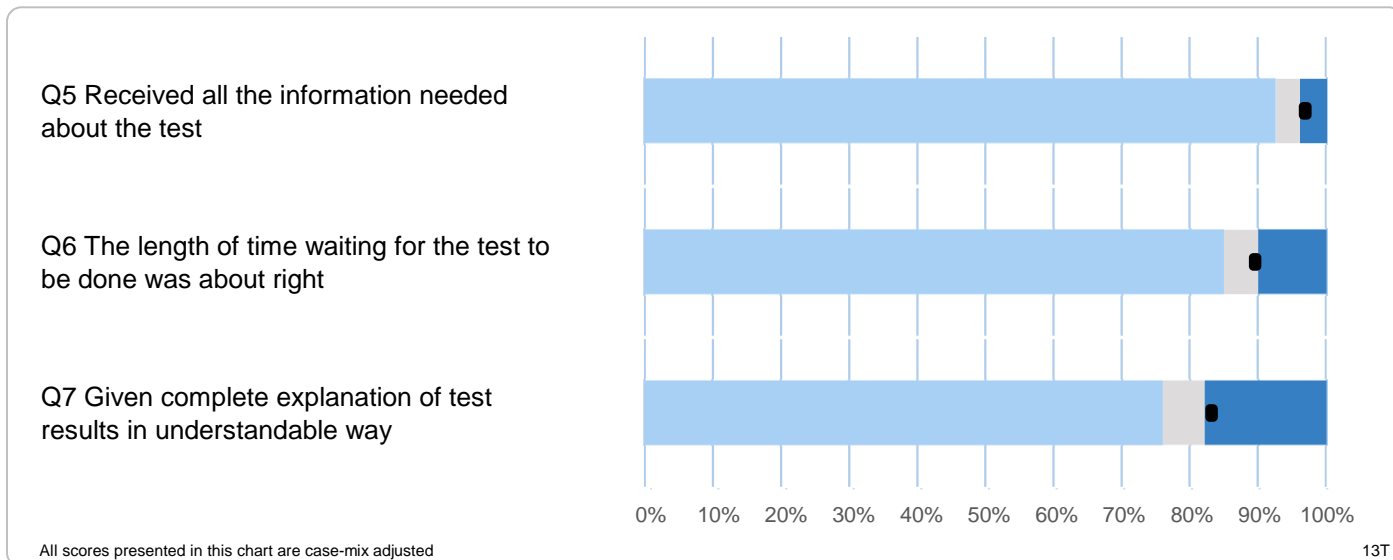
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Diagnostic Tests

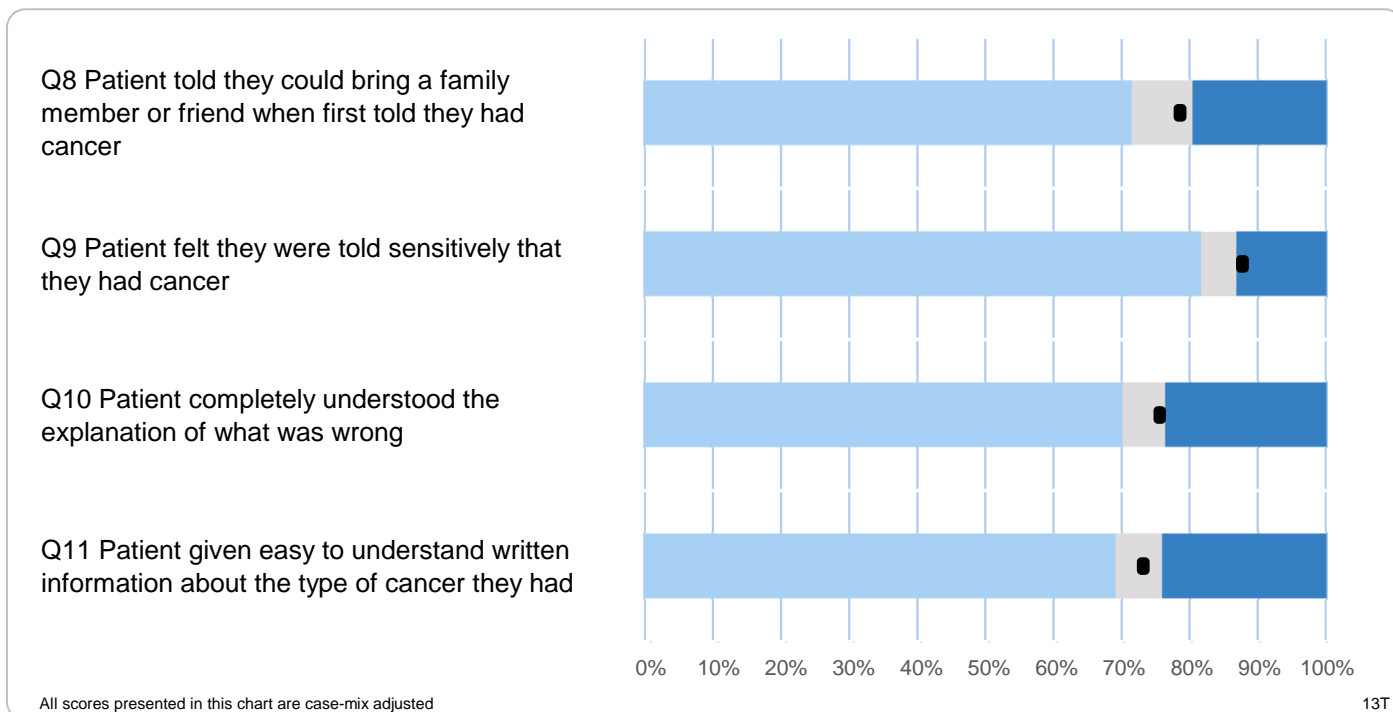


Question	Unadjusted Scores					2016 Case Mix Adjusted			
	2015		2016		Change from 2015	2016 Score	Expected range - lower	Expected range - upper	National Average Score
Number of respondents	Score	Number of respondents	Score						
Q5	-	-	675	97%		97%	93%	96%	94%
Q6	619	89%	685	89%		89%	85%	90%	87%
Q7	624	80%	686	83%		83%	76%	82%	79%

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Finding out what was wrong with you

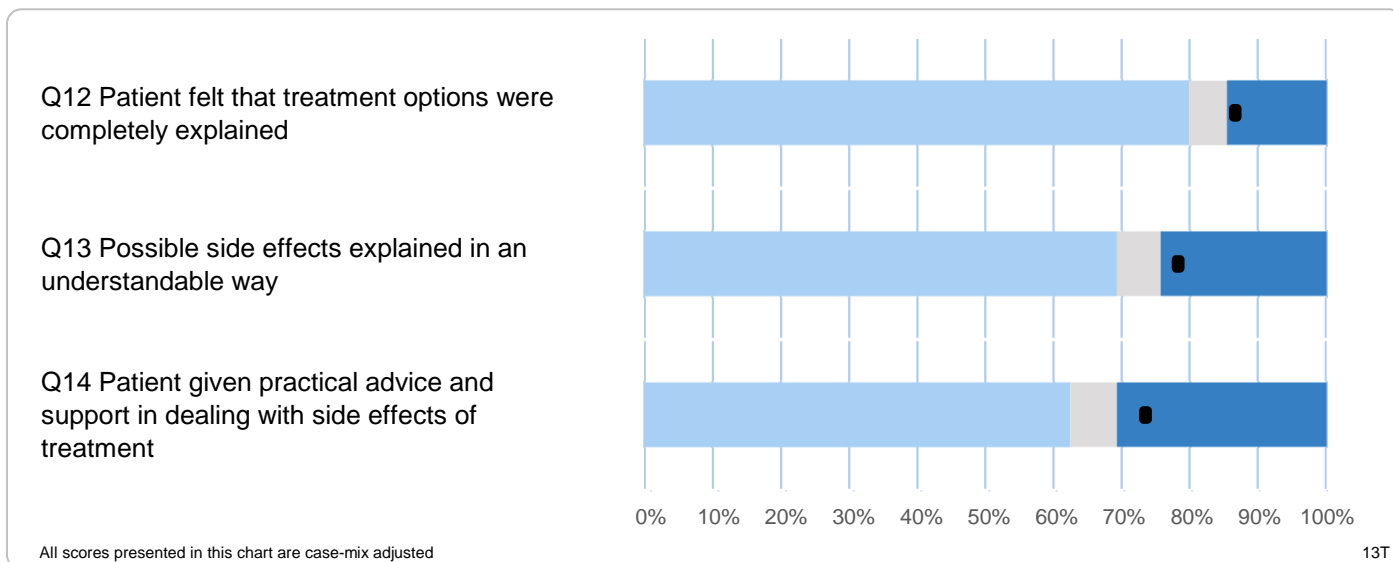


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	2015	2016	2016		Change from 2015	2016 Score	Expected range - lower	Expected range - upper	National Average Score
Number of respondents	Score	Number of respondents	Score						
Q8 Patient told they could bring a family member or friend when first told they had cancer	-	-	726	78%		78%	71%	80%	76%
Q9 Patient felt they were told sensitively that they had cancer	733	87%	777	87%		88%	82%	87%	84%
Q10 Patient completely understood the explanation of what was wrong	726	72%	790	76%		75%	70%	76%	73%
Q11 Patient given easy to understand written information about the type of cancer they had	624	68%	671	73%		73%	69%	76%	72%

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Deciding the best treatment for you (Part 1 of 2)

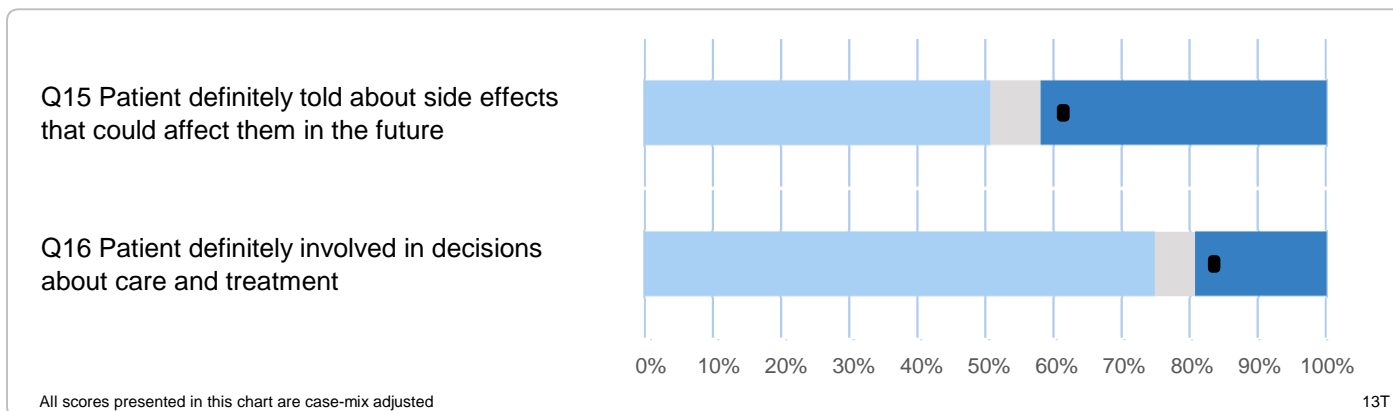


Question		Unadjusted Scores				2016 Case Mix Adjusted				
		2015		2016		Change from 2015	2016 Score	Expected range - lower	Expected range - upper	National Average Score
Number of respondents	Score	Number of respondents	Score	2016 Score	Expected range - lower					
Q12	Patient felt that treatment options were completely explained	648	85%	705	87%		86%	80%	85%	83%
Q13	Possible side effects explained in an understandable way	698	77%	749	78%		78%	69%	76%	72%
Q14	Patient given practical advice and support in dealing with side effects of treatment	698	70%	741	73%		73%	62%	69%	66%

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Deciding the best treatment for you (Part 2 of 2)

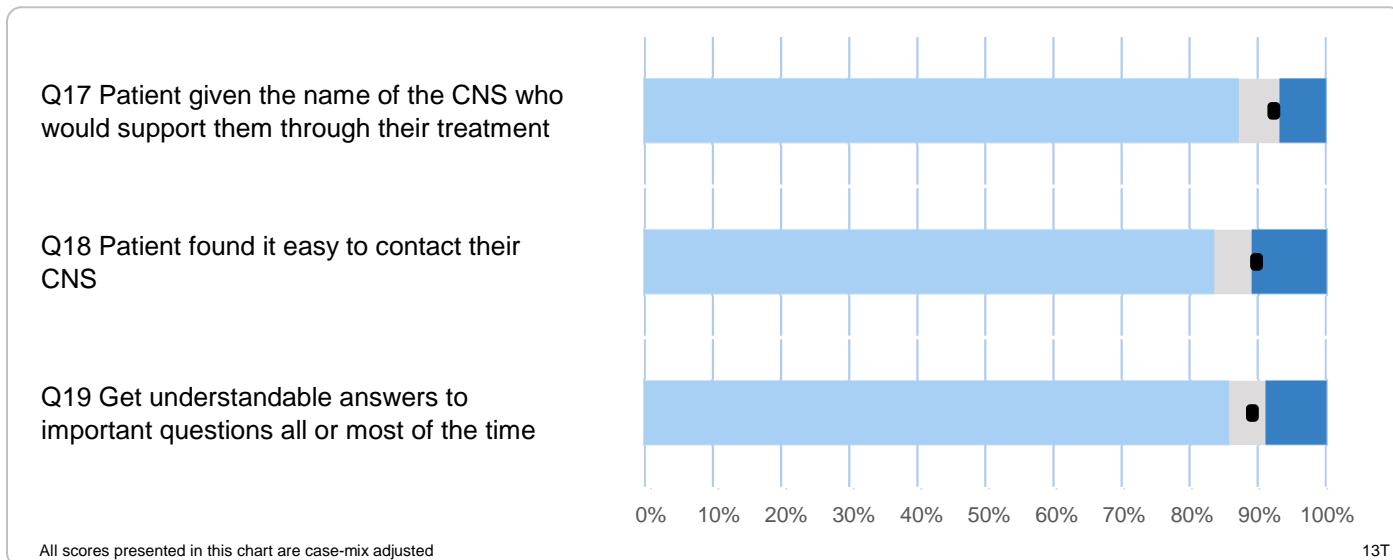


Question		Unadjusted Scores				2016 Case Mix Adjusted			
		2015		2016		2016 Score	Expected range - lower	Expected range - upper	National Average Score
		Number of respondents	Score	Number of respondents	Score				
Q15	Patient definitely told about side effects that could affect them in the future	642	59%	697	61%		51%	58%	54%
Q16	Patient definitely involved in decisions about care and treatment	691	80%	756	83%		75%	81%	78%

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Clinical Nurse Specialist

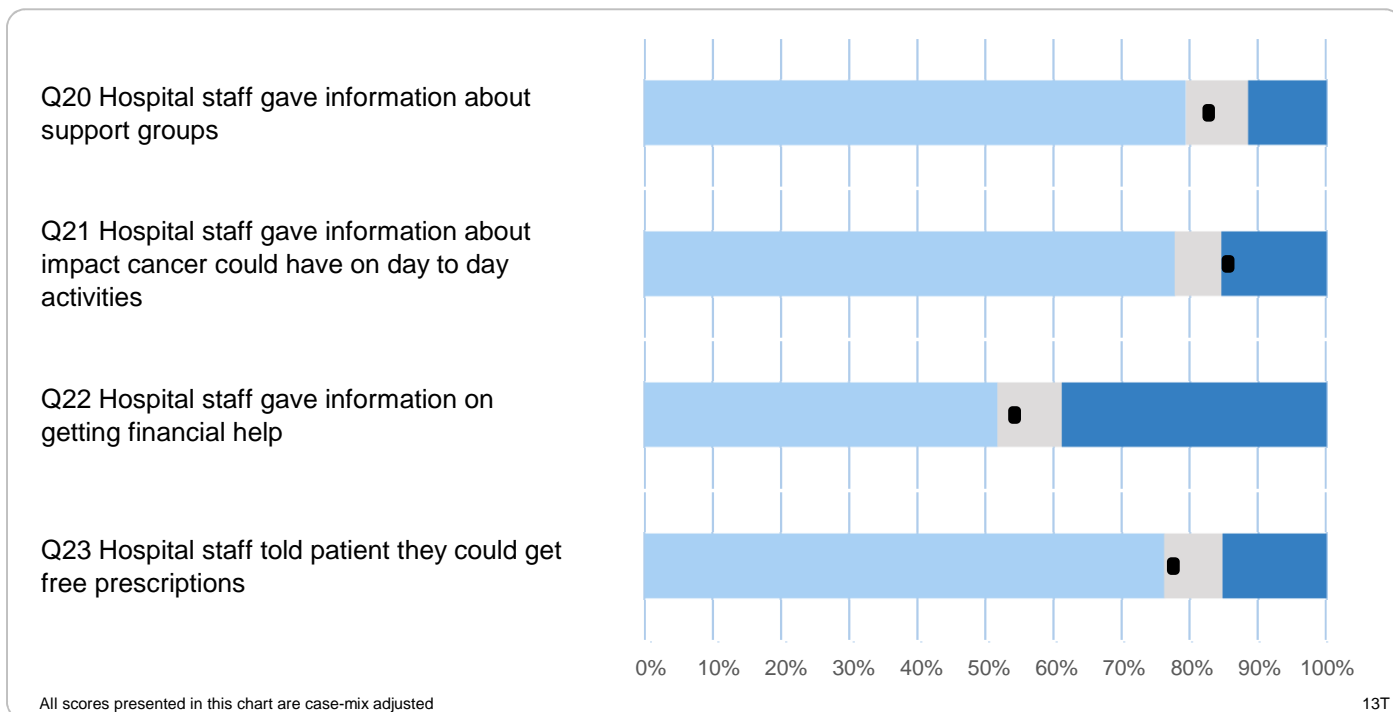


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	2015	2016		Change from 2015	2016 Score	Expected range - lower	Expected range - upper	National Average Score	
Number of respondents	Score	Number of respondents	Score						
Q17 Patient given the name of the CNS who would support them through their treatment	696	91%	747	92%		87%	93%	90%	
Q18 Patient found it easy to contact their CNS	545	92%	597	90%		84%	89%	86%	
Q19 Get understandable answers to important questions all or most of the time	514	91%	576	89%		86%	91%	88%	

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Support for people with cancer

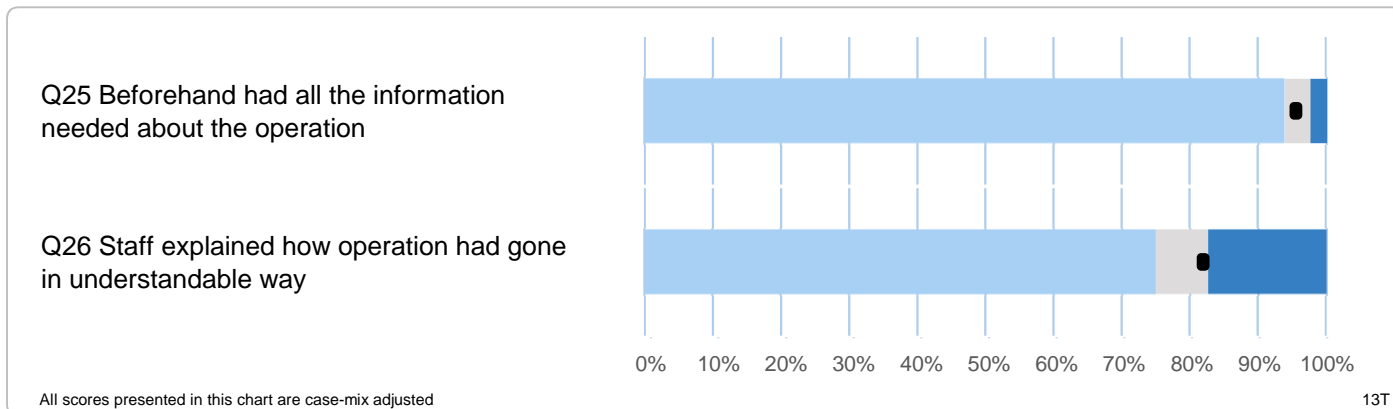


Question	Unadjusted Scores					2016 Case Mix Adjusted			
	2015	2016	2016		Change from 2015	2016 Score	Expected range - lower	Expected range - upper	National Average Score
Number of respondents	Score	Number of respondents	Score						
Q20 Hospital staff gave information about support groups	505	82%	555	82%		83%	79%	89%	84%
Q21 Hospital staff gave information about impact cancer could have on day to day activities	460	82%	505	85%		85%	78%	85%	81%
Q22 Hospital staff gave information on getting financial help	384	54%	426	54%		54%	52%	61%	56%
Q23 Hospital staff told patient they could get free prescriptions	305	78%	332	76%		77%	76%	85%	80%

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Operations

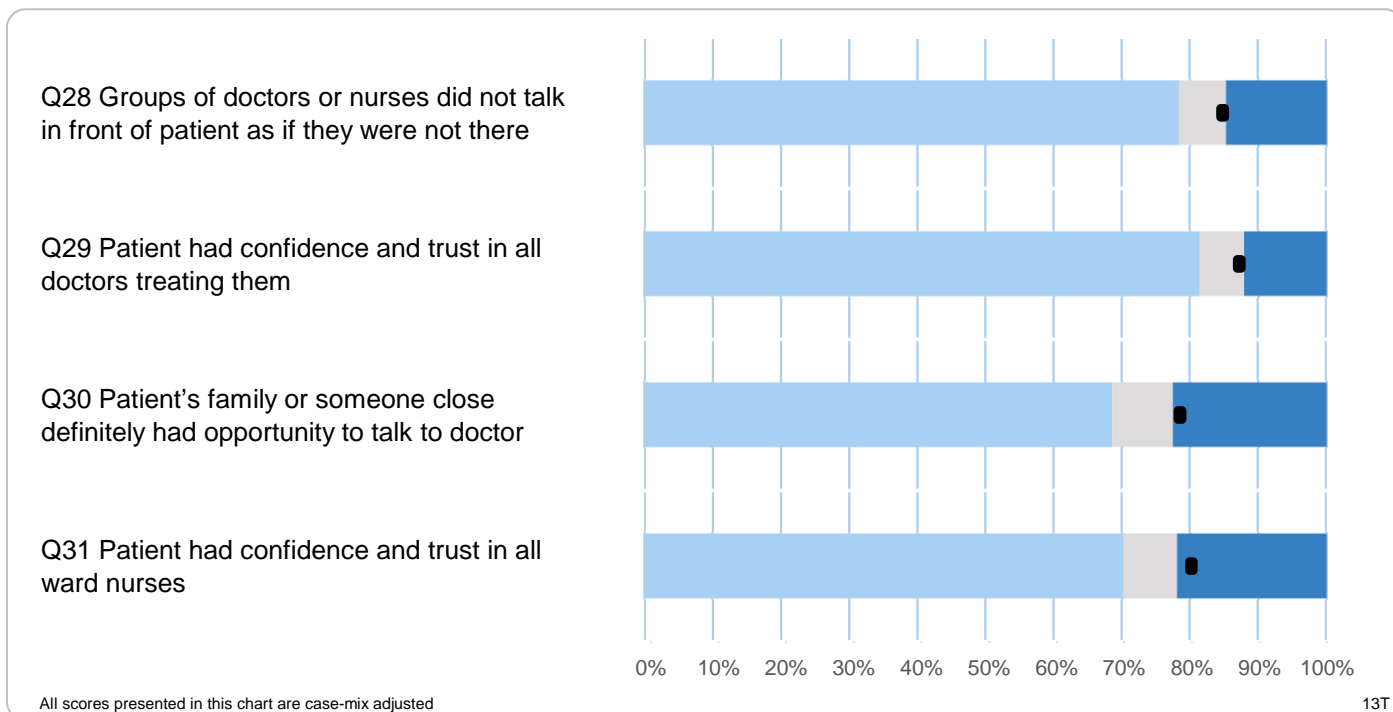


Question	Unadjusted Scores					2016 Case Mix Adjusted			
	2015		2016		Change from 2015	2016 Score	Expected range - lower	Expected range - upper	National Average Score
Number of respondents	Score	Number of respondents	Score						
Q25	-	-	442	95%		95%	94%	98%	96%
Q26	355	79%	436	82%		82%	75%	83%	79%

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Hospital care as an inpatient (Part 1 of 3)

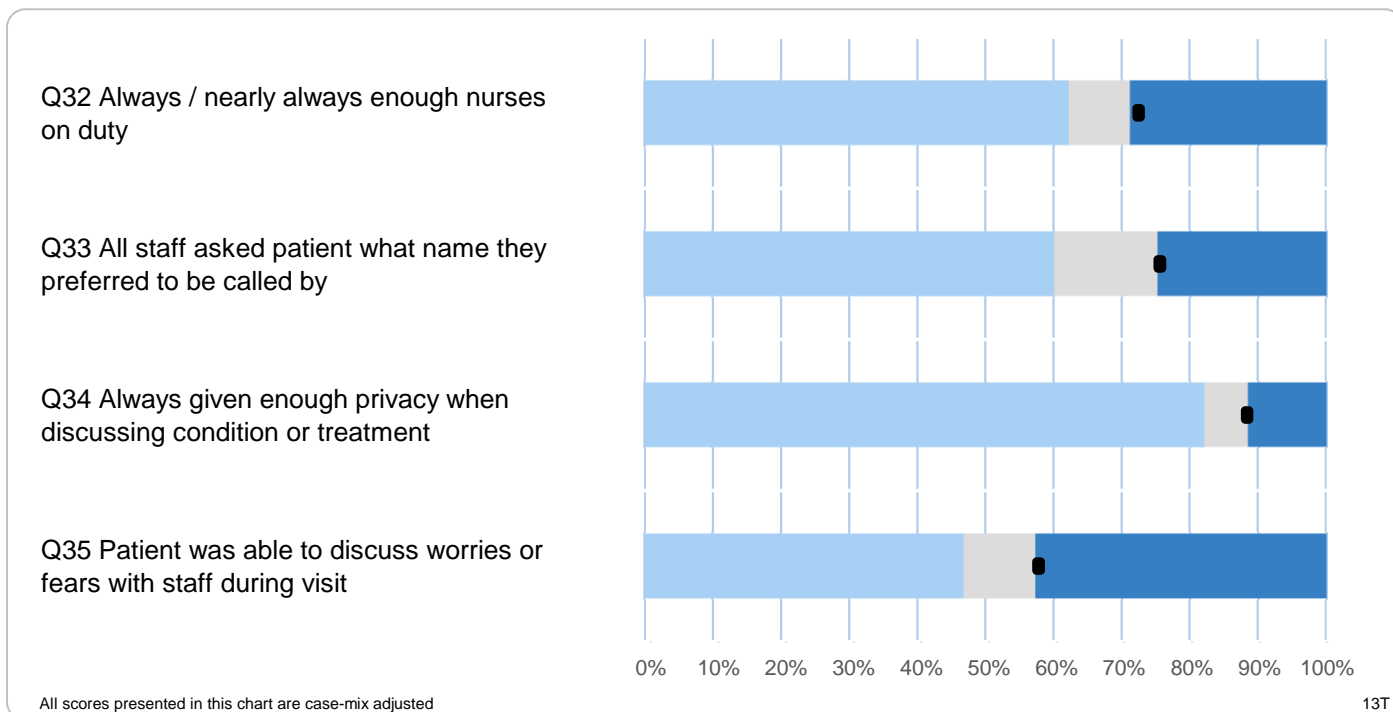


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	2015	2016	2016		Change from 2015	2016 Score	Expected range - lower	Expected range - upper	National Average Score
Number of respondents	Score	Number of respondents	Score						
Q28 Groups of doctors or nurses did not talk in front of patient as if they were not there	439	83%	475	84%		85%	78%	85%	82%
Q29 Patient had confidence and trust in all doctors treating them	443	87%	477	87%		87%	81%	88%	85%
Q30 Patient's family or someone close definitely had opportunity to talk to doctor	380	76%	386	78%		78%	69%	77%	73%
Q31 Patient had confidence and trust in all ward nurses	441	77%	475	80%		80%	70%	78%	74%

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Hospital care as an inpatient (Part 2 of 3)



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Question		Unadjusted Scores				Change from 2015	2016 Case Mix Adjusted			
		2015	2016	2015	2016		2016 Score	Expected range - lower	Expected range - upper	National Average Score
		Number of respondents	Score	Number of respondents	Score					
Q32	Always / nearly always enough nurses on duty	442	67%	472	72%		72%	62%	71%	67%
Q33	All staff asked patient what name they preferred to be called by	441	73%	467	75%		75%	60%	75%	68%
Q34	Always given enough privacy when discussing condition or treatment	445	85%	476	88%		88%	82%	88%	85%
Q35	Patient was able to discuss worries or fears with staff during visit	324	52%	355	57%		58%	47%	57%	52%

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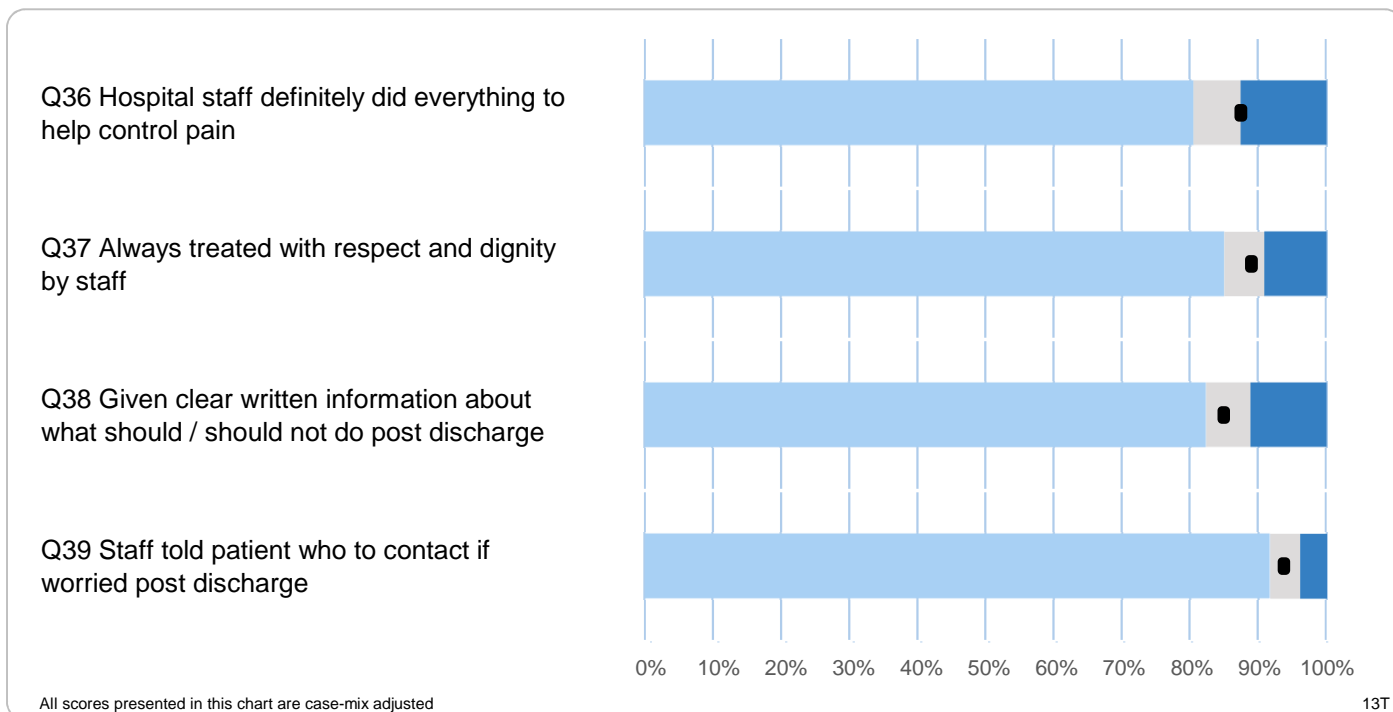
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Hospital care as an inpatient (Part 3 of 3)

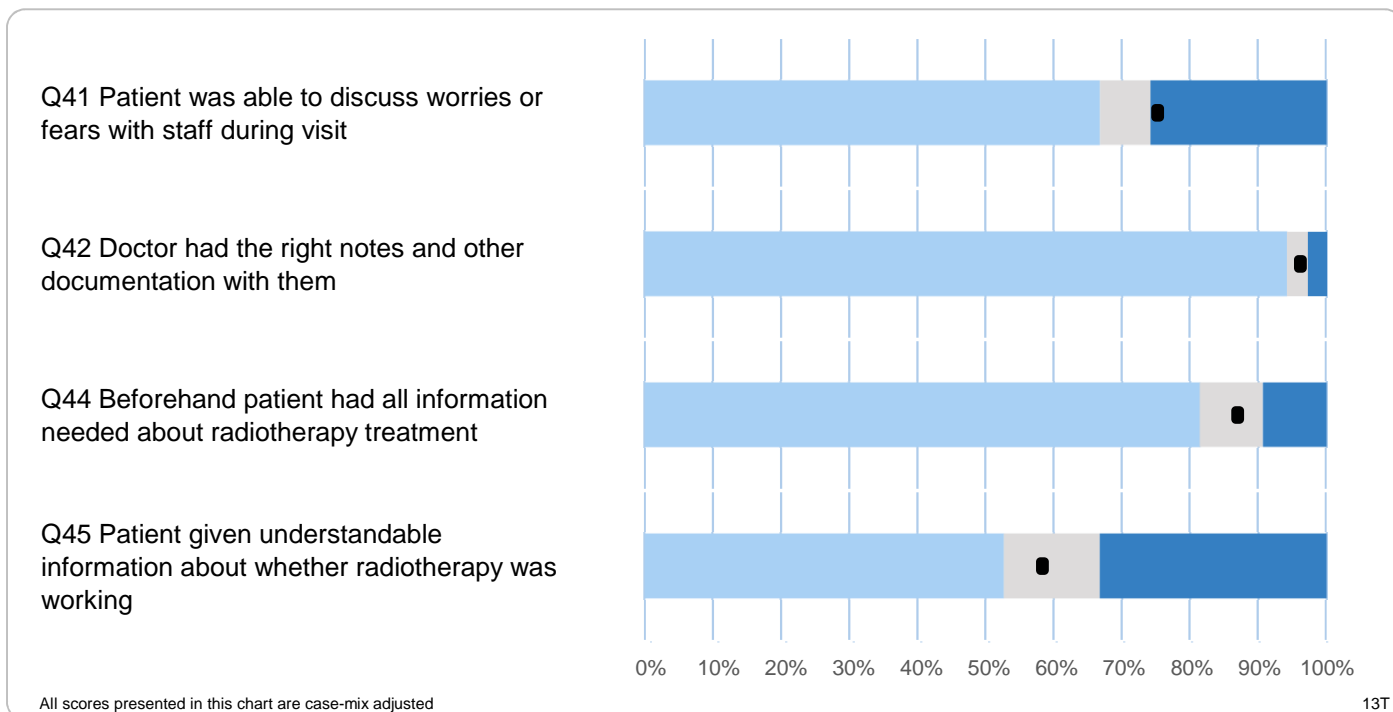


Question	Unadjusted Scores					2016 Case Mix Adjusted			
	2015	2016	2016		Change from 2015	2016 Score	Expected range - lower	Expected range - upper	National Average Score
Number of respondents	Score	Number of respondents	Score						
Q36 Hospital staff definitely did everything to help control pain	392	88%	429	87%		87%	80%	87%	84%
Q37 Always treated with respect and dignity by staff	443	88%	474	88%		89%	85%	91%	88%
Q38 Given clear written information about what should / should not do post discharge	415	84%	443	85%		85%	82%	89%	86%
Q39 Staff told patient who to contact if worried post discharge	425	95%	458	93%		94%	92%	96%	94%

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Hospital care as a day patient / outpatient (Part 1 of 2)

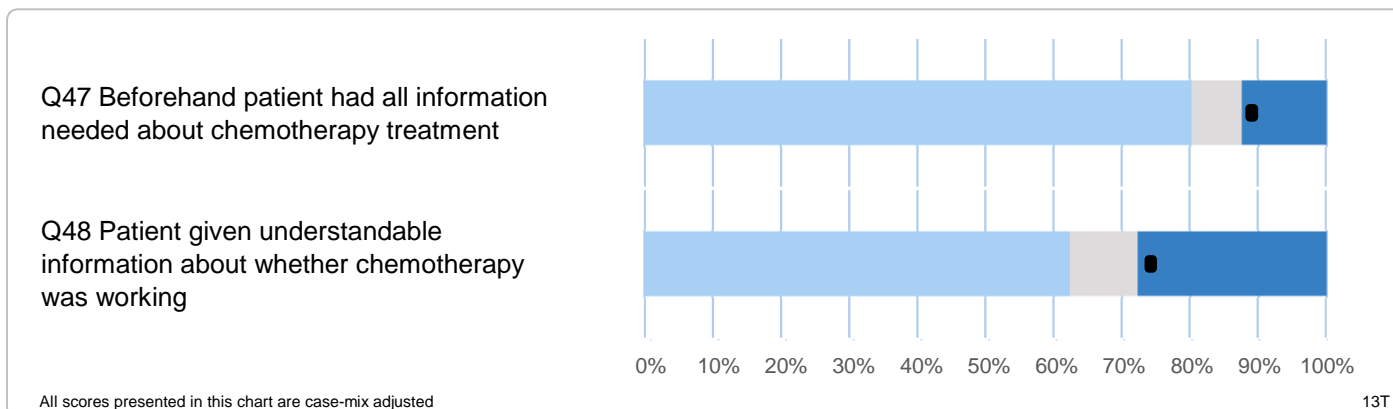


Question	Unadjusted Scores					2016 Case Mix Adjusted			
	2015	2016	2016		Change from 2015	2016 Score	Expected range - lower	Expected range - upper	National Average Score
Number of respondents	Score	Number of respondents	Score						
Q41 Patient was able to discuss worries or fears with staff during visit	544	73%	582	75%		75%	67%	74%	70%
Q42 Doctor had the right notes and other documentation with them	657	96%	703	96%		96%	94%	97%	96%
Q44 Beforehand patient had all information needed about radiotherapy treatment	199	83%	217	87%		87%	81%	91%	86%
Q45 Patient given understandable information about whether radiotherapy was working	176	53%	188	58%		58%	53%	67%	60%

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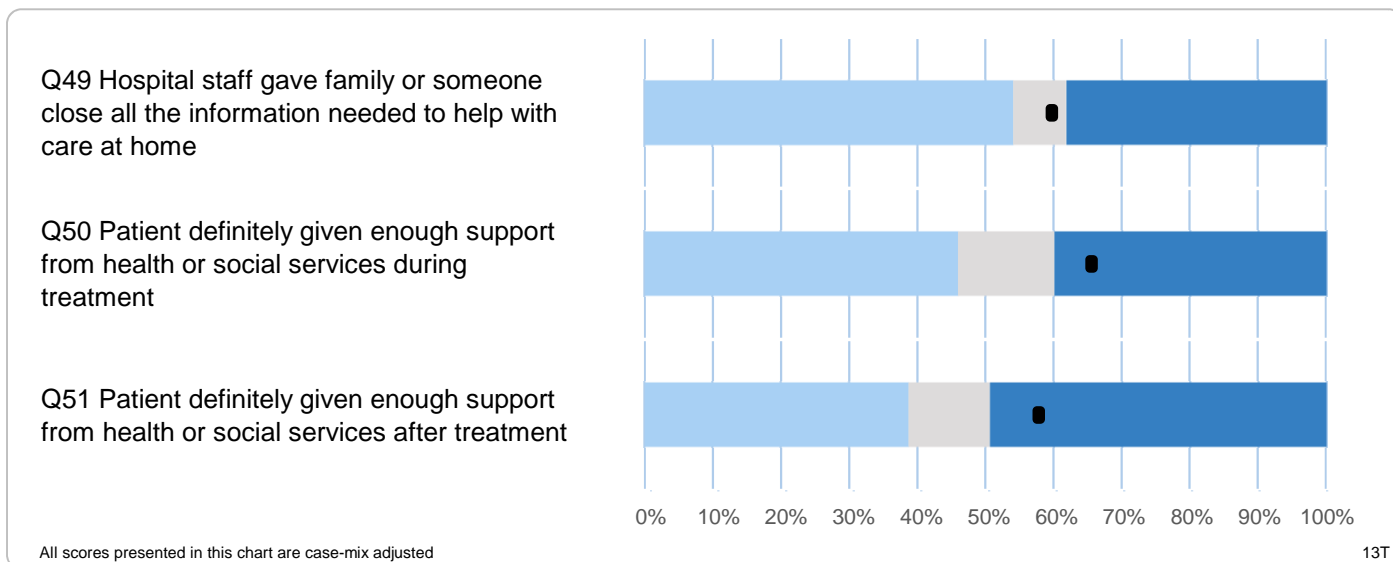


Question	Unadjusted Scores					2016 Case Mix Adjusted			
	2015	2016		Change from 2015	2016 Score	Expected range - lower	Expected range - upper	National Average Score	
Number of respondents	Score	Number of respondents	Score						
Q47 Beforehand patient had all information needed about chemotherapy treatment	387	86%	383	89%	89%	80%	88%	84%	
Q48 Patient given understandable information about whether chemotherapy was working	356	67%	347	74%	74%	62%	72%	67%	

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Home care and support

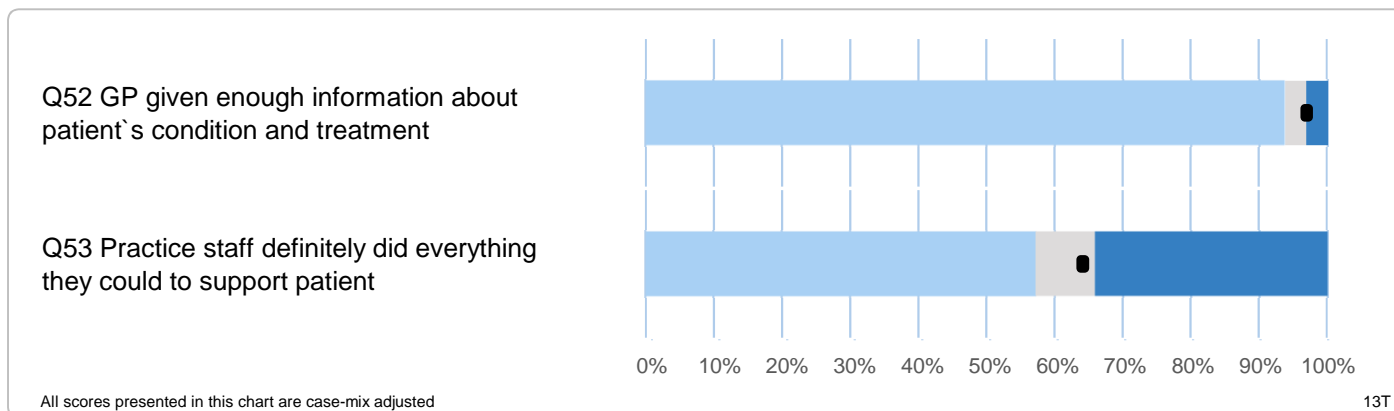


Question	Unadjusted Scores					2016 Case Mix Adjusted			
	2015	2016		Change from 2015	2016 Score	Expected range - lower	Expected range - upper	National Average Score	
Number of respondents	Score	Number of respondents	Score						
Q49 Hospital staff gave family or someone close all the information needed to help with care at home	599	59%	617	59%	60%	54%	62%	58%	
Q50 Patient definitely given enough support from health or social services during treatment	429	62%	437	65%	65%	46%	60%	53%	
Q51 Patient definitely given enough support from health or social services after treatment	261	53%	267	57%	58%	39%	51%	45%	

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Care from your general practice

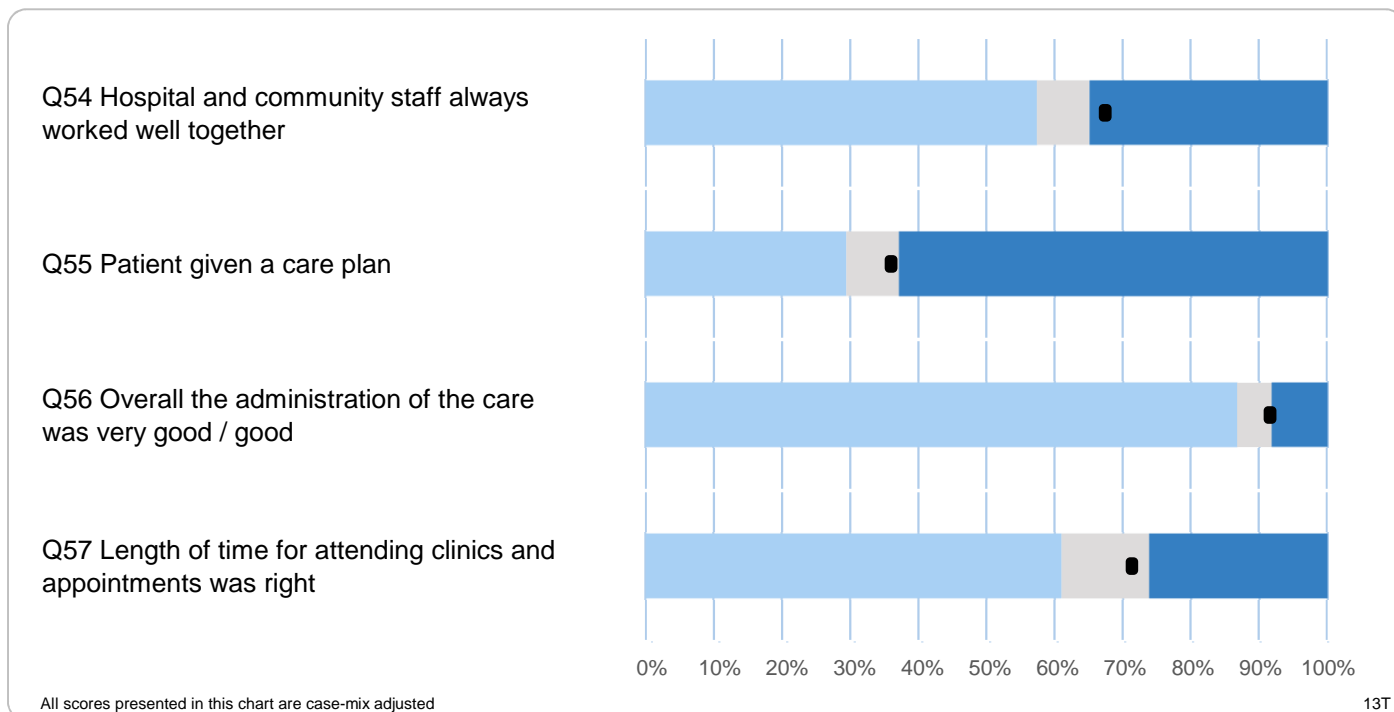


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	2015		2016		Change from 2015	2016 Score	Expected range - lower	Expected range - upper	National Average Score
	Number of respondents	Score	Number of respondents	Score					
Q52	GP given enough information about patient's condition and treatment	639	97%	681	97%		94%	97%	95%
Q53	Practice staff definitely did everything they could to support patient	528	64%	560	64%		57%	66%	62%

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Your overall NHS care (Part 1 of 2)

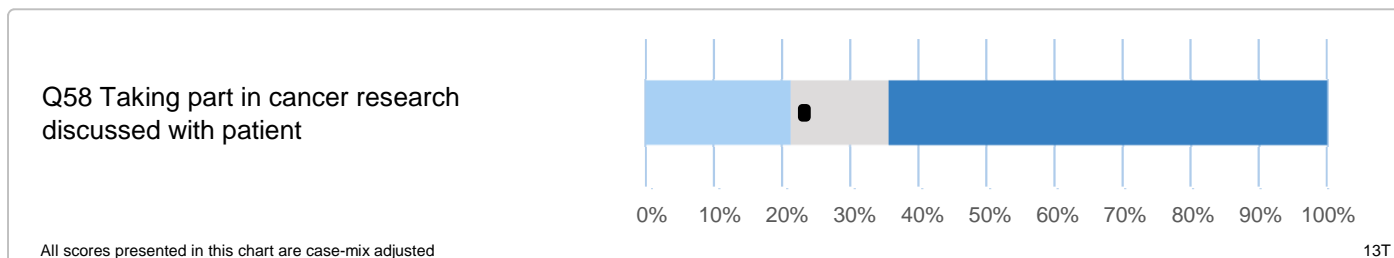


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	2015	2016		Change from 2015	2016 Score	Expected range - lower	Expected range - upper	National Average Score	
Number of respondents	Score	Number of respondents	Score						
Q54 Hospital and community staff always worked well together	703	68%	749	67%	67%	57%	65%	61%	
Q55 Patient given a care plan	543	34%	567	35%	36%	29%	37%	33%	
Q56 Overall the administration of the care was very good / good	723	91%	771	91%	91%	87%	92%	89%	
Q57 Length of time for attending clinics and appointments was right	713	71%	766	72%	71%	61%	74%	67%	

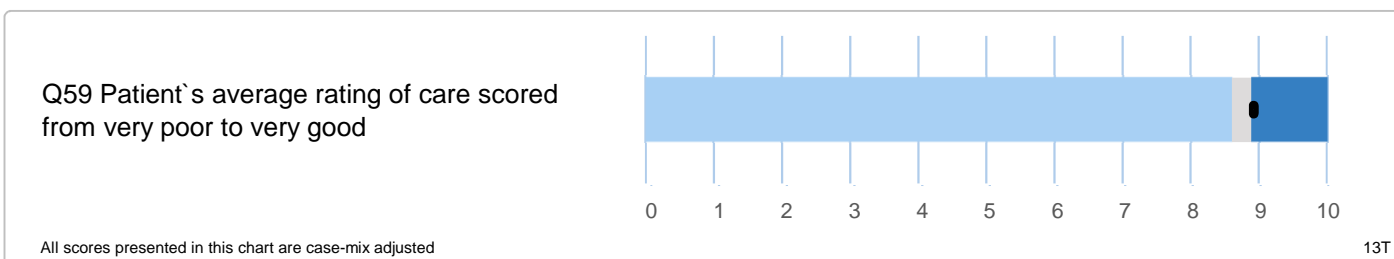
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Your overall NHS care (Part 2 of 2)



Question	Unadjusted Scores				Change from 2015	2016 Case Mix Adjusted			
	2015		2016			2016 Score	Expected range - lower	Expected range - upper	National Average Score
	Number of respondents	Score	Number of respondents	Score					
Q58 Taking part in cancer research discussed with patient	687	24%	739	22%		23%	21%	36%	29%



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	2015		2016			2016 Score	Expected range - lower	Expected range - upper	National Average Score
	Number of respondents	Score	Number of respondents	Score					
Q59 Patient`s average rating of care scored from very poor to very good	709	8.9	761	8.9		8.9	8.6	8.9	8.7

↑ or ↓ Indicates where 2016 score is significantly higher or lower than 2015 score
(NB: No arrow reflects no statistically significant change)
Where no score is displayed, no 2015 data is available
* Indicates where a score has been suppressed because there are less than 21 respondents.

Comparisons by tumour group for this CCG

The following tables show the unadjusted CCG and the national percentage scores for each question broken down by tumour group. Where a cell in the table contains an asterisk this indicates that the number of patients in that group was below 21 and too small to display. Where a cell in the table contains "n.a." this indicates that there were no respondents for that tumour group.

Seeing your GP

Cancer type	Q1. Saw GP once / twice before being told had to go to hospital		Q2. Patient thought they were seen as soon as necessary	
	This CCG [§]	National	This CCG [§]	National
Brain / CNS	*	63%	*	79%
Breast	93%	94%	92%	90%
Colorectal / LGT	83%	71%	76%	81%
Gynaecological	79%	75%	82%	79%
Haematological	66%	65%	90%	81%
Head and Neck	*	77%	*	79%
Lung	71%	70%	84%	83%
Prostate	83%	78%	91%	86%
Sarcoma	*	66%	*	67%
Skin	97%	90%	94%	86%
Upper Gastro	80%	72%	83%	78%
Urological	82%	82%	88%	85%
Other	79%	72%	84%	79%
All Cancers	81%	77%	87%	83%

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Diagnostic tests

Cancer type	Q5. Received all the information needed about the test		Q6. The length of time waiting for the test to be done was about right		Q7. Given complete explanation of test results in understandable way	
	This CCG [§]	National	This CCG [§]	National	This CCG [§]	National
Brain / CNS	*	90%	*	81%	*	70%
Breast	98%	95%	94%	92%	88%	82%
Colorectal / LGT	93%	95%	86%	87%	83%	80%
Gynaecological	97%	93%	83%	85%	73%	75%
Haematological	99%	94%	96%	89%	83%	77%
Head and Neck	*	93%	*	85%	*	78%
Lung	97%	94%	83%	87%	82%	78%
Prostate	98%	95%	88%	86%	84%	80%
Sarcoma	*	93%	*	79%	*	74%
Skin	97%	95%	90%	88%	87%	85%
Upper Gastro	100%	93%	84%	82%	78%	77%
Urological	94%	94%	97%	87%	82%	79%
Other	97%	95%	86%	86%	88%	76%
All Cancers	97%	94%	89%	87%	83%	79%

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Finding out what was wrong with you

Cancer type	Q8. Patient told they could bring a family member or friend when first told they had cancer		Q9. Patient felt they were told sensitively that they had cancer		Q10. Patient completely understood the explanation of what was wrong		Q11. Patient given easy to understand written information about the type of cancer they had	
	This CCG [§]	National	This CCG [§]	National	This CCG [§]	National	This CCG [§]	National
Brain / CNS	*	83%	*	73%	*	63%	*	63%
Breast	91%	82%	91%	88%	76%	78%	68%	77%
Colorectal / LGT	74%	80%	85%	86%	72%	78%	69%	71%
Gynaecological	64%	71%	81%	82%	67%	72%	65%	69%
Haematological	71%	71%	90%	83%	71%	60%	80%	74%
Head and Neck	*	70%	*	86%	*	75%	*	64%
Lung	75%	78%	89%	83%	80%	75%	70%	65%
Prostate	85%	77%	87%	84%	76%	78%	85%	81%
Sarcoma	*	72%	*	81%	*	67%	*	64%
Skin	56%	63%	94%	89%	92%	79%	91%	83%
Upper Gastro	87%	77%	83%	80%	79%	72%	74%	66%
Urological	81%	72%	87%	83%	74%	77%	66%	72%
Other	75%	74%	87%	82%	79%	70%	72%	62%
All Cancers	78%	76%	87%	84%	76%	73%	73%	72%

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Deciding the best treatment for you

Cancer type	Q12. Patient felt that treatment options were completely explained		Q13. Possible side effects explained in an understandable way		Q14. Patient given practical advice and support in dealing with side effects of treatment	
	This CCG [§]	National	This CCG [§]	National	This CCG [§]	National
Brain / CNS	*	78%	*	72%	*	61%
Breast	86%	84%	78%	75%	76%	69%
Colorectal / LGT	83%	85%	86%	75%	76%	68%
Gynaecological	92%	84%	81%	74%	78%	66%
Haematological	86%	81%	83%	69%	78%	64%
Head and Neck	*	85%	*	70%	*	68%
Lung	91%	83%	83%	74%	73%	68%
Prostate	88%	81%	75%	72%	69%	62%
Sarcoma	*	83%	*	72%	*	66%
Skin	93%	88%	90%	76%	75%	70%
Upper Gastro	84%	83%	77%	73%	74%	67%
Urological	83%	81%	68%	72%	65%	62%
Other	88%	79%	79%	70%	72%	63%
All Cancers	87%	83%	78%	72%	73%	66%

Cancer type	Q15. Patient definitely told about side effects that could affect them in the future		Q16. Patient definitely involved in decisions about care and treatment	
	This CCG [§]	National	This CCG [§]	National
Brain / CNS	*	55%	*	73%
Breast	63%	56%	82%	79%
Colorectal / LGT	67%	56%	87%	79%
Gynaecological	45%	52%	93%	77%
Haematological	55%	49%	80%	77%
Head and Neck	*	59%	*	78%
Lung	65%	54%	87%	79%
Prostate	66%	63%	85%	79%
Sarcoma	*	54%	*	80%
Skin	70%	61%	94%	85%
Upper Gastro	69%	53%	85%	77%
Urological	55%	53%	78%	77%
Other	64%	50%	82%	74%
All Cancers	61%	54%	83%	78%

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Clinical Nurse Specialist

Cancer type	Q17. Patient given the name of the CNS who would support them through their treatment		Q18. Patient found it easy to contact their CNS		Q19. Get understandable answers to important questions all or most of the time	
	This CCG [§]	National	This CCG [§]	National	This CCG [§]	National
Brain / CNS	*	95%	*	82%	*	83%
Breast	97%	94%	86%	86%	87%	89%
Colorectal / LGT	89%	91%	93%	88%	89%	89%
Gynaecological	91%	94%	86%	84%	*	87%
Haematological	97%	90%	95%	88%	94%	89%
Head and Neck	*	88%	*	87%	*	87%
Lung	99%	94%	91%	88%	89%	88%
Prostate	92%	88%	91%	84%	91%	88%
Sarcoma	*	88%	*	87%	*	90%
Skin	97%	88%	*	89%	*	90%
Upper Gastro	76%	92%	93%	86%	82%	87%
Urological	81%	81%	86%	85%	90%	89%
Other	89%	87%	85%	85%	87%	86%
All Cancers	92%	90%	90%	86%	89%	88%

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Support for people with cancer

Cancer type	Q20. Hospital staff gave information about support groups		Q21. Hospital staff gave information about impact cancer could have on day to day activities		Q22. Hospital staff gave information on getting financial help		Q23. Hospital staff told patient they could get free prescriptions	
	This CCG [§]	National	This CCG [§]	National	This CCG [§]	National	This CCG [§]	National
Brain / CNS	*	84%	*	81%	*	67%	*	71%
Breast	82%	89%	89%	85%	56%	62%	77%	80%
Colorectal / LGT	83%	84%	85%	82%	58%	54%	79%	82%
Gynaecological	74%	83%	71%	79%	*	58%	*	77%
Haematological	84%	83%	88%	82%	71%	58%	83%	86%
Head and Neck	*	83%	*	80%	*	59%	*	79%
Lung	81%	83%	80%	80%	66%	69%	93%	84%
Prostate	96%	86%	92%	83%	32%	44%	82%	79%
Sarcoma	*	83%	*	82%	*	56%	*	78%
Skin	*	86%	*	82%	*	52%	*	62%
Upper Gastro	81%	83%	82%	80%	56%	60%	*	84%
Urological	64%	74%	80%	72%	24%	35%	66%	67%
Other	87%	80%	83%	77%	44%	55%	71%	80%
All Cancers	82%	84%	85%	81%	54%	56%	76%	80%

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Operations

Cancer type	Q25. Beforehand had all the information needed about the operation		Q26. Staff explained how operation had gone in understandable way	
	This CCG [§]	National	This CCG [§]	National
Brain / CNS	*	93%	*	68%
Breast	97%	97%	78%	78%
Colorectal / LGT	95%	96%	86%	83%
Gynaecological	*	96%	*	79%
Haematological	*	93%	*	75%
Head and Neck	*	94%	*	78%
Lung	96%	97%	67%	79%
Prostate	91%	96%	87%	77%
Sarcoma	*	93%	*	80%
Skin	100%	96%	90%	83%
Upper Gastro	95%	96%	81%	79%
Urological	93%	95%	79%	77%
Other	97%	95%	95%	78%
All Cancers	95%	96%	82%	79%

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Hospital care as an inpatient (Part 1 of 2)

	Q28. Groups of doctors or nurses did not talk in front of patient as if they were not there		Q29. Patient had confidence and trust in all doctors treating them		Q30. Patient's family or someone close definitely had opportunity to talk to doctor		Q31. Patient had confidence and trust in all ward nurses	
Cancer type	This CCG [§]	National	This CCG [§]	National	This CCG [§]	National	This CCG [§]	National
Brain / CNS	*	74%	*	79%	*	61%	*	66%
Breast	92%	89%	89%	86%	78%	76%	82%	76%
Colorectal / LGT	79%	76%	83%	85%	82%	72%	76%	70%
Gynaecological	88%	85%	96%	85%	*	72%	88%	71%
Haematological	83%	81%	80%	81%	66%	73%	76%	74%
Head and Neck	*	79%	*	84%	*	74%	*	72%
Lung	72%	77%	70%	82%	58%	73%	62%	75%
Prostate	77%	85%	92%	88%	79%	74%	92%	79%
Sarcoma	*	80%	*	85%	*	72%	*	74%
Skin	*	87%	*	92%	*	80%	*	85%
Upper Gastro	71%	74%	88%	82%	82%	73%	83%	71%
Urological	86%	80%	91%	86%	85%	71%	83%	77%
Other	90%	79%	88%	81%	84%	70%	75%	71%
All Cancers	84%	82%	87%	85%	78%	73%	80%	74%

	Q32. Always / nearly always enough nurses on duty		Q33. All staff asked patient what name they preferred to be called by		Q34. Always given enough privacy when discussing condition or treatment		Q35. Patient was able to discuss worries or fears with staff during visit	
Cancer type	This CCG [§]	National	This CCG [§]	National	This CCG [§]	National	This CCG [§]	National
Brain / CNS	*	59%	*	65%	*	76%	*	38%
Breast	81%	71%	68%	61%	89%	86%	51%	54%
Colorectal / LGT	63%	62%	71%	70%	89%	84%	61%	53%
Gynaecological	75%	66%	83%	65%	100%	83%	*	50%
Haematological	62%	62%	74%	70%	80%	86%	70%	56%
Head and Neck	*	65%	*	69%	*	86%	*	54%
Lung	52%	70%	72%	72%	66%	83%	54%	50%
Prostate	77%	73%	77%	68%	92%	89%	*	52%
Sarcoma	*	71%	*	71%	*	88%	*	53%
Skin	*	78%	*	67%	*	90%	*	62%
Upper Gastro	71%	64%	83%	74%	92%	83%	*	50%
Urological	80%	68%	76%	72%	90%	87%	48%	47%
Other	71%	62%	81%	68%	90%	83%	63%	47%
All Cancers	72%	67%	75%	68%	88%	85%	57%	52%

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Hospital care as an inpatient (Part 2 of 2)

Cancer type	Q36. Hospital staff definitely did everything to help control pain		Q37. Always treated with respect and dignity by staff		Q38. Given clear written information about what should / should not do post discharge		Q39. Staff told patient who to contact if worried post discharge	
	This CCG [§]	National	This CCG [§]	National	This CCG [§]	National	This CCG [§]	National
Brain / CNS	*	79%	*	79%	*	76%	*	91%
Breast	92%	86%	86%	88%	97%	91%	98%	96%
Colorectal / LGT	87%	84%	92%	87%	85%	84%	92%	94%
Gynaecological	95%	83%	100%	87%	83%	87%	95%	94%
Haematological	80%	83%	89%	89%	63%	80%	95%	95%
Head and Neck	*	81%	*	87%	*	85%	*	91%
Lung	74%	84%	69%	87%	74%	81%	93%	91%
Prostate	88%	85%	96%	91%	100%	89%	96%	94%
Sarcoma	*	87%	*	90%	*	84%	*	94%
Skin	*	87%	*	92%	*	89%	*	95%
Upper Gastro	82%	82%	83%	86%	*	82%	91%	93%
Urological	84%	82%	91%	89%	81%	86%	85%	91%
Other	95%	82%	84%	86%	82%	81%	96%	93%
All Cancers	87%	84%	88%	88%	85%	86%	93%	94%

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Hospital care as a day patient / outpatient

Cancer type	Q41. Patient was able to discuss worries or fears with staff during visit		Q42. Doctor had the right notes and other documentation with them		Q44. Beforehand patient had all information needed about radiotherapy treatment		Q45. Patient given understandable information about whether radiotherapy was working	
	This CCG [§]	National	This CCG [§]	National	This CCG [§]	National	This CCG [§]	National
Brain / CNS	*	63%	*	95%	*	86%	*	58%
Breast	74%	70%	98%	96%	86%	88%	54%	60%
Colorectal / LGT	82%	72%	93%	96%	*	86%	*	58%
Gynaecological	85%	68%	88%	95%	*	85%	*	62%
Haematological	83%	74%	98%	97%	*	84%	*	64%
Head and Neck	*	71%	*	96%	*	84%	*	61%
Lung	69%	70%	97%	95%	90%	85%	69%	58%
Prostate	81%	72%	93%	96%	*	89%	*	58%
Sarcoma	*	72%	*	97%	*	89%	*	69%
Skin	*	72%	97%	97%	*	84%	n.a.	59%
Upper Gastro	59%	68%	100%	94%	*	86%	*	57%
Urological	70%	68%	99%	96%	*	81%	*	56%
Other	72%	67%	93%	95%	*	83%	*	58%
All Cancers	75%	70%	96%	96%	87%	86%	58%	60%

Cancer type	Q47. Beforehand patient had all information needed about chemotherapy treatment		Q48. Patient given understandable information about whether chemotherapy was working	
	This CCG [§]	National	This CCG [§]	National
Brain / CNS	*	80%	*	59%
Breast	80%	82%	58%	62%
Colorectal / LGT	90%	85%	72%	63%
Gynaecological	*	84%	*	66%
Haematological	92%	84%	86%	75%
Head and Neck	*	80%	*	58%
Lung	96%	84%	82%	68%
Prostate	*	84%	*	67%
Sarcoma	*	86%	*	73%
Skin	*	88%	*	78%
Upper Gastro	82%	84%	57%	64%
Urological	97%	84%	78%	67%
Other	93%	85%	78%	68%
All Cancers	89%	84%	74%	67%

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Home care and support

Cancer type	Q49. Hospital staff gave family or someone close all the information needed to help with care at home		Q50. Patient definitely given enough support from health or social services during treatment		Q51. Patient definitely given enough support from health or social services after treatment	
	This CCG [§]	National	This CCG [§]	National	This CCG [§]	National
Brain / CNS	*	49%	*	42%	*	41%
Breast	51%	57%	62%	53%	53%	40%
Colorectal / LGT	62%	60%	73%	61%	72%	51%
Gynaecological	63%	56%	*	50%	*	39%
Haematological	72%	60%	66%	51%	48%	44%
Head and Neck	*	61%	*	52%	*	48%
Lung	52%	57%	59%	50%	45%	43%
Prostate	44%	56%	61%	48%	*	43%
Sarcoma	*	59%	n.a.	55%	*	48%
Skin	*	65%	*	57%	*	59%
Upper Gastro	58%	59%	61%	55%	70%	48%
Urological	59%	58%	70%	47%	63%	43%
Other	62%	54%	68%	55%	58%	48%
All Cancers	59%	58%	65%	53%	57%	45%

[§] These are unadjusted scores

Care from your general practice

Cancer type	Q52. GP given enough information about patient's condition and treatment		Q53. Practice staff definitely did everything they could to support patient	
	This CCG [§]	National	This CCG [§]	National
Brain / CNS	*	89%	*	51%
Breast	98%	96%	53%	62%
Colorectal / LGT	97%	95%	59%	62%
Gynaecological	100%	95%	75%	61%
Haematological	97%	96%	68%	59%
Head and Neck	*	94%	*	59%
Lung	98%	95%	60%	61%
Prostate	95%	96%	75%	67%
Sarcoma	*	95%	*	56%
Skin	93%	96%	82%	67%
Upper Gastro	91%	94%	58%	61%
Urological	98%	95%	65%	64%
Other	97%	95%	71%	59%
All Cancers	97%	95%	64%	62%

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Your overall NHS care

Cancer type	Q54. Hospital and community staff always worked well together		Q55. Patient given a care plan		Q56. Overall the administration of the care was very good / good		Q57. Length of time for attending clinics and appointments was right	
	This CCG [§]	National	This CCG [§]	National	This CCG [§]	National	This CCG [§]	National
Brain / CNS	*	43%	*	32%	*	82%	*	61%
Breast	64%	61%	43%	37%	91%	91%	71%	65%
Colorectal / LGT	67%	60%	45%	35%	89%	89%	68%	70%
Gynaecological	58%	58%	46%	30%	88%	89%	70%	66%
Haematological	69%	63%	33%	33%	96%	92%	54%	63%
Head and Neck	*	62%	*	36%	*	89%	*	69%
Lung	64%	63%	29%	33%	89%	89%	73%	71%
Prostate	79%	65%	38%	35%	91%	88%	87%	73%
Sarcoma	*	56%	n.a.	28%	*	87%	*	61%
Skin	91%	69%	35%	39%	94%	90%	83%	76%
Upper Gastro	60%	58%	32%	34%	88%	87%	75%	66%
Urological	66%	63%	31%	27%	89%	87%	86%	75%
Other	67%	55%	31%	29%	93%	88%	63%	61%
All Cancers	67%	61%	35%	33%	91%	89%	72%	67%

Cancer type	Q58. Taking part in cancer research discussed with patient		Q59. Patient's average rating of care scored from very poor to very good	
	This CCG [§]	National	This CCG [§]	National
Brain / CNS	*	24%	*	8.3
Breast	22%	28%	9.0	8.8
Colorectal / LGT	24%	26%	9.0	8.7
Gynaecological	16%	30%	8.9	8.7
Haematological	30%	34%	9.1	8.9
Head and Neck	*	19%	*	8.7
Lung	25%	33%	8.8	8.7
Prostate	23%	34%	9.0	8.7
Sarcoma	*	33%	*	8.6
Skin	12%	18%	9.0	8.9
Upper Gastro	20%	33%	8.6	8.6
Urological	19%	15%	8.7	8.7
Other	26%	30%	9.0	8.6
All Cancers	22%	29%	8.9	8.7

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Annex

Methodology

The sample for the survey included all adult (aged 16 and over) NHS patients, with a confirmed primary diagnosis of cancer, discharged from an NHS Trust after an inpatient episode or day case attendance for cancer related treatment in the months of April, May and June 2016.

The patients included in the sample had relevant cancer ICD10 codes (C00-99 excluding C44 and C84, and D05) in the first diagnosis field of their patient records, applied to their patient files by the relevant NHS Trust, and were alive at the point at which fieldwork commenced. Deceased checks were undertaken on up to three occasions during fieldwork, to ensure that questionnaires were not sent to patients who had died since their treatment.

Trust samples were checked rigorously for duplicates and patient lists were also de-duplicated nationally to ensure that patients did not receive multiple copies of questionnaires.

The fieldwork for the survey was undertaken between October 2016 and March 2017.

The survey used a mixed mode methodology. Questionnaires were sent by post with two reminders where necessary, but also included an option to complete online. A Freephone helpline was available for respondents to ask questions about the survey, to enable them to complete their questionnaires over the phone, and to provide access to a translation and interpreting facility for those whose first language was not English.

The Health Research Authority supported the survey by granting Section 251 approval.

Further information

Further information on survey methodology, as well as all of the national and local reports and data, is available at www.ncpes.co.uk

Redevelopment of the 2016 survey

The following changes have been made to the National Cancer Patient Experience Survey in 2016:

- question 5 and 25 are no longer presented in a tick all that apply format and their response options have been revised. This has allowed the questions to be scored and presented in the comparability charts, data tables and tumour group tables. Because of these changes, no comparison with 2015 results is possible
- question 8 has had a response option removed. Because of this change, no comparison with 2015 results is possible.

Official Statistics

The 2016 survey data has been produced and published in line with the Code of Practice for Official Statistics.

Scoring methodologies

49 of the 50 questions relating directly to patient experience have been summarised as the score of the percentage of patients who reported a positive experience. For example:

- question 6 asks: "Overall, how did you feel about the length of time you had to wait for your test to be done?". Responses have been recorded as positive only for those patients who selected the first option ("It was about right")
- question 11 asks: "When you were told you had cancer, were you given written information about the type of cancer you had?". Responses have been recorded as positive only for those patients who selected the first option ("Yes, and it was easy to understand").

Where options do not provide any information on positive/negative patient experience (e.g. "Don't know / can't remember"), they are excluded from the score.

The other question (question 59) asks respondents to rate their overall care on a scale of 0 to 10. Scores have been given as an average on this scale.

A copy of the 2016 questionnaire, marked up with all of these scoring conventions, is available at www.ncpes.co.uk

Further details on the scoring methodology can be found in the technical document for the survey, available at www.ncpes.co.uk

Case-mix adjustment

As in 2015, case-mix adjusted findings are being presented alongside unadjusted results for CCGs. Case-mix adjustment allows us to account for the impact that differing patient populations might have on results. By using the case-mix adjusted estimates we can obtain a greater understanding of how a CCG is performing given their patient population.

The factors taken into account in this case-mix adjustment are gender, age, ethnic group, deprivation, and tumour group.

For further details on case-mix adjustment, please refer to the technical document for the survey, available at www.ncpes.co.uk

Statistical significance

In the reporting of 2016 results, appropriate statistical tests have been undertaken to identify any changes between 2015 and 2016 unadjusted scores which are 'statistically significant'. 'Statistically significant' means that you can be very confident that any change between scores is real and not due to chance.

For further details on statistical significance, please refer to the technical document for the survey, available at www.ncpes.co.uk

Response Rates

	Sample Size	Excluded	Adjusted Sample	Not Returned	Blank / Refused	Completed	Response Rate
National	118,253	8,590	109,663	33,035	3,840	72,788	67%
13T	1,187	80	1,107	283	34	790	71%

Respondents by tumour group

The tables below show the numbers of patients from each tumour group and the age and gender distribution of these patients.

Tumour Group	Number of respondents*
Brain / CNS	8
Breast	153
Gynaecological	33
Colorectal / LGT	79
Lung	75
Skin	36
Haematological	107
Upper Gastro	42
Other	71
Urological	100
Prostate	71
Sarcoma	2
Head and Neck	13

* These figures may not match the numerator for all questions in the 'Comparisons by tumour group' section of this report, because not all questions were answered by all respondents.

Respondents by age and gender

The questionnaire asked respondents to give their year of birth. This information has been amalgamated into 8 age bands. The age and gender distribution for the CCG was as follows:

	16-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65-74	75-84	85+	Total
Male	3	2	2	33	71	141	95	18	365
Female	2	3	14	63	112	131	80	20	425
Total	5	5	16	96	183	272	175	38	790



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