

# **National Cancer Patient Experience Survey**

## **2016 Results**

### **NHS Stafford and Surrounds Clinical Commissioning Group**

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The National Cancer Patient Experience Survey is undertaken by Quality Health on behalf of NHS England



## 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](http://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](http://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](http://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](http://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 **8.4**.

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

- **68%** of respondents said that they were definitely involved as much as they wanted to be in decisions about their care and treatment
- **90%** of respondents said that they were given the name of a Clinical Nurse Specialist who would support them through their treatment
- **83%** of respondents said that it had been 'quite easy' or 'very easy' to contact their Clinical Nurse Specialist
- **84%** of respondents said that, overall, they were always treated with dignity and respect while they were in hospital
- **93%** of respondents said that hospital staff told them who to contact if they were worried about their condition or treatment after they left hospital
- **49%** 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](http://www.cancerdata.nhs.uk/dashboard)

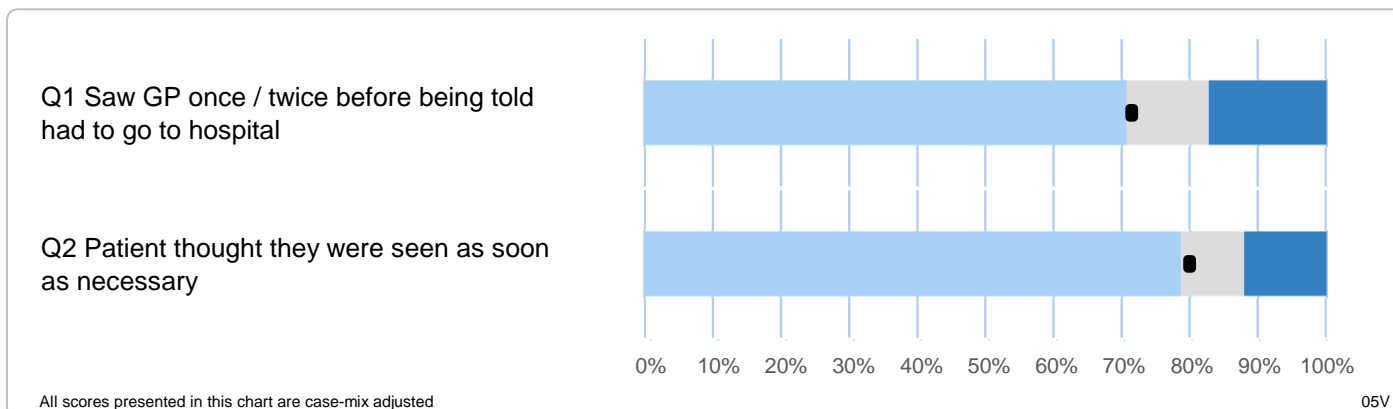
The questions were selected in discussion with the national Cancer Patient Experience Advisory Group and reflect four key patient experience domains: provision of information; involvement in decisions; care transition; interpersonal relations, respect and dignity. The figures presented above are all 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		
<b>Diagnostic tests</b>						
Q5	Received all the information needed about the test	227	91%	91%	97%	94%
<b>Finding out what was wrong with you</b>						
Q11	Patient given easy to understand written information about the type of cancer they had	214	65%	66%	78%	72%
<b>Deciding the best treatment for you</b>						
Q13	Possible side effects explained in an understandable way	245	65%	67%	78%	72%
Q16	Patient definitely involved in decisions about care and treatment	247	68%	73%	83%	78%
<b>Clinical Nurse Specialist</b>						
Q19	Get understandable answers to important questions all or most of the time	196	83%	84%	93%	88%
<b>Support for people with cancer</b>						
Q20	Hospital staff gave information about support groups	187	77%	78%	90%	84%
<b>Hospital care as an inpatient</b>						
Q29	Patient had confidence and trust in all doctors treating them	144	76%	79%	91%	85%
Q30	Patient's family or someone close definitely had opportunity to talk to doctor	117	62%	65%	81%	73%
Q38	Given clear written information about what should / should not do post discharge	129	76%	80%	92%	86%
<b>Care from your general practice</b>						
Q53	Practice staff definitely did everything they could to support patient	184	49%	54%	69%	62%
<b>Your overall NHS care</b>						
Q54	Hospital and community staff always worked well together	245	52%	55%	68%	61%
Q56	Overall the administration of the care was very good / good	254	83%	85%	93%	89%
Q59	Patient's average rating of care scored from very poor to very good	248	8.4	8.5	8.9	8.7

## CCG results

### Seeing your GP

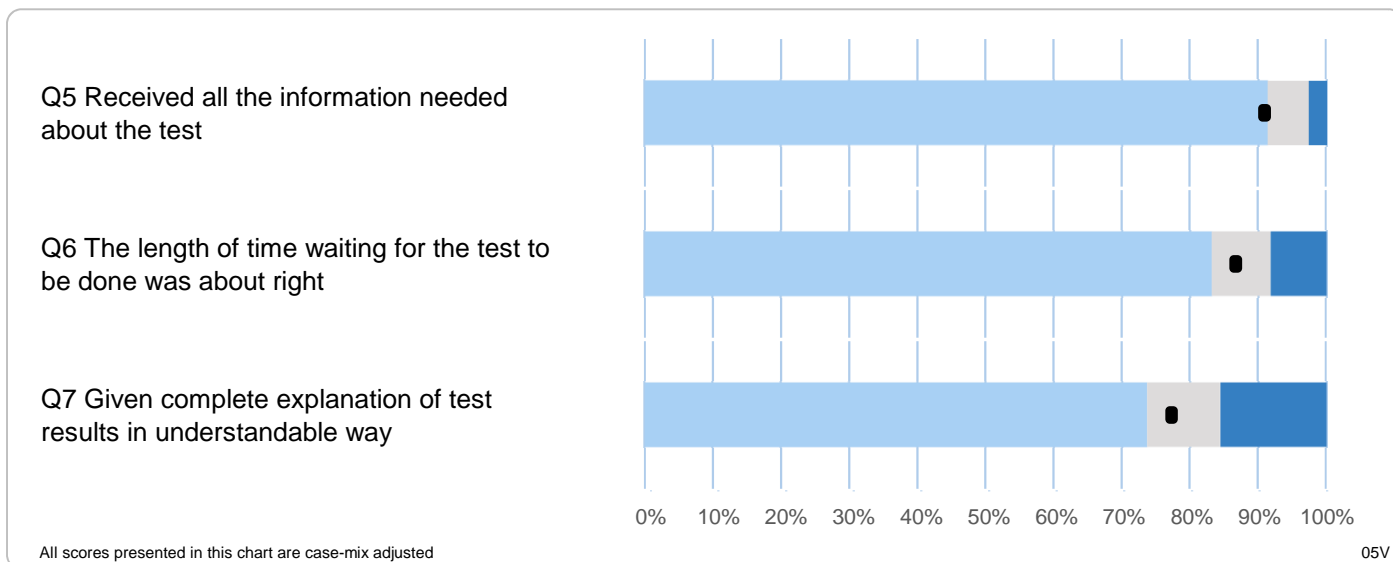


Question		Unadjusted Scores				2016 Case Mix Adjusted			
		2015		2016		2016 Score	Expected range - lower	Expected range - upper	National Average Score
		Number of respondents	Score	Number of respondents	Score				
Q1	Saw GP once / twice before being told had to go to hospital	223	80%	191	73%		71%	83%	77%
Q2	Patient thought they were seen as soon as necessary	289	85%	253	80%		79%	88%	83%

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## CCG results

### Diagnostic Tests



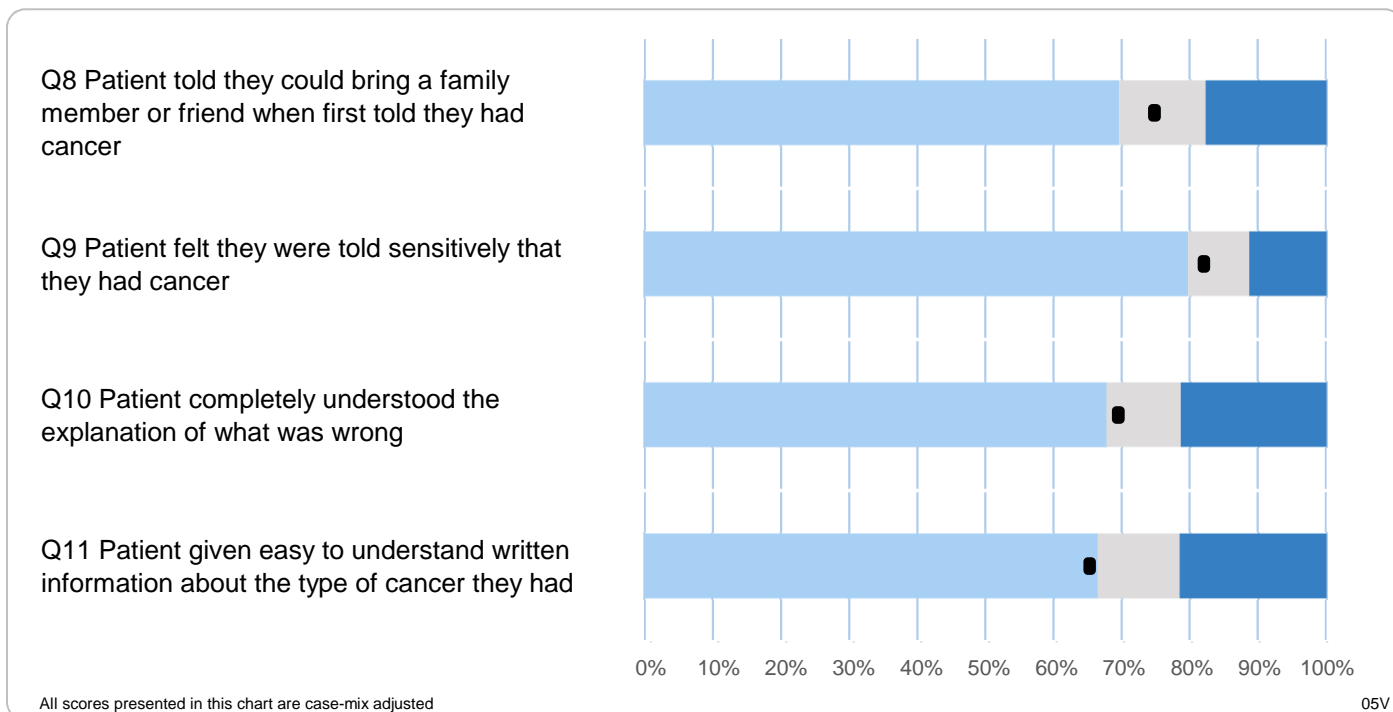
Question	Unadjusted Scores					2016 Case Mix Adjusted			
	2015		2016		Change from 2015	2016 Score	Expected range - lower	Expected range - upper	National Average Score
Number of respondents	Score	Number of respondents	Score						
Q5 Received all the information needed about the test	-	-	227	91%		91%	91%	97%	94%
Q6 The length of time waiting for the test to be done was about right	243	88%	227	87%		87%	83%	92%	87%
Q7 Given complete explanation of test results in understandable way	243	81%	225	78%		77%	74%	84%	79%

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## CCG results

### Finding out what was wrong with you

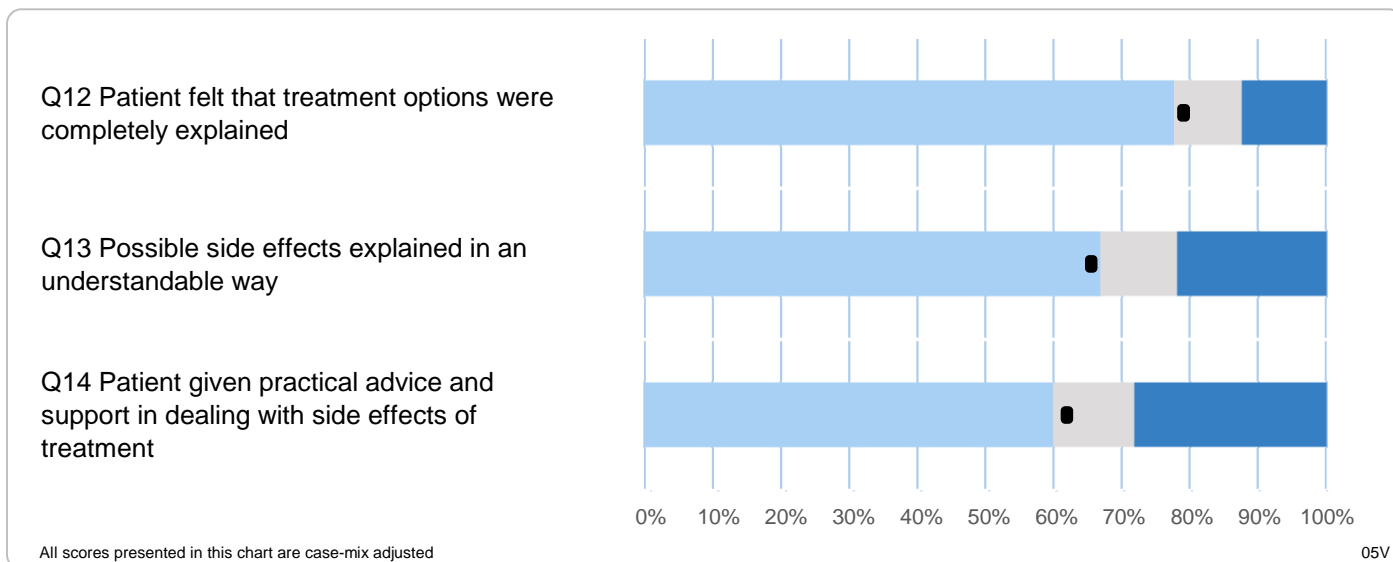


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	2015	2016	2016		Change from 2015	2016 Score	Expected range - lower	Expected range - upper	National Average Score
Number of respondents	Score	Number of respondents	Score						
Q8 Patient told they could bring a family member or friend when first told they had cancer	-	-	235	74%		75%	70%	82%	76%
Q9 Patient felt they were told sensitively that they had cancer	294	87%	254	82%		82%	80%	89%	84%
Q10 Patient completely understood the explanation of what was wrong	293	72%	253	70%		69%	68%	79%	73%
Q11 Patient given easy to understand written information about the type of cancer they had	252	71%	214	65%		65%	66%	78%	72%

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## CCG results

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

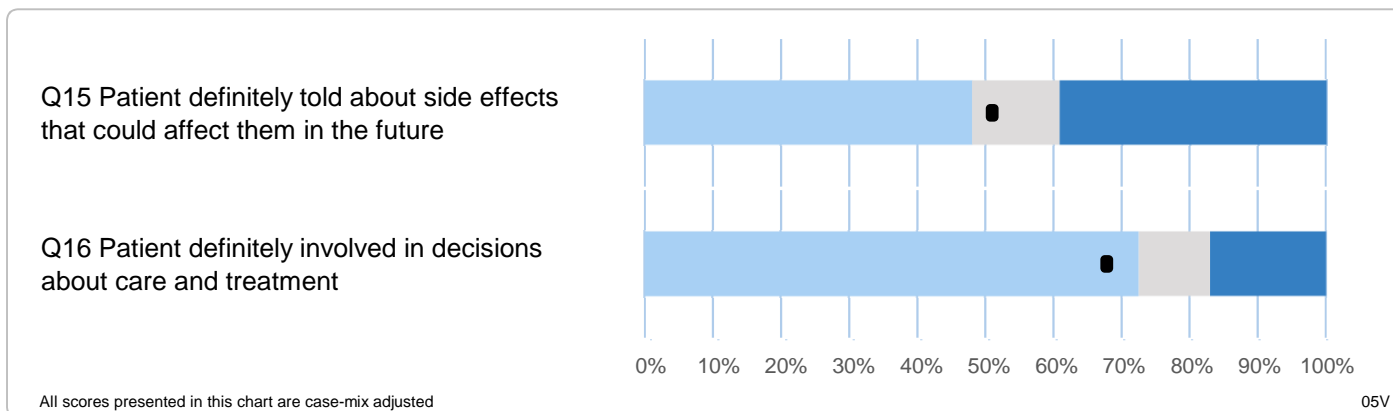


Question	Unadjusted Scores					2016 Case Mix Adjusted			
	2015	2016	Change from 2015		2016 Score	Expected range - lower	Expected range - upper	National Average Score	
	Number of respondents	Score	Number of respondents	Score					
Q12 Patient felt that treatment options were completely explained	254	80%	221	80%		79%	78%	88%	83%
Q13 Possible side effects explained in an understandable way	285	73%	245	66%		65%	67%	78%	72%
Q14 Patient given practical advice and support in dealing with side effects of treatment	288	67%	242	62%		62%	60%	72%	66%

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## CCG results

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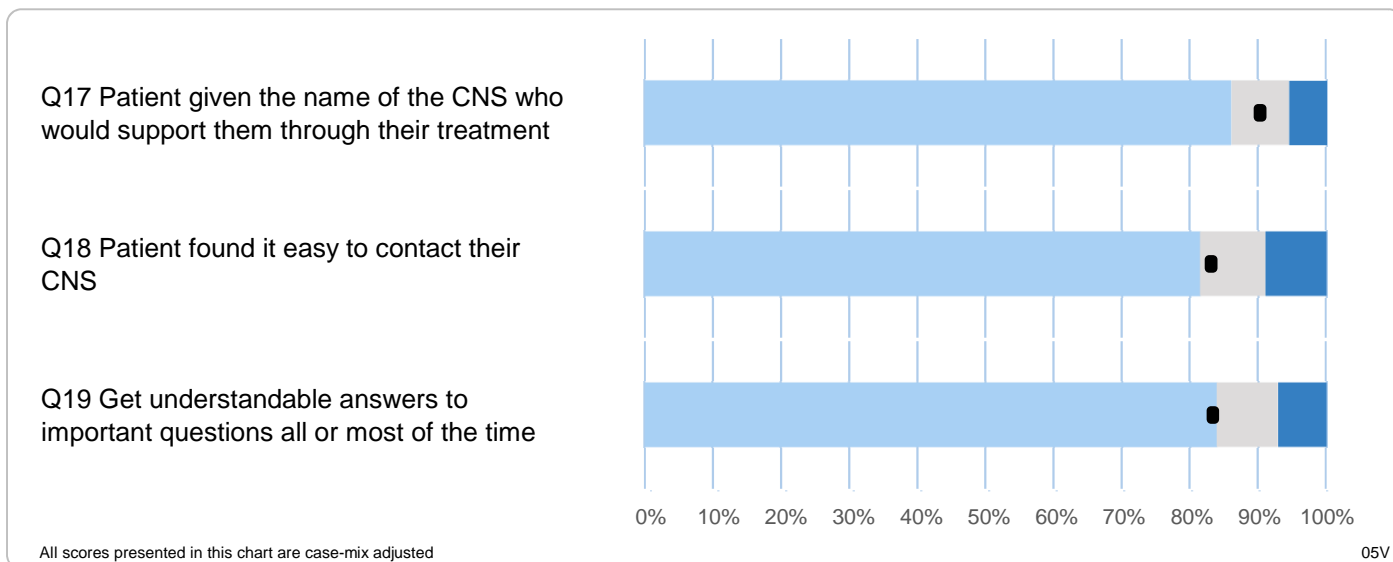


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	2015		2016		Change from 2015	2016 Score	Expected range - lower	Expected range - upper	National Average Score
Number of respondents	Score	Number of respondents	Score						
Q15 Patient definitely told about side effects that could affect them in the future	257	51%	234	50%		51%	48%	61%	54%
Q16 Patient definitely involved in decisions about care and treatment	285	79%	247	68%		68%	73%	83%	78%

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## CCG results

### Clinical Nurse Specialist

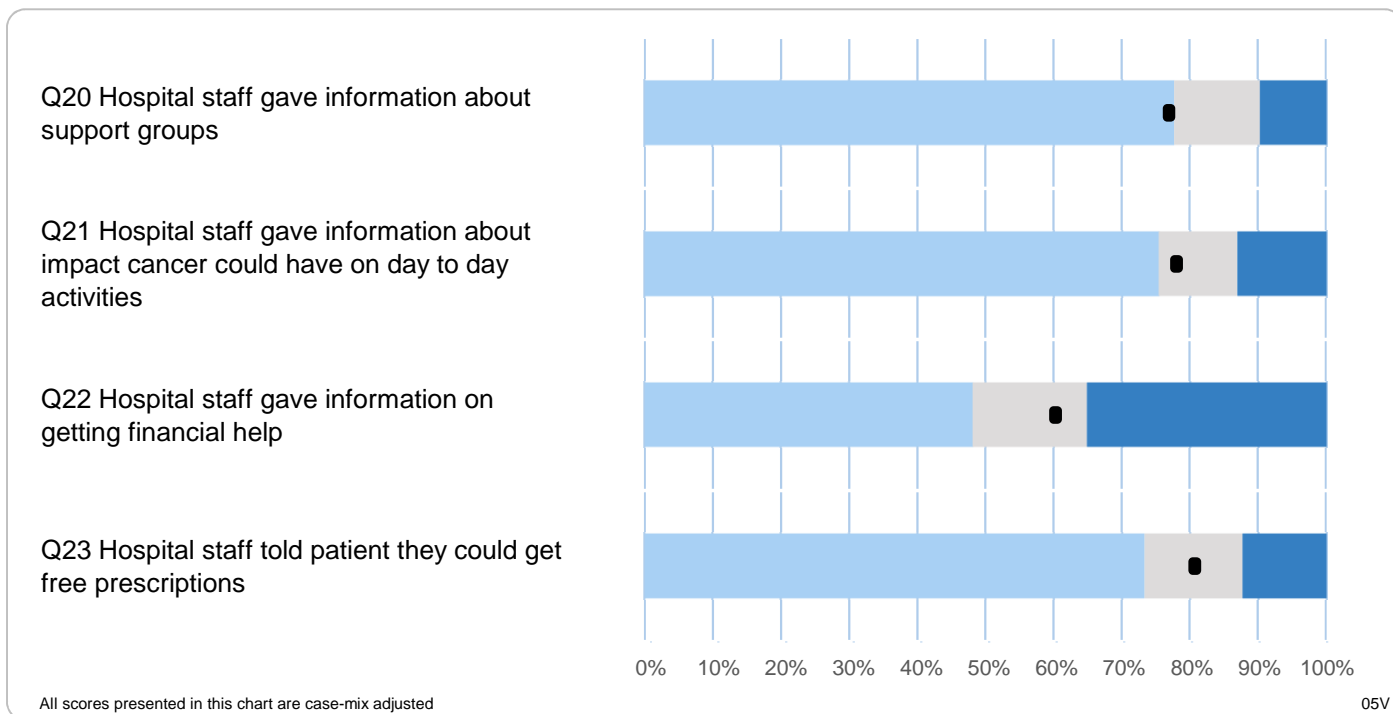


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	2015	2016		Change from 2015	2016 Score	Expected range - lower	Expected range - upper	National Average Score	
Number of respondents	Score	Number of respondents	Score						
Q17 Patient given the name of the CNS who would support them through their treatment	277	84%	249	90%	90%	86%	94%	90%	
Q18 Patient found it easy to contact their CNS	200	83%	197	83%	83%	81%	91%	86%	
Q19 Get understandable answers to important questions all or most of the time	196	87%	196	84%	83%	84%	93%	88%	

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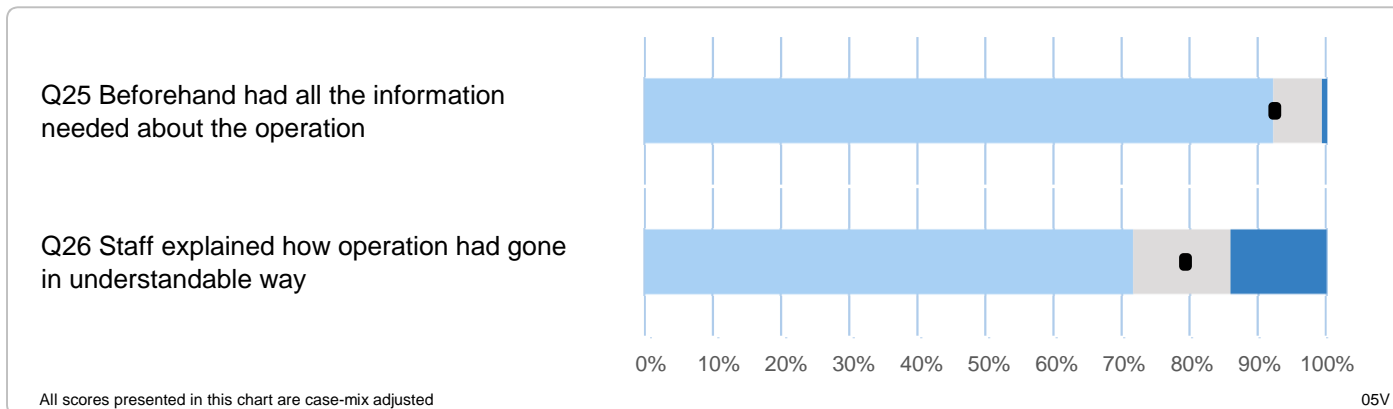


Question	Unadjusted Scores					2016 Case Mix Adjusted			
	2015	2016	Change from 2015		2016 Score	Expected range - lower	Expected range - upper	National Average Score	
	Number of respondents	Score	Number of respondents	Score					
Q20 Hospital staff gave information about support groups	195	81%	187	78%		77%	78%	90%	84%
Q21 Hospital staff gave information about impact cancer could have on day to day activities	180	84%	179	79%		78%	75%	87%	81%
Q22 Hospital staff gave information on getting financial help	134	54%	135	60%		60%	48%	65%	56%
Q23 Hospital staff told patient they could get free prescriptions	125	84%	118	81%		81%	73%	88%	80%

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## CCG results

### Operations

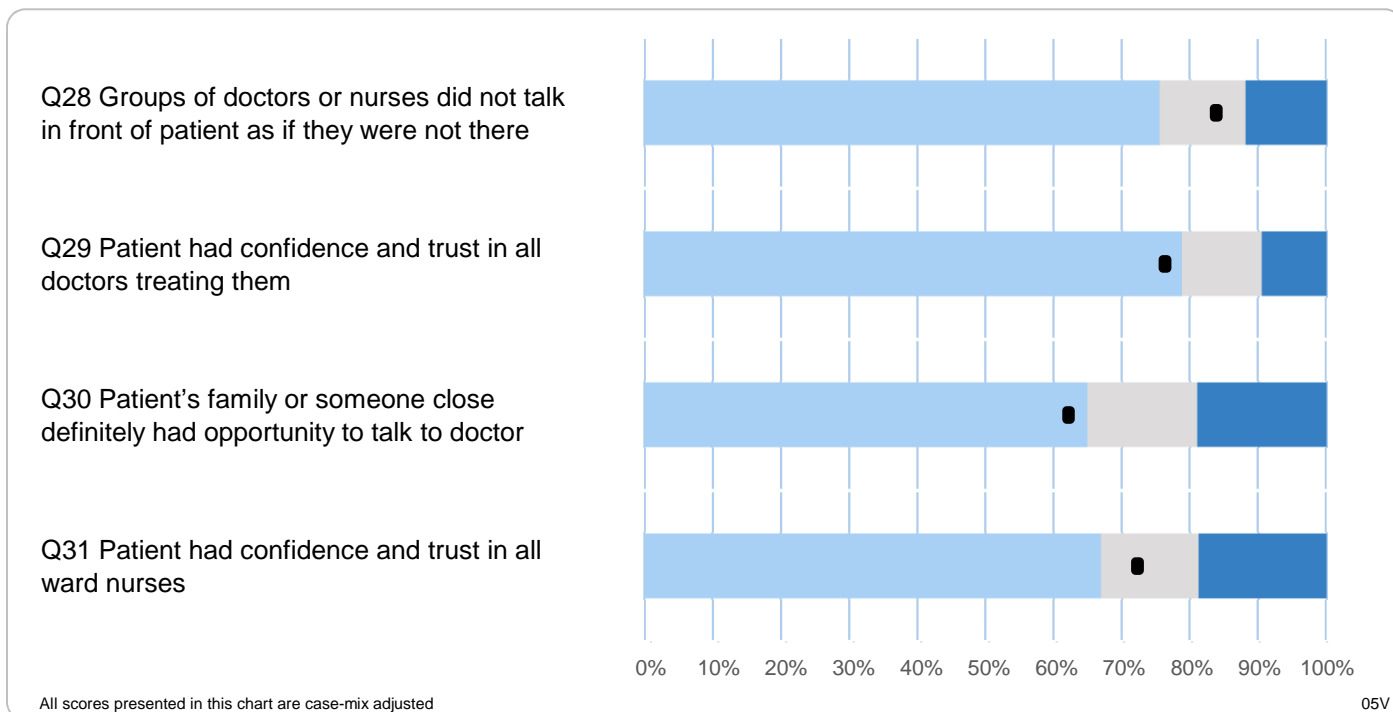


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	2015		2016		Change from 2015	2016 Score	Expected range - lower	Expected range - upper	National Average Score	
Number of respondents	Score	Number of respondents	Score							
Q25	Beforehand had all the information needed about the operation	-	-	124	93%		92%	92%	99%	96%
Q26	Staff explained how operation had gone in understandable way	154	77%	125	80%		79%	72%	86%	79%

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## CCG results

### Hospital care as an inpatient (Part 1 of 3)

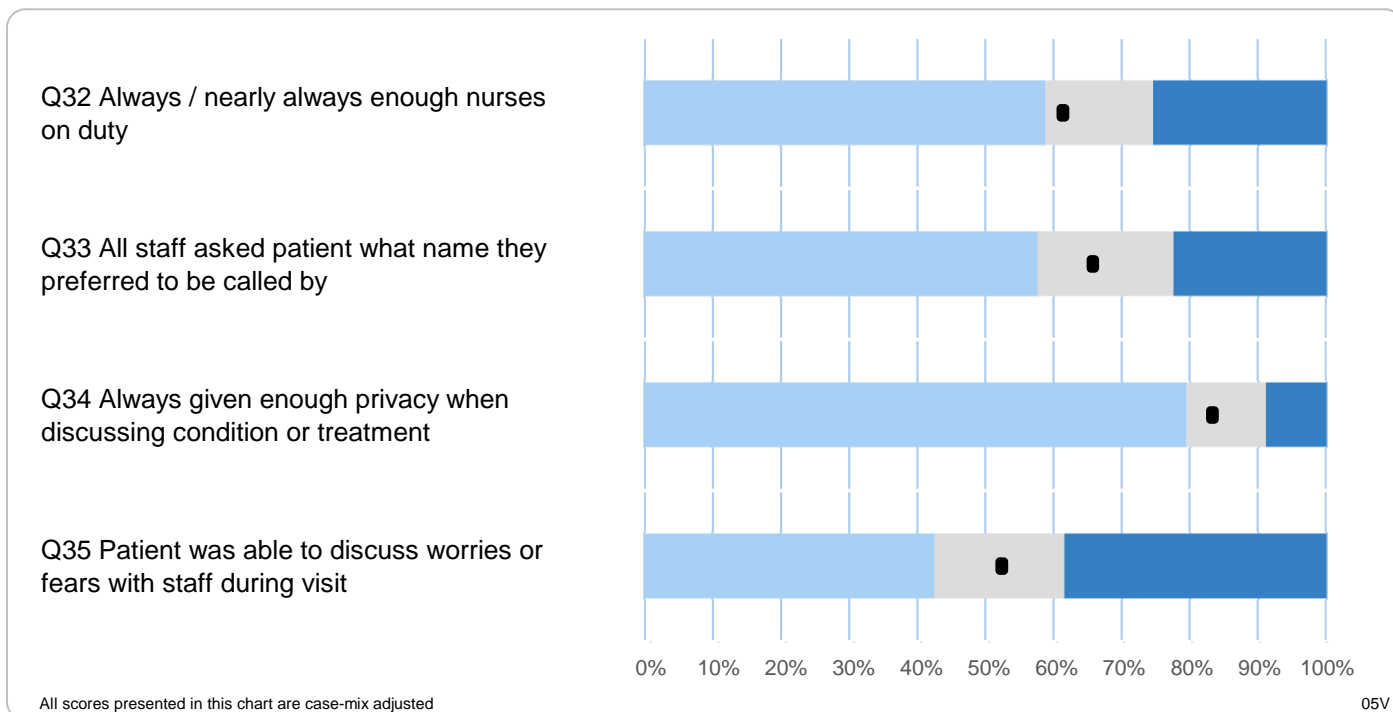


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	2015	2016	2016		Change from 2015	2016 Score	Expected range - lower	Expected range - upper	National Average Score
Number of respondents	Score	Number of respondents	Score						
Q28 Groups of doctors or nurses did not talk in front of patient as if they were not there	189	79%	144	85%		84%	76%	88%	82%
Q29 Patient had confidence and trust in all doctors treating them	190	77%	144	76%		76%	79%	91%	85%
Q30 Patient's family or someone close definitely had opportunity to talk to doctor	158	67%	117	62%		62%	65%	81%	73%
Q31 Patient had confidence and trust in all ward nurses	190	63%	144	72%		72%	67%	81%	74%

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## CCG results

### Hospital care as an inpatient (Part 2 of 3)



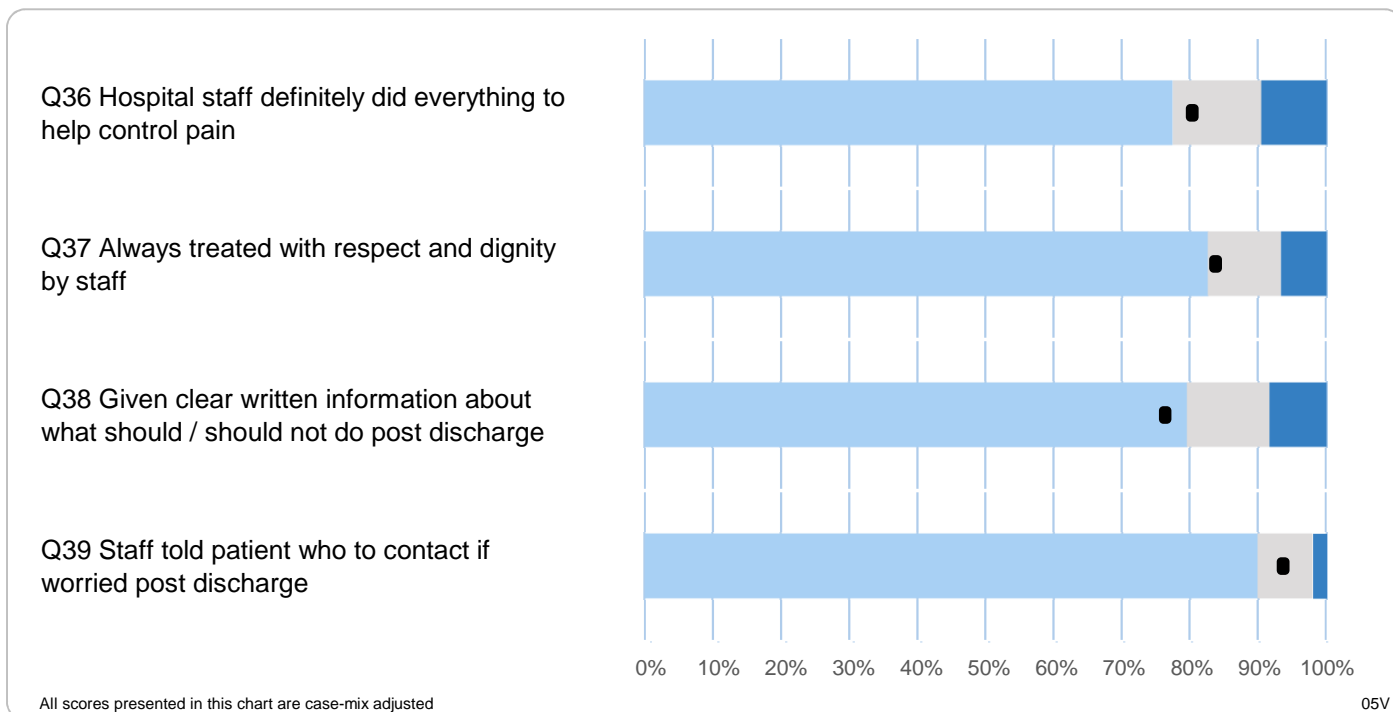
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	2015	2016	2016		Change from 2015	2016 Score	Expected range - lower	Expected range - upper	National Average Score
Number of respondents	Score	Number of respondents	Score						
Q32 Always / nearly always enough nurses on duty	189	59%	142	61%		61%	59%	75%	67%
Q33 All staff asked patient what name they preferred to be called by	187	65%	141	65%		66%	58%	78%	68%
Q34 Always given enough privacy when discussing condition or treatment	189	84%	143	83%		83%	79%	91%	85%
Q35 Patient was able to discuss worries or fears with staff during visit	135	43%	105	52%		52%	43%	62%	52%

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## CCG results

### Hospital care as an inpatient (Part 3 of 3)

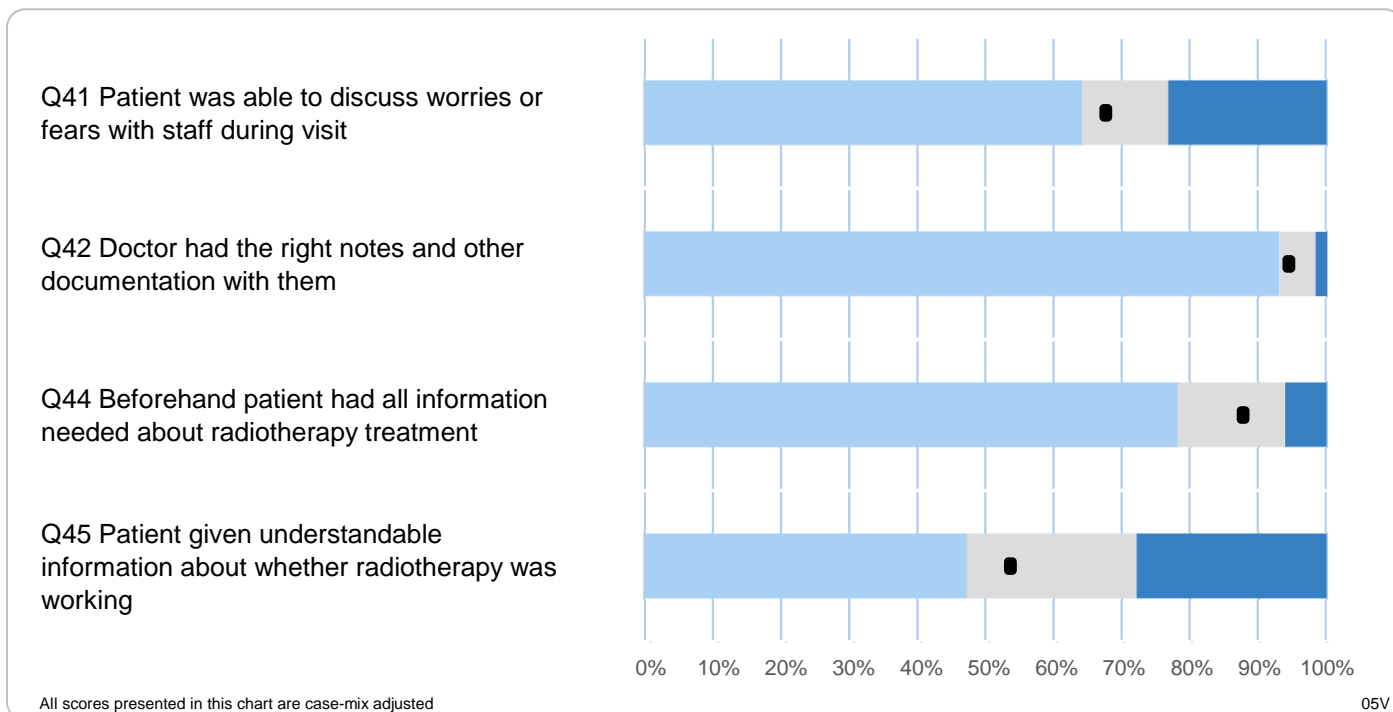


Question	Unadjusted Scores					2016 Case Mix Adjusted			
	2015	2016	2016		Change from 2015	2016 Score	Expected range - lower	Expected range - upper	National Average Score
Number of respondents	Score	Number of respondents	Score						
Q36 Hospital staff definitely did everything to help control pain	156	81%	122	81%		80%	77%	90%	84%
Q37 Always treated with respect and dignity by staff	190	83%	143	84%		84%	83%	93%	88%
Q38 Given clear written information about what should / should not do post discharge	172	82%	129	76%		76%	80%	92%	86%
Q39 Staff told patient who to contact if worried post discharge	178	94%	135	94%		93%	90%	98%	94%

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

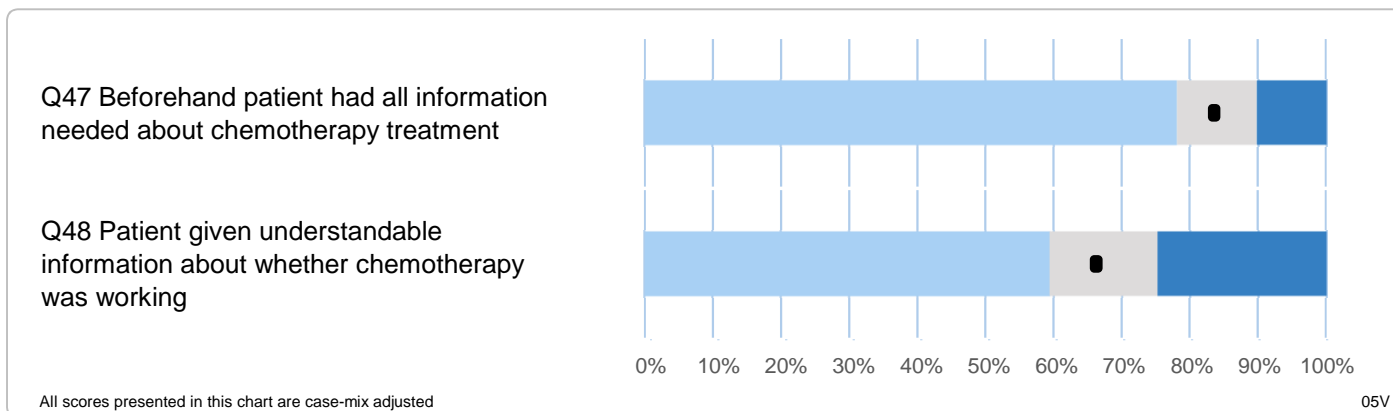


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	2015	2016	2016		Change from 2015	2016 Score	Expected range - lower	Expected range - upper	National Average Score
Number of respondents	Score	Number of respondents	Score						
Q41 Patient was able to discuss worries or fears with staff during visit	217	69%	200	69%		67%	64%	77%	70%
Q42 Doctor had the right notes and other documentation with them	265	95%	234	94%		94%	93%	98%	96%
Q44 Beforehand patient had all information needed about radiotherapy treatment	65	85%	75	88%		88%	78%	94%	86%
Q45 Patient given understandable information about whether radiotherapy was working	58	57%	60	53%		53%	47%	72%	60%

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## CCG results

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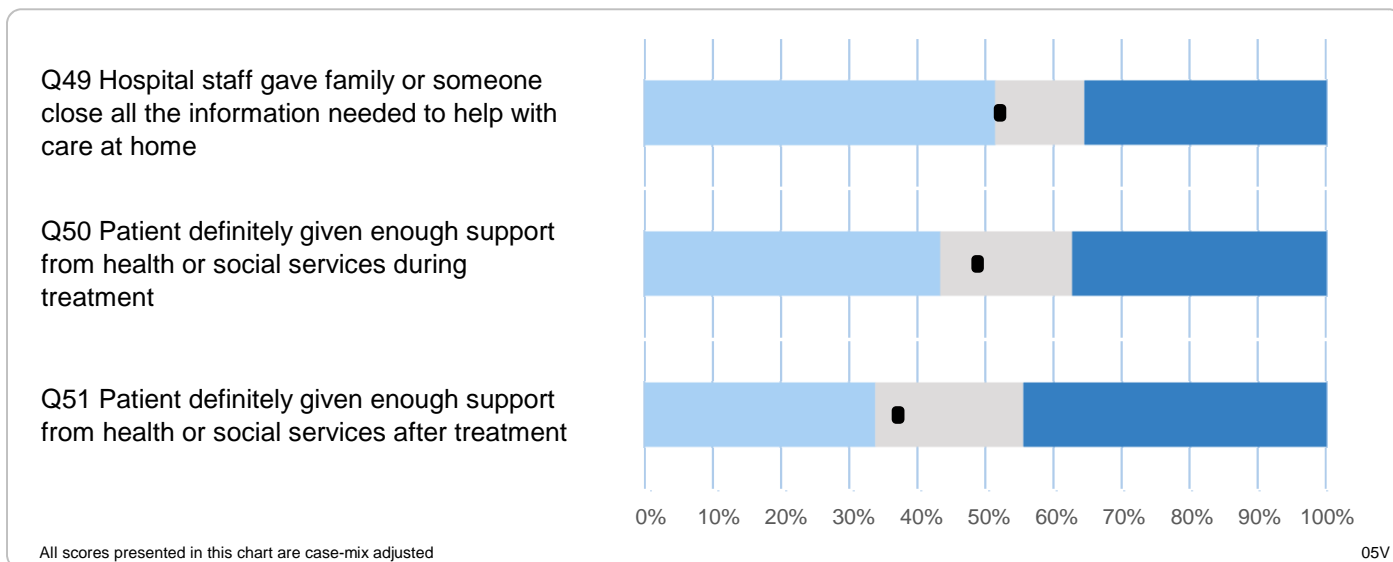


Question	Unadjusted Scores					2016 Case Mix Adjusted			
	2015		2016		Change from 2015	2016 Score	Expected range - lower	Expected range - upper	National Average Score
Number of respondents	Score	Number of respondents	Score						
Q47 Beforehand patient had all information needed about chemotherapy treatment	187	81%	153	84%		83%	78%	90%	84%
Q48 Patient given understandable information about whether chemotherapy was working	170	65%	135	66%		66%	59%	75%	67%

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### Home care and support

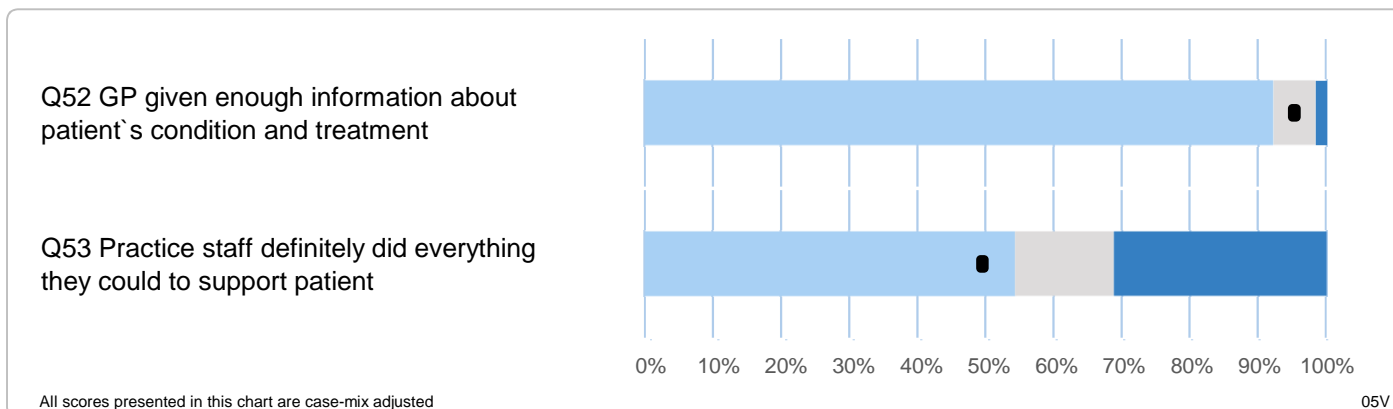


Question	Unadjusted Scores			2016 Case Mix Adjusted					
	2015	2016		2016 Score	Expected range - lower	Expected range - upper	National Average Score		
Number of respondents	Score	Number of respondents	Score					Change from 2015	
Q49 Hospital staff gave family or someone close all the information needed to help with care at home	231	58%	220	53%	↓	52%	51%	64%	58%
Q50 Patient definitely given enough support from health or social services during treatment	160	51%	146	51%	↔	49%	43%	63%	53%
Q51 Patient definitely given enough support from health or social services after treatment	85	39%	81	38%	↔	37%	34%	56%	45%

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## CCG results

### Care from your general practice

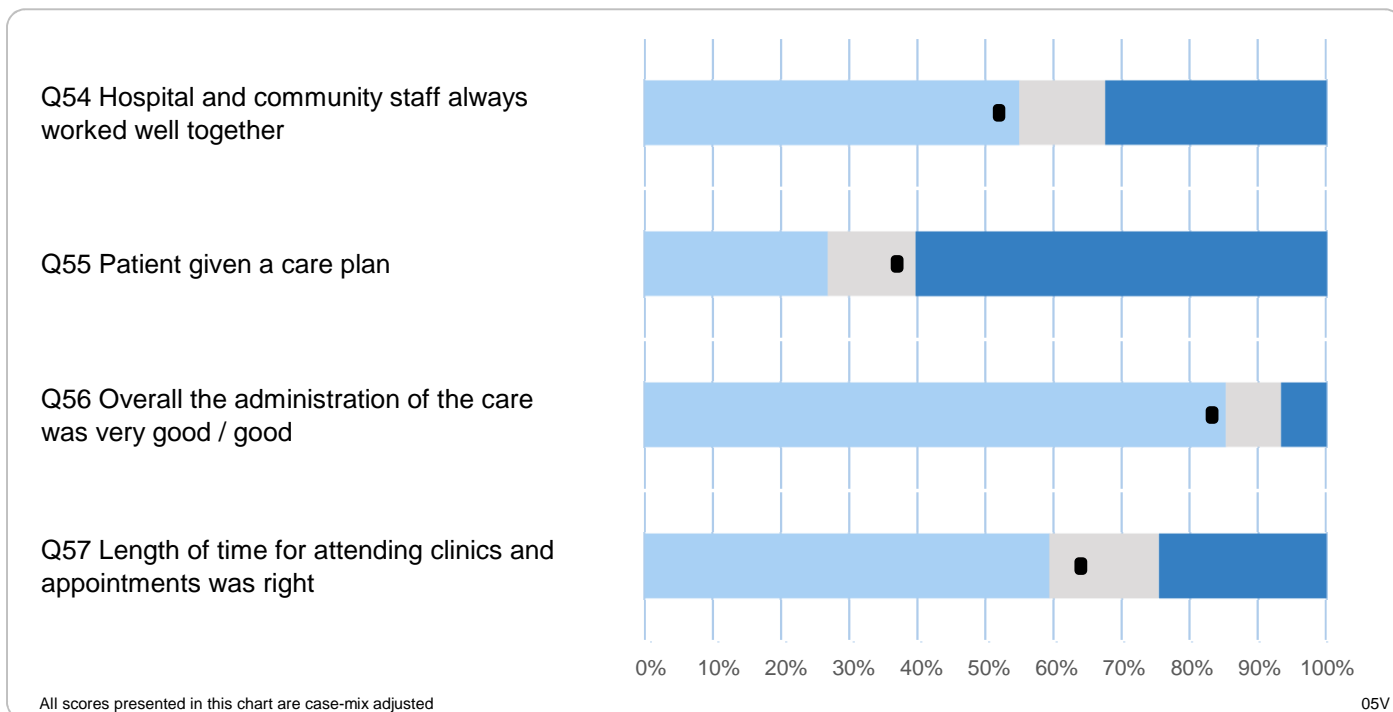


Question	Unadjusted Scores					2016 Case Mix Adjusted				
	2015		2016		Change from 2015	2016 Score	Expected range - lower	Expected range - upper	National Average Score	
	Number of respondents	Score	Number of respondents	Score						
Q52	GP given enough information about patient's condition and treatment	221	95%	183	96%		95%	92%	98%	95%
Q53	Practice staff definitely did everything they could to support patient	191	59%	184	50%		49%	54%	69%	62%

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### Your overall NHS care (Part 1 of 2)

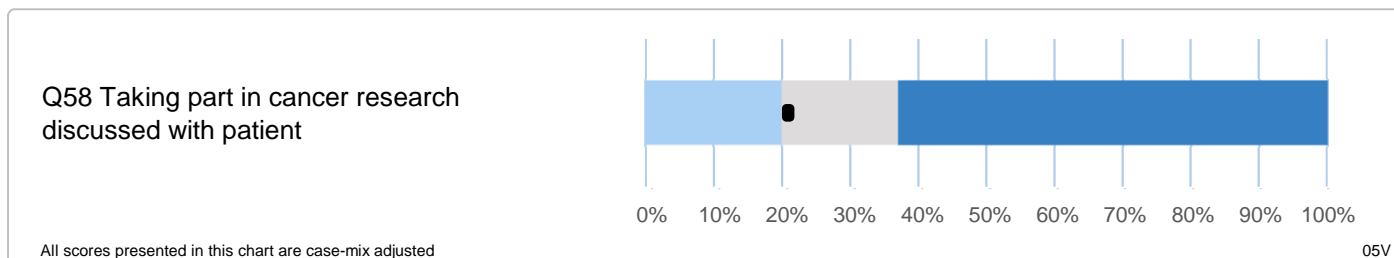


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	2015	2016	2016		Change from 2015	2016 Score	Expected range - lower	Expected range - upper	National Average Score
Number of respondents	Score	Number of respondents	Score						
Q54 Hospital and community staff always worked well together	286	58%	245	52%		52%	55%	68%	61%
Q55 Patient given a care plan	228	37%	207	36%		37%	27%	40%	33%
Q56 Overall the administration of the care was very good / good	291	87%	254	83%		83%	85%	93%	89%
Q57 Length of time for attending clinics and appointments was right	290	65%	250	64%		64%	59%	75%	67%

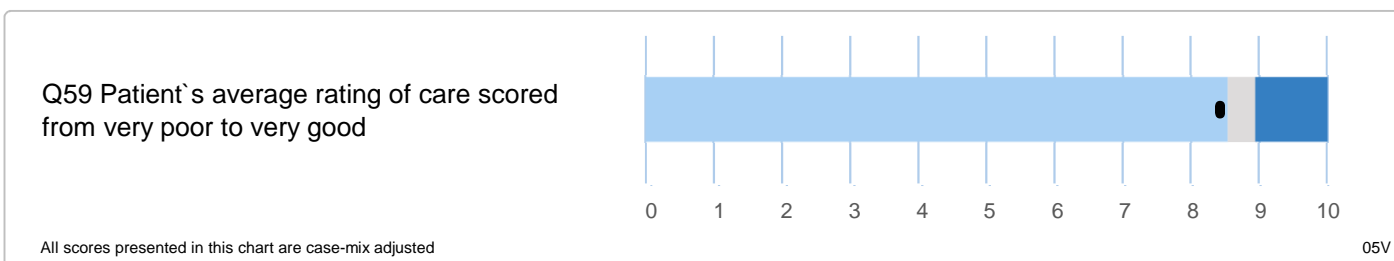
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## CCG results

### Your overall NHS care (Part 2 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						
Q58 Taking part in cancer research discussed with patient	289	24%	245	20%		21%	20%	37%	29%



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## 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 <sup>§</sup>	National	This CCG <sup>§</sup>	National
Brain / CNS	n.a.	63%	n.a.	79%
Breast	92%	94%	88%	90%
Colorectal / LGT	60%	71%	75%	81%
Gynaecological	*	75%	*	79%
Haematological	42%	65%	71%	81%
Head and Neck	*	77%	*	79%
Lung	*	70%	*	83%
Prostate	*	78%	*	86%
Sarcoma	n.a.	66%	n.a.	67%
Skin	*	90%	*	86%
Upper Gastro	*	72%	*	78%
Urological	*	82%	*	85%
Other	*	72%	73%	79%
<b>All Cancers</b>	<b>73%</b>	<b>77%</b>	<b>80%</b>	<b>83%</b>

<sup>§</sup> These are unadjusted scores



## 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 <sup>§</sup>	National	This CCG <sup>§</sup>	National	This CCG <sup>§</sup>	National
Brain / CNS	n.a.	90%	n.a.	81%	n.a.	70%
Breast	91%	95%	92%	92%	80%	82%
Colorectal / LGT	91%	95%	82%	87%	79%	80%
Gynaecological	*	93%	*	85%	*	75%
Haematological	97%	94%	87%	89%	79%	77%
Head and Neck	*	93%	*	85%	*	78%
Lung	*	94%	*	87%	*	78%
Prostate	*	95%	*	86%	*	80%
Sarcoma	n.a.	93%	n.a.	79%	n.a.	74%
Skin	*	95%	*	88%	*	85%
Upper Gastro	*	93%	*	82%	*	77%
Urological	*	94%	*	87%	*	79%
Other	*	95%	*	86%	*	76%
<b>All Cancers</b>	<b>91%</b>	<b>94%</b>	<b>87%</b>	<b>87%</b>	<b>78%</b>	<b>79%</b>

<sup>§</sup> These are unadjusted scores

## 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 <sup>§</sup>	National	This CCG <sup>§</sup>	National	This CCG <sup>§</sup>	National	This CCG <sup>§</sup>	National
Brain / CNS	n.a.	83%	n.a.	73%	n.a.	63%	n.a.	63%
Breast	84%	82%	91%	88%	76%	78%	76%	77%
Colorectal / LGT	74%	80%	82%	86%	73%	78%	67%	71%
Gynaecological	*	71%	*	82%	*	72%	*	69%
Haematological	64%	71%	79%	83%	60%	60%	71%	74%
Head and Neck	*	70%	*	86%	*	75%	*	64%
Lung	*	78%	*	83%	*	75%	*	65%
Prostate	*	77%	*	84%	*	78%	*	81%
Sarcoma	n.a.	72%	n.a.	81%	n.a.	67%	n.a.	64%
Skin	*	63%	*	89%	*	79%	*	83%
Upper Gastro	*	77%	*	80%	*	72%	*	66%
Urological	*	72%	*	83%	*	77%	*	72%
Other	76%	74%	68%	82%	59%	70%	*	62%
<b>All Cancers</b>	<b>74%</b>	<b>76%</b>	<b>82%</b>	<b>84%</b>	<b>70%</b>	<b>73%</b>	<b>65%</b>	<b>72%</b>

<sup>§</sup> These are unadjusted scores

## 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 <sup>§</sup>	National	This CCG <sup>§</sup>	National	This CCG <sup>§</sup>	National
Brain / CNS	n.a.	78%	n.a.	72%	n.a.	61%
Breast	81%	84%	73%	75%	71%	69%
Colorectal / LGT	81%	85%	68%	75%	59%	68%
Gynaecological	*	84%	*	74%	*	66%
Haematological	77%	81%	67%	69%	60%	64%
Head and Neck	*	85%	*	70%	*	68%
Lung	*	83%	*	74%	*	68%
Prostate	*	81%	*	72%	*	62%
Sarcoma	n.a.	83%	n.a.	72%	n.a.	66%
Skin	*	88%	*	76%	*	70%
Upper Gastro	*	83%	*	73%	*	67%
Urological	*	81%	*	72%	*	62%
Other	*	79%	73%	70%	71%	63%
<b>All Cancers</b>	<b>80%</b>	<b>83%</b>	<b>66%</b>	<b>72%</b>	<b>62%</b>	<b>66%</b>

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 <sup>§</sup>	National	This CCG <sup>§</sup>	National
Brain / CNS	n.a.	55%	n.a.	73%
Breast	56%	56%	79%	79%
Colorectal / LGT	42%	56%	65%	79%
Gynaecological	*	52%	*	77%
Haematological	50%	49%	65%	77%
Head and Neck	*	59%	*	78%
Lung	*	54%	*	79%
Prostate	*	63%	*	79%
Sarcoma	n.a.	54%	n.a.	80%
Skin	*	61%	*	85%
Upper Gastro	*	53%	*	77%
Urological	*	53%	*	77%
Other	55%	50%	64%	74%
<b>All Cancers</b>	<b>50%</b>	<b>54%</b>	<b>68%</b>	<b>78%</b>

<sup>§</sup> These are unadjusted scores

## 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 <sup>§</sup>	National	This CCG <sup>§</sup>	National	This CCG <sup>§</sup>	National
Brain / CNS	n.a.	95%	n.a.	82%	n.a.	83%
Breast	91%	94%	82%	86%	87%	89%
Colorectal / LGT	91%	91%	81%	88%	81%	89%
Gynaecological	*	94%	*	84%	*	87%
Haematological	89%	90%	89%	88%	91%	89%
Head and Neck	*	88%	*	87%	*	87%
Lung	*	94%	*	88%	*	88%
Prostate	*	88%	*	84%	*	88%
Sarcoma	n.a.	88%	n.a.	87%	n.a.	90%
Skin	*	88%	*	89%	*	90%
Upper Gastro	*	92%	*	86%	*	87%
Urological	*	81%	*	85%	*	89%
Other	82%	87%	*	85%	*	86%
<b>All Cancers</b>	<b>90%</b>	<b>90%</b>	<b>83%</b>	<b>86%</b>	<b>84%</b>	<b>88%</b>

<sup>§</sup> These are unadjusted scores

## 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 <sup>§</sup>	National	This CCG <sup>§</sup>	National	This CCG <sup>§</sup>	National	This CCG <sup>§</sup>	National
Brain / CNS	n.a.	84%	n.a.	81%	n.a.	67%	n.a.	71%
Breast	85%	89%	83%	85%	69%	62%	83%	80%
Colorectal / LGT	87%	84%	76%	82%	57%	54%	*	82%
Gynaecological	*	83%	*	79%	*	58%	*	77%
Haematological	61%	83%	74%	82%	54%	58%	76%	86%
Head and Neck	*	83%	*	80%	*	59%	*	79%
Lung	*	83%	*	80%	*	69%	*	84%
Prostate	*	86%	*	83%	*	44%	*	79%
Sarcoma	n.a.	83%	n.a.	82%	n.a.	56%	n.a.	78%
Skin	*	86%	*	82%	*	52%	*	62%
Upper Gastro	*	83%	*	80%	*	60%	*	84%
Urological	*	74%	*	72%	*	35%	*	67%
Other	*	80%	*	77%	*	55%	*	80%
<b>All Cancers</b>	<b>78%</b>	<b>84%</b>	<b>79%</b>	<b>81%</b>	<b>60%</b>	<b>56%</b>	<b>81%</b>	<b>80%</b>

<sup>§</sup> These are unadjusted scores

## 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 <sup>§</sup>	National	This CCG <sup>§</sup>	National
Brain / CNS	n.a.	93%	n.a.	68%
Breast	95%	97%	79%	78%
Colorectal / LGT	93%	96%	84%	83%
Gynaecological	*	96%	*	79%
Haematological	*	93%	*	75%
Head and Neck	*	94%	*	78%
Lung	*	97%	*	79%
Prostate	*	96%	*	77%
Sarcoma	n.a.	93%	n.a.	80%
Skin	*	96%	*	83%
Upper Gastro	*	96%	*	79%
Urological	*	95%	*	77%
Other	*	95%	*	78%
<b>All Cancers</b>	<b>93%</b>	<b>96%</b>	<b>80%</b>	<b>79%</b>

<sup>§</sup> These are unadjusted scores

## 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 <sup>§</sup>	National	This CCG <sup>§</sup>	National	This CCG <sup>§</sup>	National	This CCG <sup>§</sup>	National
Brain / CNS	n.a.	74%	n.a.	79%	n.a.	61%	n.a.	66%
Breast	91%	89%	66%	86%	62%	76%	74%	76%
Colorectal / LGT	70%	76%	83%	85%	58%	72%	66%	70%
Gynaecological	*	85%	*	85%	*	72%	*	71%
Haematological	86%	81%	82%	81%	*	73%	77%	74%
Head and Neck	*	79%	*	84%	*	74%	*	72%
Lung	*	77%	*	82%	*	73%	*	75%
Prostate	*	85%	*	88%	*	74%	*	79%
Sarcoma	n.a.	80%	n.a.	85%	n.a.	72%	n.a.	74%
Skin	*	87%	*	92%	*	80%	*	85%
Upper Gastro	*	74%	*	82%	*	73%	*	71%
Urological	*	80%	*	86%	*	71%	*	77%
Other	*	79%	*	81%	*	70%	*	71%
<b>All Cancers</b>	<b>85%</b>	<b>82%</b>	<b>76%</b>	<b>85%</b>	<b>62%</b>	<b>73%</b>	<b>72%</b>	<b>74%</b>

	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 <sup>§</sup>	National	This CCG <sup>§</sup>	National	This CCG <sup>§</sup>	National	This CCG <sup>§</sup>	National
Brain / CNS	n.a.	59%	n.a.	65%	n.a.	76%	n.a.	38%
Breast	66%	71%	51%	61%	83%	86%	43%	54%
Colorectal / LGT	62%	62%	68%	70%	79%	84%	68%	53%
Gynaecological	*	66%	*	65%	*	83%	*	50%
Haematological	52%	62%	71%	70%	90%	86%	*	56%
Head and Neck	*	65%	*	69%	*	86%	*	54%
Lung	*	70%	*	72%	*	83%	*	50%
Prostate	*	73%	*	68%	*	89%	*	52%
Sarcoma	n.a.	71%	n.a.	71%	n.a.	88%	n.a.	53%
Skin	*	78%	*	67%	*	90%	*	62%
Upper Gastro	*	64%	*	74%	*	83%	*	50%
Urological	*	68%	*	72%	*	87%	*	47%
Other	*	62%	*	68%	*	83%	*	47%
<b>All Cancers</b>	<b>61%</b>	<b>67%</b>	<b>65%</b>	<b>68%</b>	<b>83%</b>	<b>85%</b>	<b>52%</b>	<b>52%</b>

<sup>§</sup> These are unadjusted scores

## 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 <sup>§</sup>	National	This CCG <sup>§</sup>	National	This CCG <sup>§</sup>	National	This CCG <sup>§</sup>	National
Brain / CNS	n.a.	79%	n.a.	79%	n.a.	76%	n.a.	91%
Breast	87%	86%	83%	88%	93%	91%	97%	96%
Colorectal / LGT	88%	84%	83%	87%	85%	84%	97%	94%
Gynaecological	*	83%	*	87%	*	87%	*	94%
Haematological	*	83%	86%	89%	*	80%	*	95%
Head and Neck	*	81%	*	87%	*	85%	*	91%
Lung	*	84%	*	87%	*	81%	*	91%
Prostate	*	85%	*	91%	*	89%	*	94%
Sarcoma	n.a.	87%	n.a.	90%	n.a.	84%	n.a.	94%
Skin	*	87%	*	92%	*	89%	*	95%
Upper Gastro	*	82%	*	86%	*	82%	*	93%
Urological	*	82%	*	89%	*	86%	*	91%
Other	*	82%	*	86%	*	81%	*	93%
<b>All Cancers</b>	<b>81%</b>	<b>84%</b>	<b>84%</b>	<b>88%</b>	<b>76%</b>	<b>86%</b>	<b>94%</b>	<b>94%</b>

<sup>§</sup> These are unadjusted scores



## 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 <sup>§</sup>	National	This CCG <sup>§</sup>	National	This CCG <sup>§</sup>	National	This CCG <sup>§</sup>	National
Brain / CNS	n.a.	63%	n.a.	95%	n.a.	86%	n.a.	58%
Breast	67%	70%	91%	96%	89%	88%	55%	60%
Colorectal / LGT	75%	72%	97%	96%	*	86%	*	58%
Gynaecological	*	68%	*	95%	*	85%	*	62%
Haematological	76%	74%	94%	97%	*	84%	*	64%
Head and Neck	*	71%	*	96%	*	84%	*	61%
Lung	*	70%	*	95%	*	85%	*	58%
Prostate	*	72%	*	96%	*	89%	*	58%
Sarcoma	n.a.	72%	n.a.	97%	n.a.	89%	n.a.	69%
Skin	*	72%	*	97%	n.a.	84%	n.a.	59%
Upper Gastro	*	68%	*	94%	*	86%	*	57%
Urological	*	68%	*	96%	*	81%	n.a.	56%
Other	*	67%	*	95%	*	83%	*	58%
<b>All Cancers</b>	<b>69%</b>	<b>70%</b>	<b>94%</b>	<b>96%</b>	<b>88%</b>	<b>86%</b>	<b>53%</b>	<b>60%</b>

Cancer type	Q47. Beforehand patient had all information needed about chemotherapy treatment		Q48. Patient given understandable information about whether chemotherapy was working	
	This CCG <sup>§</sup>	National	This CCG <sup>§</sup>	National
Brain / CNS	n.a.	80%	n.a.	59%
Breast	83%	82%	60%	62%
Colorectal / LGT	82%	85%	82%	63%
Gynaecological	*	84%	*	66%
Haematological	83%	84%	65%	75%
Head and Neck	*	80%	*	58%
Lung	*	84%	*	68%
Prostate	*	84%	*	67%
Sarcoma	n.a.	86%	n.a.	73%
Skin	n.a.	88%	n.a.	78%
Upper Gastro	*	84%	*	64%
Urological	*	84%	*	67%
Other	*	85%	*	68%
<b>All Cancers</b>	<b>84%</b>	<b>84%</b>	<b>66%</b>	<b>67%</b>

<sup>§</sup> These are unadjusted scores

## 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 <sup>§</sup>	National	This CCG <sup>§</sup>	National	This CCG <sup>§</sup>	National
Brain / CNS	n.a.	49%	n.a.	42%	n.a.	41%
Breast	60%	57%	65%	53%	*	40%
Colorectal / LGT	53%	60%	54%	61%	*	51%
Gynaecological	*	56%	*	50%	*	39%
Haematological	57%	60%	50%	51%	*	44%
Head and Neck	*	61%	*	52%	*	48%
Lung	*	57%	*	50%	*	43%
Prostate	*	56%	*	48%	*	43%
Sarcoma	n.a.	59%	n.a.	55%	n.a.	48%
Skin	*	65%	*	57%	*	59%
Upper Gastro	*	59%	*	55%	*	48%
Urological	*	58%	*	47%	*	43%
Other	*	54%	*	55%	*	48%
<b>All Cancers</b>	<b>53%</b>	<b>58%</b>	<b>51%</b>	<b>53%</b>	<b>38%</b>	<b>45%</b>

<sup>§</sup> 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 <sup>§</sup>	National	This CCG <sup>§</sup>	National
Brain / CNS	n.a.	89%	n.a.	51%
Breast	95%	96%	53%	62%
Colorectal / LGT	96%	95%	40%	62%
Gynaecological	*	95%	*	61%
Haematological	97%	96%	51%	59%
Head and Neck	*	94%	*	59%
Lung	*	95%	*	61%
Prostate	*	96%	*	67%
Sarcoma	n.a.	95%	n.a.	56%
Skin	*	96%	*	67%
Upper Gastro	*	94%	*	61%
Urological	*	95%	*	64%
Other	*	95%	*	59%
<b>All Cancers</b>	<b>96%</b>	<b>95%</b>	<b>50%</b>	<b>62%</b>

<sup>§</sup> These are unadjusted scores

## 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 <sup>§</sup>	National	This CCG <sup>§</sup>	National	This CCG <sup>§</sup>	National	This CCG <sup>§</sup>	National
Brain / CNS	n.a.	43%	n.a.	32%	n.a.	82%	n.a.	61%
Breast	59%	61%	52%	37%	83%	91%	57%	65%
Colorectal / LGT	47%	60%	40%	35%	81%	89%	69%	70%
Gynaecological	*	58%	*	30%	*	89%	*	66%
Haematological	47%	63%	24%	33%	89%	92%	68%	63%
Head and Neck	*	62%	*	36%	*	89%	*	69%
Lung	*	63%	*	33%	*	89%	*	71%
Prostate	*	65%	*	35%	*	88%	*	73%
Sarcoma	n.a.	56%	n.a.	28%	n.a.	87%	n.a.	61%
Skin	*	69%	*	39%	*	90%	*	76%
Upper Gastro	*	58%	*	34%	*	87%	*	66%
Urological	*	63%	*	27%	*	87%	*	75%
Other	45%	55%	*	29%	82%	88%	41%	61%
<b>All Cancers</b>	<b>52%</b>	<b>61%</b>	<b>36%</b>	<b>33%</b>	<b>83%</b>	<b>89%</b>	<b>64%</b>	<b>67%</b>

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 <sup>§</sup>	National	This CCG <sup>§</sup>	National
Brain / CNS	n.a.	24%	n.a.	8.3
Breast	19%	28%	8.5	8.8
Colorectal / LGT	14%	26%	8.3	8.7
Gynaecological	*	30%	*	8.7
Haematological	33%	34%	8.7	8.9
Head and Neck	*	19%	*	8.7
Lung	*	33%	*	8.7
Prostate	*	34%	*	8.7
Sarcoma	n.a.	33%	n.a.	8.6
Skin	*	18%	*	8.9
Upper Gastro	*	33%	*	8.6
Urological	*	15%	*	8.7
Other	27%	30%	8.0	8.6
<b>All Cancers</b>	<b>20%</b>	<b>29%</b>	<b>8.5</b>	<b>8.7</b>

<sup>§</sup> These are unadjusted scores

## 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](http://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](http://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](http://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](http://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](http://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%
05V	450	30	420	145	17	258	61%

## 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	1
Breast	58
Gynaecological	19
Colorectal / LGT	38
Lung	12
Skin	9
Haematological	48
Upper Gastro	9
Other	22
Urological	18
Prostate	16
Sarcoma	0
Head and Neck	8

\* 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	0	1	0	9	20	54	38	6	128
Female	0	2	5	22	30	40	28	3	130
Total	0	3	5	31	50	94	66	9	258



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