

# **National Cancer Patient Experience Survey**

## **2018 Results**

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The National Cancer Patient Experience Survey is  
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## Introduction

The National Cancer Patient Experience Survey 2018 is the eighth 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/reports/2018-reports](http://www.ncpes.co.uk/reports/2018-reports)

Further details on the survey methodology and changes to the 2018 survey can be found in the Annex towards the end of this report.

## 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 2017 to this question

**Column 2** shows the unadjusted 2017 score for this CCG

**Column 3** shows the number of respondents for 2018 to this question

**Column 4** shows the unadjusted 2018 score for this CCG

**Column 5** shows whether a score has significantly increased or decreased compared with the last survey (2017)

**Column 6** shows whether a score has significantly increased or decreased overall (2015, 2016, 2017 and 2018)

**Column 7** shows the case-mix adjusted 2018 score for this CCG

**Column 8** 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 9** 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 10** shows the national average score for this question.

### Data tables (continued)

The number of respondents and unadjusted scores in columns 1 to 4 in the data tables come from regression models used to perform comparisons between results in different years. For further details on these comparisons, please refer to the technical document at:

[www.ncpes.co.uk/reports/2018-reports/guidance-material-and-survey-materials-2018](http://www.ncpes.co.uk/reports/2018-reports/guidance-material-and-survey-materials-2018)

		Column 1	Column 2	Column 3	Column 4	Column 5	Column 6	Column 7	Column 8	Column 9	Column 10
Question		Unadjusted Scores						2018 Case Mix Adjusted			
		2017		2018		Change 2017-2018	Change Overall	2018 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	426	79%	545	77%			77%	74%	81%	77%
Q2	Patient thought they were seen as soon as necessary	584	86%	705	83%			84%	81%	86%	84%

Results for individual response options are presented in the detailed data tables available at:

[www.ncpes.co.uk/reports/2018-reports/local-reports-2018/data-tables-2018](http://www.ncpes.co.uk/reports/2018-reports/local-reports-2018/data-tables-2018)

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 towards the end of this report.

### Comparability charts

For the 2018 survey, we have adopted the CQC standard for reporting comparative performance, based on calculation of "expected ranges". CCGs whose score is above the upper limit of the expected range (below the lower limit of the expected range) are positive (negative) outliers, with a score statistically significantly higher (lower) than the national mean. They perform better (worse) than what CCGs of the same size are expected to perform.

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.

### Comparability charts (continued)

The same colour convention has been used in Column 7 of the data tables.

For further details on expected ranges, please refer to the technical document at:  
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### Tumour group tables

The final set of tables in this report show the scores for each question for each of the 13 tumour groups. The national score for that tumour group is also shown.

These breakdowns are intended as additional information for CCGs to understand the differences between the experiences of patients with different types of cancer. Scores for some tumour sites with small numbers (less than 21 respondents) are not presented as they have low precision. Scores in these tables should therefore be treated with some caution.

Scores are unadjusted mean scores. No measure of dispersion is presented. Scores for the same tumour and different CCGs may not be comparable, as they do not account for the impact that differing patient populations might have on results.

For further details on case-mix adjustment, please refer to the technical document at:  
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### Year on Year Charts

The Year on Year charts in this report show four columns representing the unadjusted scores<sup>1</sup> of the last four years (2015, 2016, 2017 & 2018) for each question. These charts have been designed to provide a visual comparison to better help the CCGs understand their performance and areas for improvement.

### Notes on specific questions

Questions used solely 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.

<sup>1</sup>The unadjusted scores in the columns come from regression models used to perform comparisons between results in different years. For further details on these comparisons, please refer to the technical document at:  
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### **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 are presented in the detailed data tables at:

[www.ncpes.co.uk/reports/2018-reports/local-reports-2018/data-tables-2018](http://www.ncpes.co.uk/reports/2018-reports/local-reports-2018/data-tables-2018)

These 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 towards the end of this report.

## Executive Summary

**8.7** The average rating given by respondents when asked to rate their care on a scale of zero (very poor) to 10 (very good)

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

**79%** 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

**82%** of respondents said that it had been 'quite easy' or 'very easy' to contact their Clinical Nurse Specialist

**85%** 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

**53%** 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.

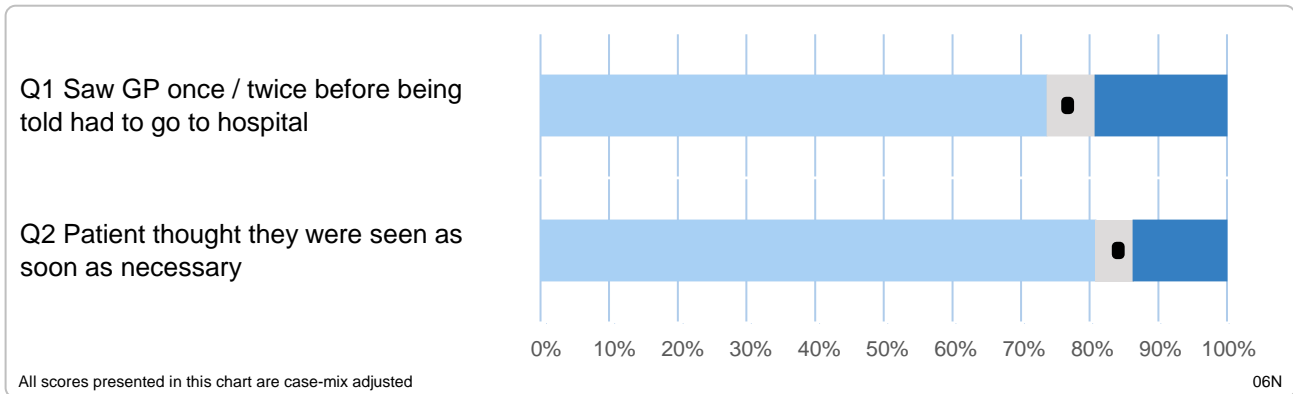
The questions were selected in discussion with the national Cancer Patient Experience Advisory Group and reflect four key patient experience domains: provision of information; involvement in decisions; care transition; interpersonal relations, respect and dignity. The figures presented above are all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

Questions which scored outside expected range

Question	Number of respondents for this CCG	2018 Case-mix Adjusted			National Average Score	
		2018 Score for this CCG	Lower limit of expected range	Upper limit of expected range		
<b>Deciding the best treatment for you</b>						
Q13	Possible side effects explained in an understandable way	688	70%	70%	76%	73%
<b>Hospital care as an inpatient</b>						
Q31	Patient had confidence and trust in all ward nurses	424	69%	71%	80%	75%
Q37	Always treated with respect and dignity by staff	423	85%	85%	92%	89%
<b>Home care and support</b>						
Q50	Patient definitely given enough support from health or social services during treatment	358	42%	45%	60%	53%
<b>Care from your general practice</b>						
Q53	Practice staff definitely did everything they could to support patient	474	53%	55%	64%	59%
<b>Your overall NHS care</b>						
Q54	Hospital and community staff always worked well together	695	57%	58%	65%	61%
Q55	Patient given a care plan	552	27%	30%	40%	35%
Q57	Length of time for attending clinics and appointments was right	710	59%	63%	75%	69%

## CCG results

### Seeing your GP



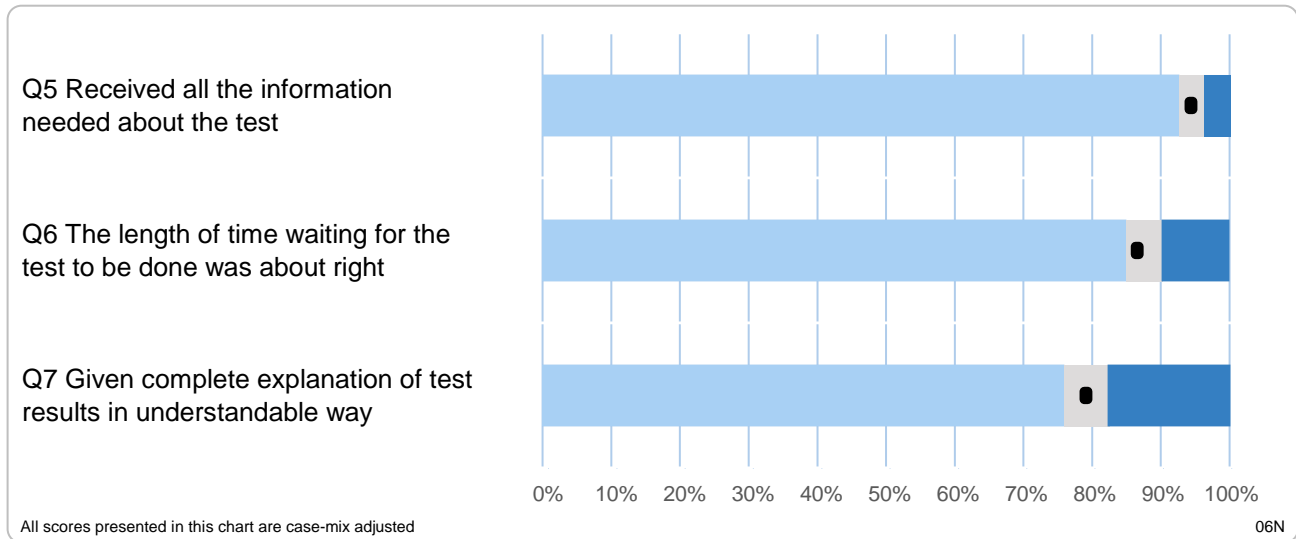
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## CCG results

### Diagnostic Tests

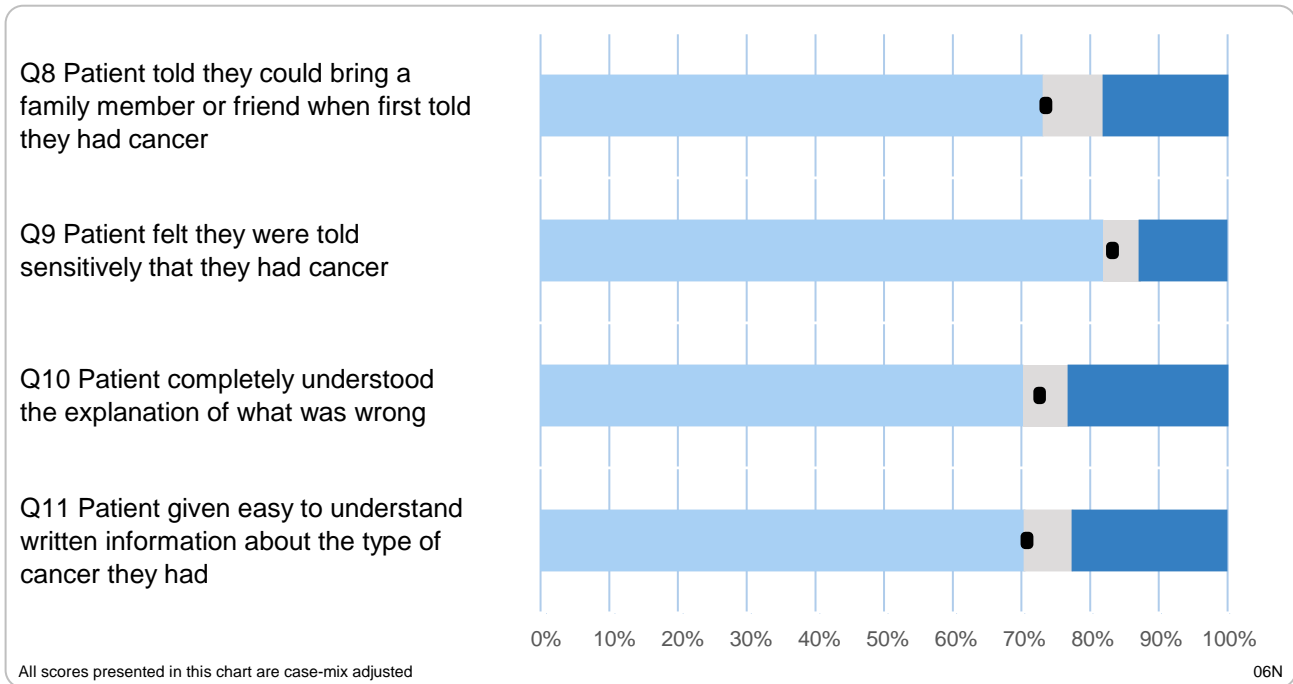


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	Number of respondents	Score	Number of respondents	Score							
Q5	Received all the information needed about the test	524	95%	607	94%			94%	93%	96%	94%
Q6	The length of time waiting for the test to be done was about right	523	90%	618	86%			86%	85%	90%	88%
Q7	Given complete explanation of test results in understandable way	522	80%	617	78%			79%	76%	82%	79%

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## CCG results

### Finding out what was wrong with you

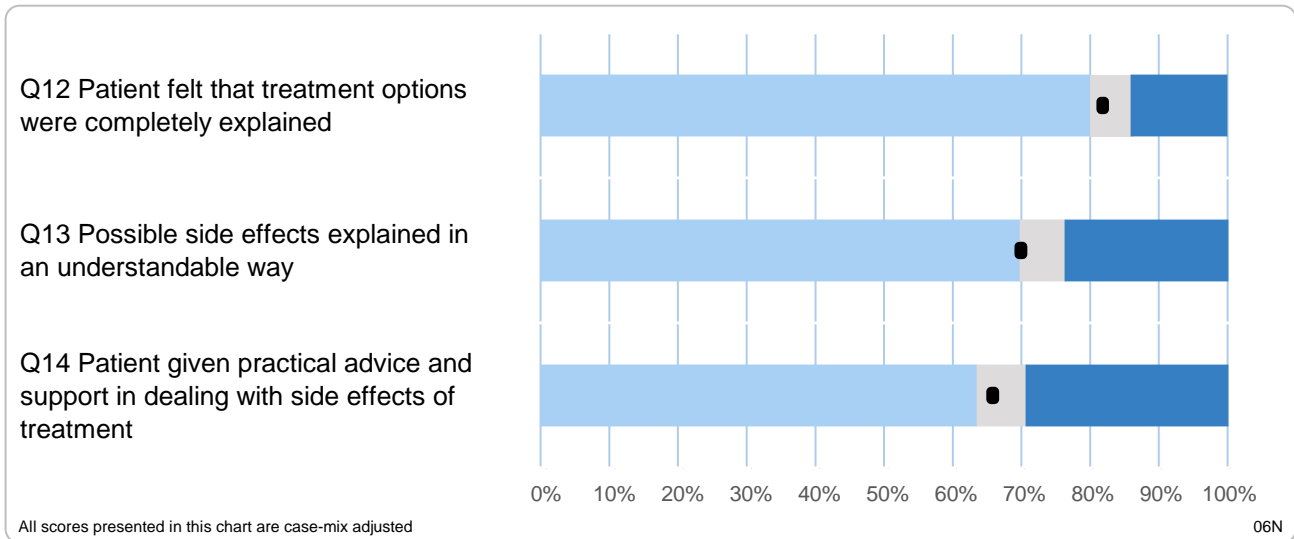


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Q8 Patient told they could bring a family member or friend when first told they had cancer	539	75%	638	72%			73%	73%	82%	78%
Q9 Patient felt they were told sensitively that they had cancer	586	84%	705	82%			83%	82%	87%	85%
Q10 Patient completely understood the explanation of what was wrong	595	74%	718	72%			72%	70%	77%	74%
Q11 Patient given easy to understand written information about the type of cancer they had	518	74%	611	70%			71%	71%	77%	74%

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## CCG results

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

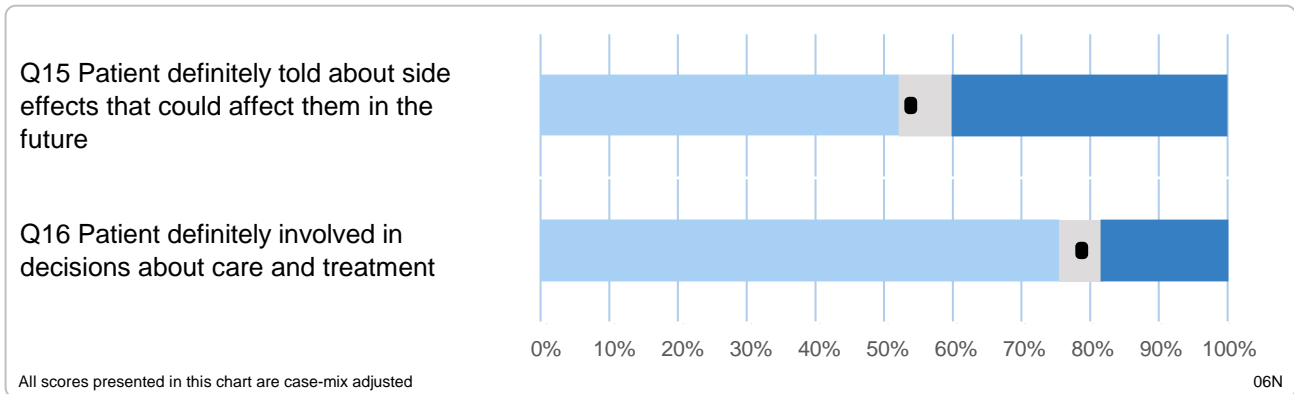


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Q12 Patient felt that treatment options were completely explained	511	85%	621	81%			82%	80%	86%	83%
Q13 Possible side effects explained in an understandable way	571	72%	688	69%			70%	70%	76%	73%
Q14 Patient given practical advice and support in dealing with side effects of treatment	578	69%	684	65%			66%	64%	71%	67%

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## CCG results

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



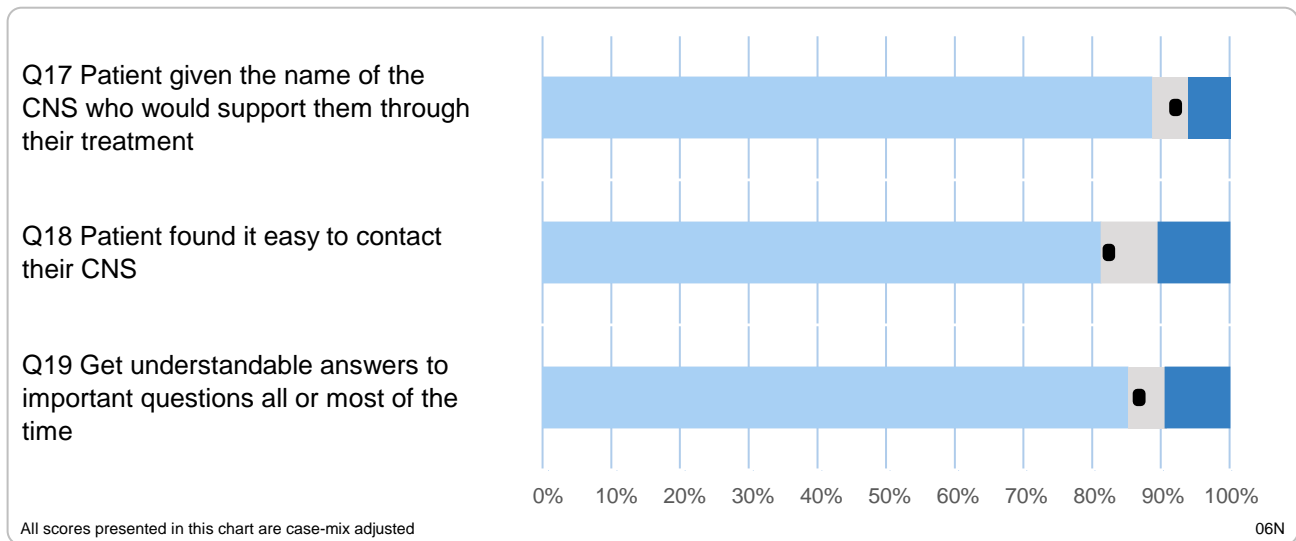
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	Number of respondents	Score	Number of respondents	Score						
Q15 Patient definitely told about side effects that could affect them in the future	548	54%	650	53%			54%	52%	60%	56%
Q16 Patient definitely involved in decisions about care and treatment	577	80%	703	78%			79%	76%	82%	79%

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## CCG results

### Clinical Nurse Specialist

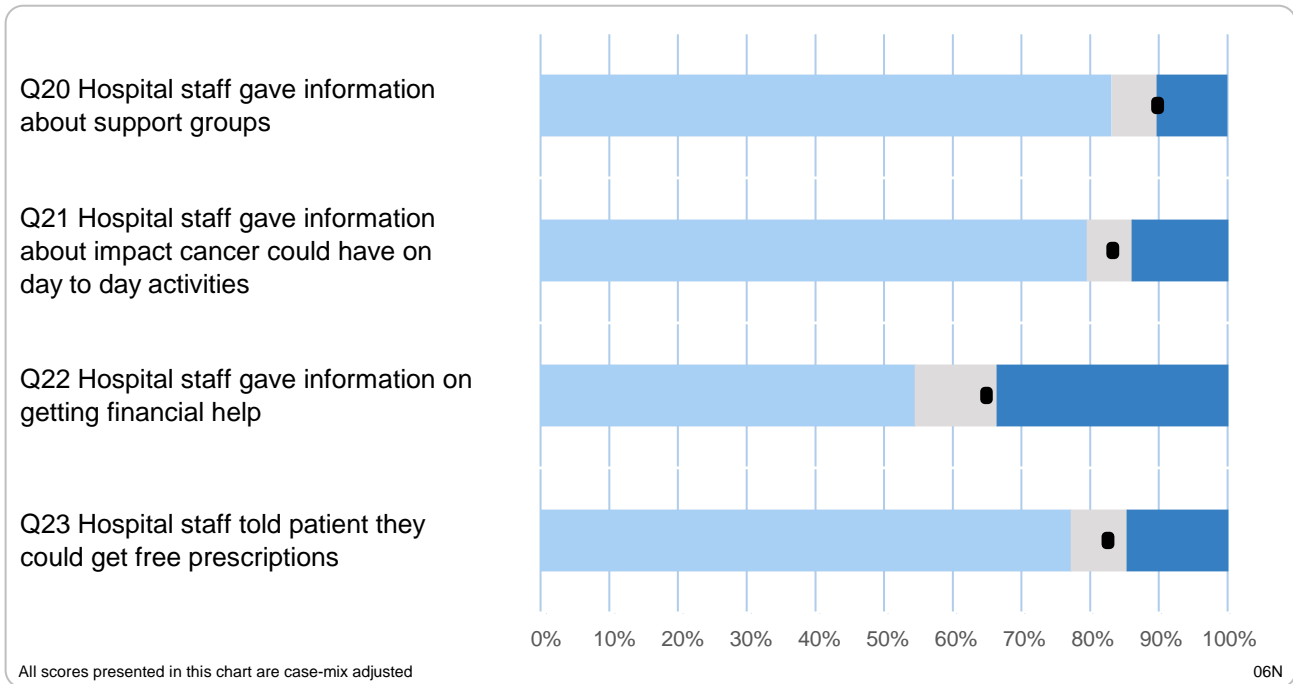


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Q17 Patient given the name of the CNS who would support them through their treatment	573	93%	709	92%			92%	89%	94%	91%
Q18 Patient found it easy to contact their CNS	485	83%	590	82%			82%	81%	90%	85%
Q19 Get understandable answers to important questions all or most of the time	459	89%	572	87%			87%	85%	91%	88%

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## CCG results

### Support for people with cancer

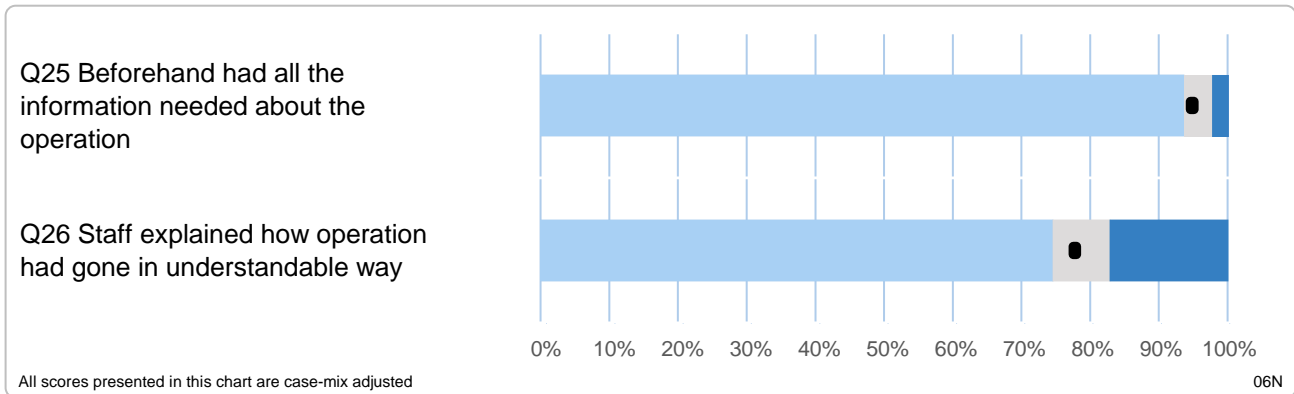


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Q20 Hospital staff gave information about support groups	450	88%	566	90%		↑	90%	83%	90%	86%
Q21 Hospital staff gave information about impact cancer could have on day to day activities	385	86%	493	83%			83%	80%	86%	83%
Q22 Hospital staff gave information on getting financial help	282	62%	367	65%			65%	55%	66%	60%
Q23 Hospital staff told patient they could get free prescriptions	278	88%	360	82%			82%	77%	85%	81%

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## CCG results

### Operations



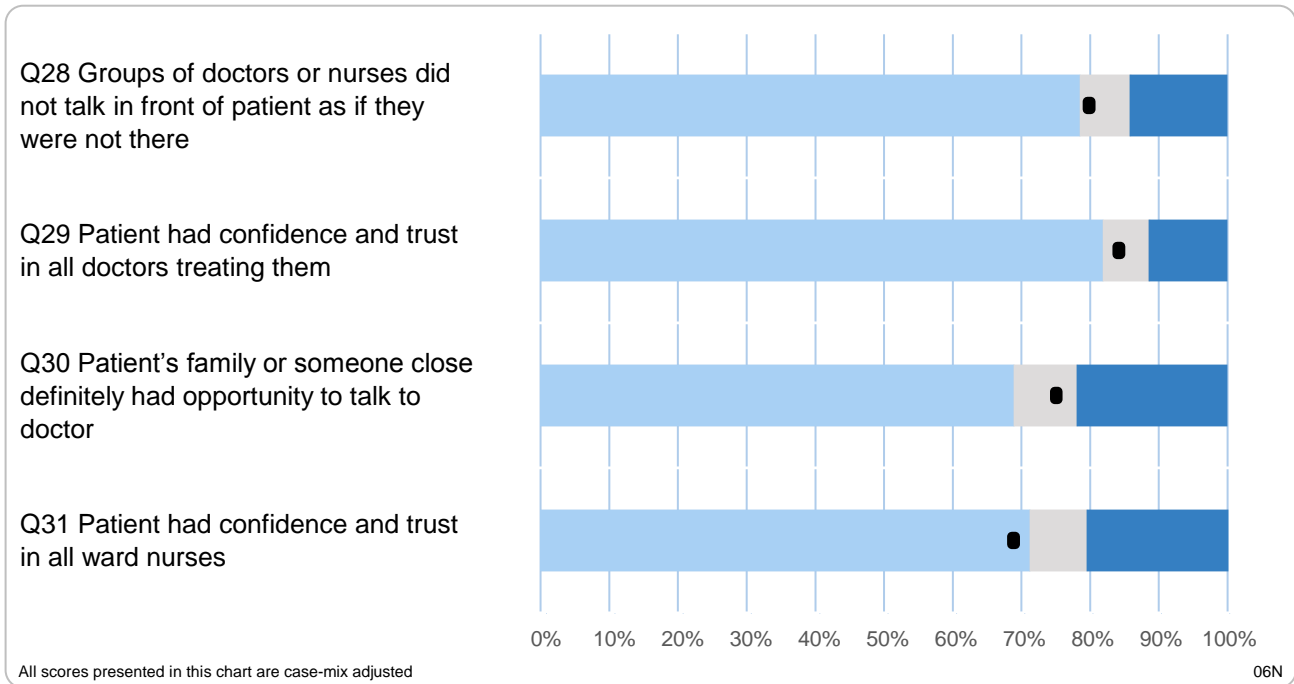
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Q25	Beforehand had all the information needed about the operation	355	97%	375	94%			95%	94%	98%	96%
Q26	Staff explained how operation had gone in understandable way	351	77%	377	77%			78%	75%	83%	79%

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## CCG results

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



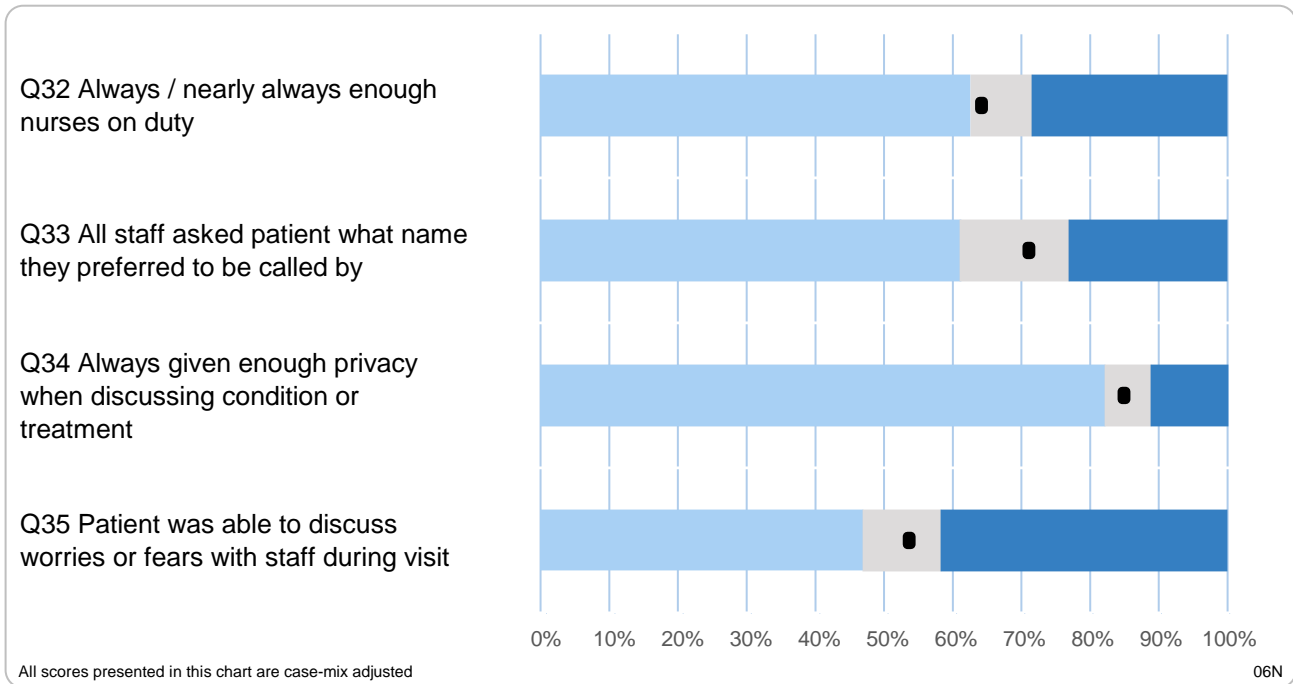
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Q28 Groups of doctors or nurses did not talk in front of patient as if they were not there	401	81%	419	81%			80%	79%	86%	82%
Q29 Patient had confidence and trust in all doctors treating them	404	87%	419	84%			84%	82%	89%	85%
Q30 Patient's family or someone close definitely had opportunity to talk to doctor	310	68%	349	74%			75%	69%	78%	74%
Q31 Patient had confidence and trust in all ward nurses	401	73%	424	67%			69%	71%	80%	75%

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## CCG results

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

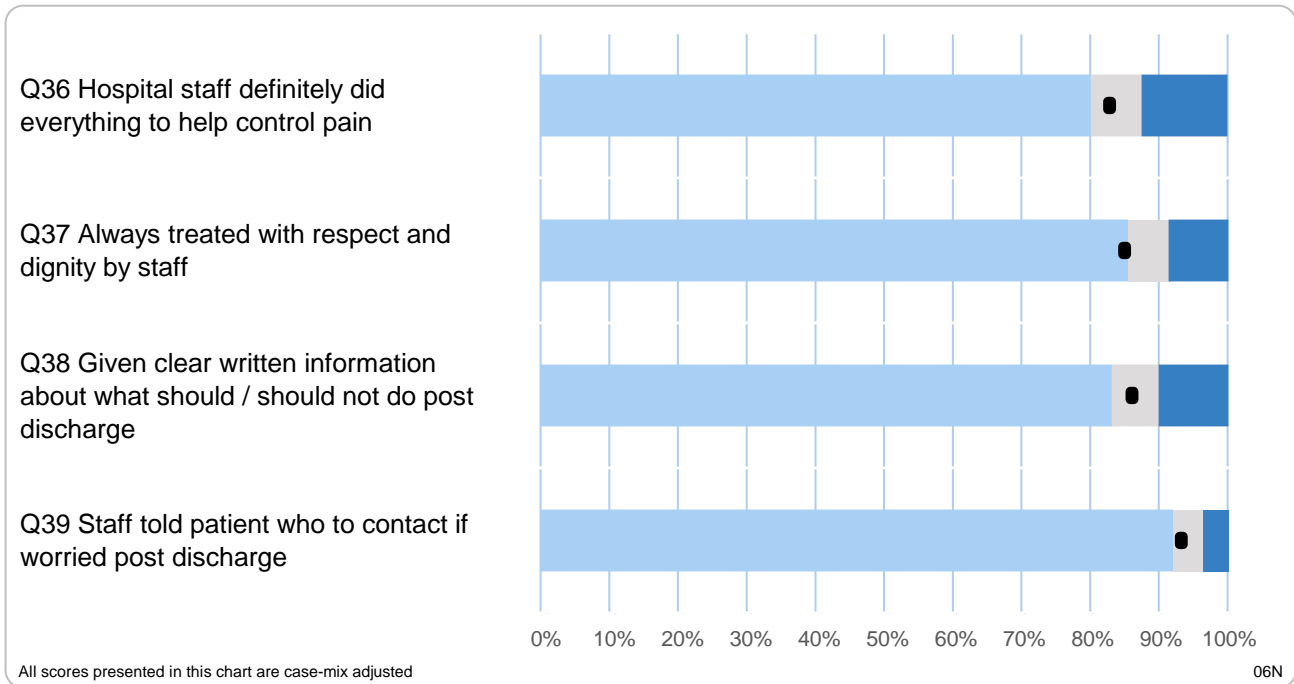


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Q32 Always / nearly always enough nurses on duty	399	70%	424	63%			64%	63%	72%	67%
Q33 All staff asked patient what name they preferred to be called by	399	65%	421	70%		↑	71%	61%	77%	69%
Q34 Always given enough privacy when discussing condition or treatment	399	87%	417	84%			85%	82%	89%	86%
Q35 Patient was able to discuss worries or fears with staff during visit	266	52%	297	52%			53%	47%	58%	53%

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## CCG results

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

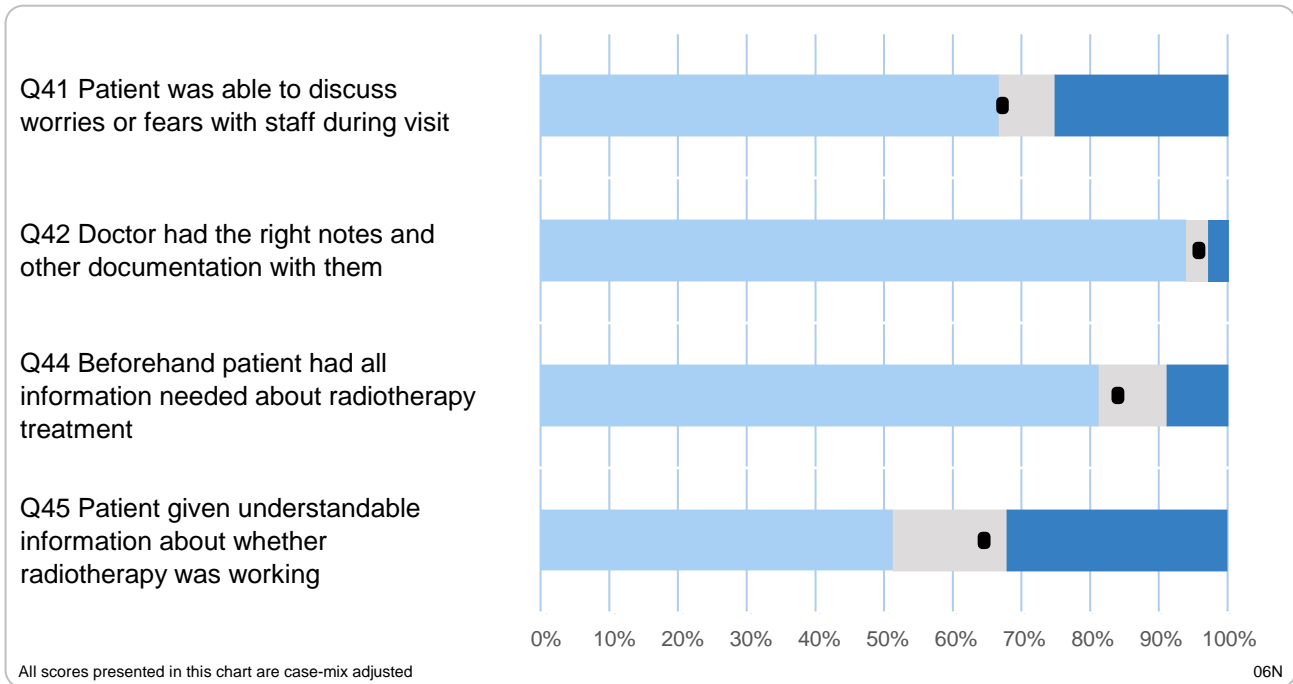


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	2017		2018		Change 2017-2018	Change Overall	2018 Score	Expected range - lower	Expected range - upper	National Average Score
	Number of respondents	Score	Number of respondents	Score						
Q36 Hospital staff definitely did everything to help control pain	352	83%	384	82%			83%	80%	88%	84%
Q37 Always treated with respect and dignity by staff	403	88%	423	84%			85%	85%	92%	89%
Q38 Given clear written information about what should / should not do post discharge	380	89%	397	85%			86%	83%	90%	87%
Q39 Staff told patient who to contact if worried post discharge	382	94%	405	93%			93%	92%	97%	94%

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## CCG results

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

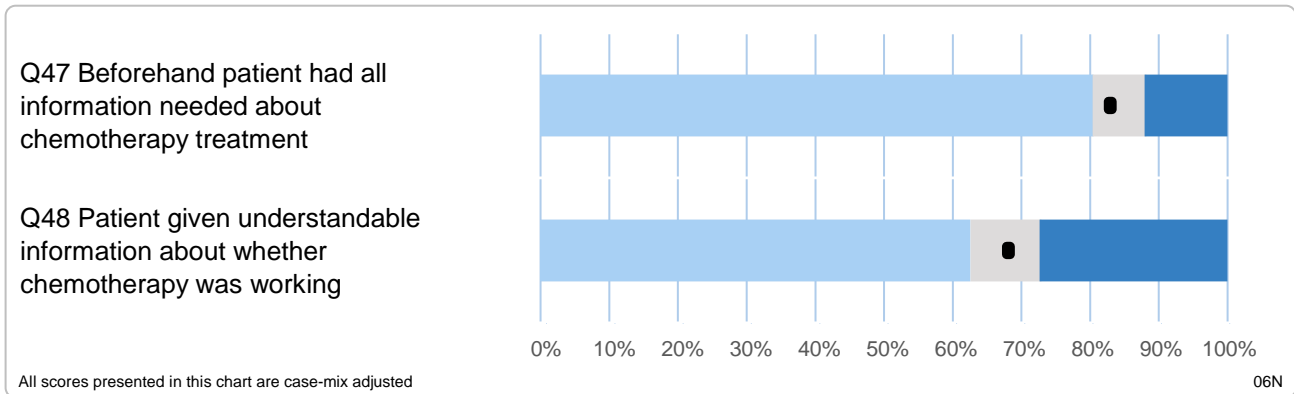


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Q41 Patient was able to discuss worries or fears with staff during visit	413	64%	511	66%			67%	67%	75%	71%
Q42 Doctor had the right notes and other documentation with them	498	96%	614	95%			96%	94%	97%	96%
Q44 Beforehand patient had all information needed about radiotherapy treatment	164	88%	183	84%			84%	81%	91%	86%
Q45 Patient given understandable information about whether radiotherapy was working	137	61%	134	63%			64%	51%	68%	60%

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



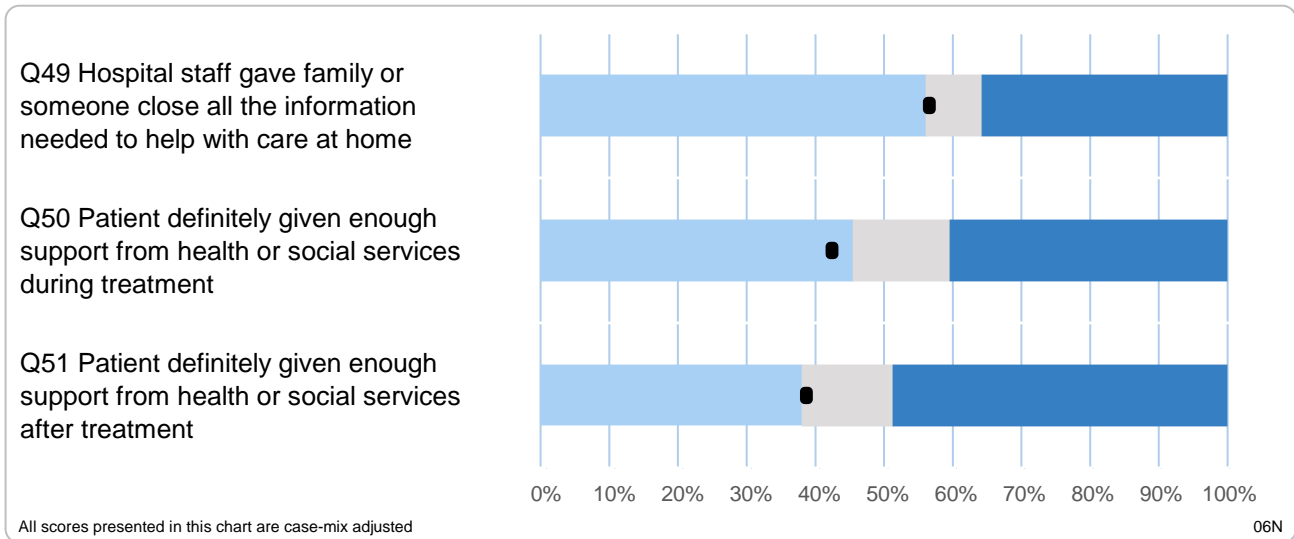
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Q47 Beforehand patient had all information needed about chemotherapy treatment	244	87%	356	82%			83%	81%	88%	84%
Q48 Patient given understandable information about whether chemotherapy was working	221	68%	323	67%			68%	63%	73%	68%

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## CCG results

### Home care and support

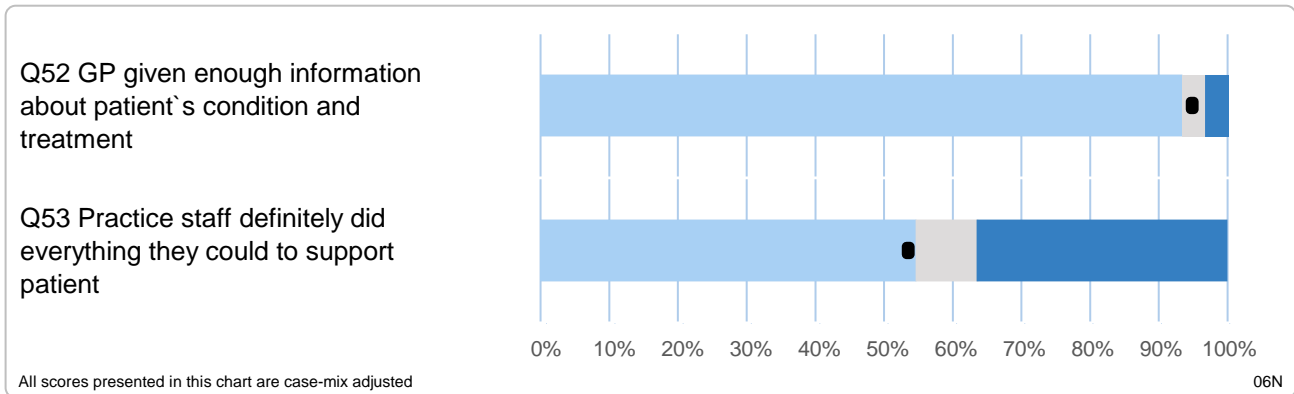


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Q49 Hospital staff gave family or someone close all the information needed to help with care at home	454	57%	556	56%			56%	56%	64%	60%
Q50 Patient definitely given enough support from health or social services during treatment	281	51%	358	42%		↓	42%	45%	60%	53%
Q51 Patient definitely given enough support from health or social services after treatment	170	42%	220	38%		↓	38%	38%	51%	45%

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## CCG results

### Care from your general practice



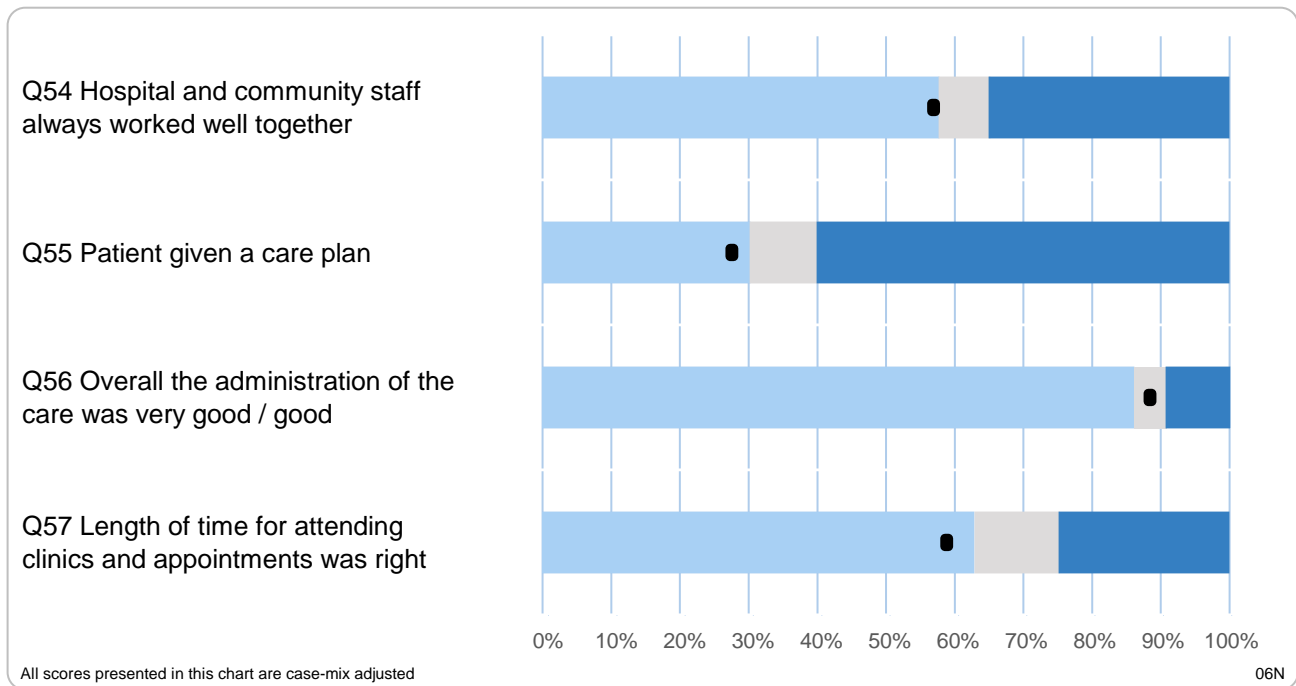
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Q52	GP given enough information about patient's condition and treatment	521	95%	638	95%			95%	93%	97%	95%
Q53	Practice staff definitely did everything they could to support patient	391	61%	474	53%		↓	53%	55%	64%	59%

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## CCG results

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

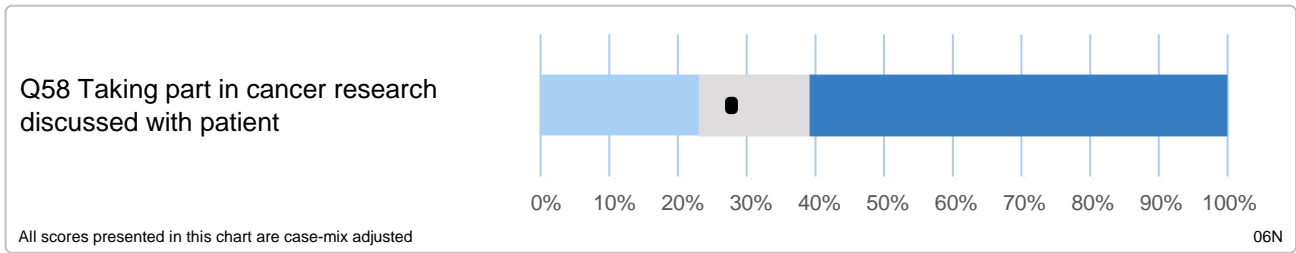


Question	Unadjusted Scores						2018 Case Mix Adjusted			
	2017		2018		Change 2017-2018	Change Overall	2018 Score	Expected range - lower	Expected range - upper	National Average Score
	Number of respondents	Score	Number of respondents	Score						
Q54 Hospital and community staff always worked well together	579	58%	695	55%			57%	58%	65%	61%
Q55 Patient given a care plan	468	35%	552	26%	↓		27%	30%	40%	35%
Q56 Overall the administration of the care was very good / good	593	89%	710	88%			88%	86%	91%	88%
Q57 Length of time for attending clinics and appointments was right	585	61%	710	57%			59%	63%	75%	69%

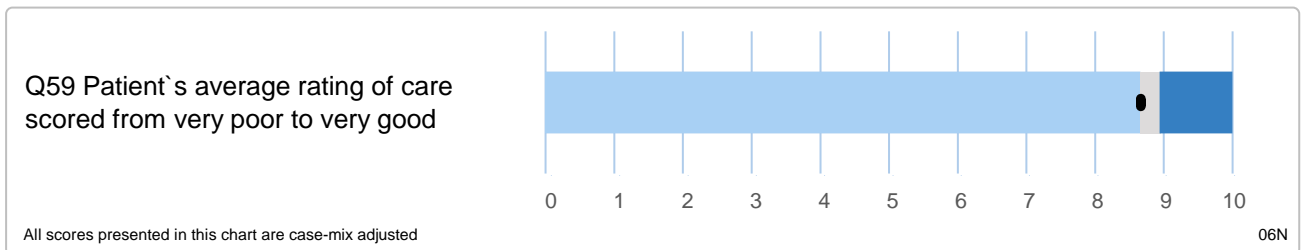
↑ or ↓ Change 2017-2018: Indicates where 2018 score is significantly higher or lower than 2017 score  
 Change Overall: Indicates significant change overall (2015, 2016, 2017, and 2018)  
 (NB: No arrow reflects no statistically significant change)  
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## CCG results

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



Question	Unadjusted Scores						2018 Case Mix Adjusted			
	2017		2018		Change 2017-2018	Change Overall	2018 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	558	28%	673	28%		↑	28%	23%	39%	31%



Question	Unadjusted Scores						2018 Case Mix Adjusted			
	2017		2018		Change 2017-2018	Change Overall	2018 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	583	8.8	707	8.6			8.7	8.7	8.9	8.8

↑ or ↓ Change 2017-2018: Indicates where 2018 score is significantly higher or lower than 2017 score  
Change Overall: Indicates significant change overall (2015, 2016, 2017, and 2018)  
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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

	Q1. Saw GP once / twice before being told had to go to hospital		Q2. Patient thought they were seen as soon as necessary	
Cancer type	This CCG <sup>§</sup>	National	This CCG <sup>§</sup>	National
Brain / CNS	*	58%	*	73%
Breast	89%	94%	86%	90%
Colorectal / LGT	78%	72%	84%	83%
Gynaecological	64%	75%	80%	79%
Haematological	76%	64%	88%	81%
Head and Neck	*	79%	*	80%
Lung	57%	71%	67%	82%
Prostate	84%	81%	83%	85%
Sarcoma	*	66%	*	71%
Skin	*	90%	*	86%
Upper Gastro	68%	72%	87%	78%
Urological	73%	81%	79%	85%
Other	75%	73%	83%	79%
<b>All Cancers</b>	<b>77%</b>	<b>77%</b>	<b>83%</b>	<b>84%</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	*	92%	*	83%	*	71%
Breast	96%	95%	89%	91%	78%	82%
Colorectal / LGT	97%	96%	88%	87%	81%	81%
Gynaecological	89%	94%	92%	85%	74%	77%
Haematological	95%	95%	87%	88%	72%	77%
Head and Neck	*	92%	*	85%	*	80%
Lung	86%	94%	83%	87%	80%	79%
Prostate	93%	94%	83%	86%	81%	79%
Sarcoma	*	94%	*	79%	*	74%
Skin	*	96%	*	90%	*	83%
Upper Gastro	97%	94%	94%	83%	77%	75%
Urological	89%	94%	71%	87%	81%	79%
Other	95%	95%	80%	86%	77%	76%
<b>All Cancers</b>	<b>94%</b>	<b>94%</b>	<b>86%</b>	<b>88%</b>	<b>78%</b>	<b>79%</b>

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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 <sup>§</sup>	National	This CCG <sup>§</sup>	National	This CCG <sup>§</sup>	National	This CCG <sup>§</sup>	National
Brain / CNS	*	85%	*	77%	*	59%	*	63%
Breast	81%	82%	87%	89%	75%	77%	76%	78%
Colorectal / LGT	75%	82%	89%	86%	85%	79%	76%	73%
Gynaecological	58%	72%	67%	82%	58%	73%	47%	70%
Haematological	70%	73%	83%	83%	61%	61%	74%	76%
Head and Neck	*	72%	*	86%	*	76%	*	67%
Lung	66%	79%	72%	82%	76%	76%	65%	67%
Prostate	75%	78%	85%	85%	76%	78%	73%	82%
Sarcoma	*	70%	*	79%	*	61%	*	57%
Skin	*	71%	*	90%	*	80%	*	84%
Upper Gastro	79%	79%	73%	80%	82%	73%	64%	66%
Urological	48%	74%	77%	82%	76%	77%	63%	73%
Other	75%	76%	81%	82%	68%	70%	66%	65%
<b>All Cancers</b>	<b>72%</b>	<b>78%</b>	<b>82%</b>	<b>85%</b>	<b>72%</b>	<b>74%</b>	<b>70%</b>	<b>74%</b>

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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 <sup>§</sup>	National	This CCG <sup>§</sup>	National	This CCG <sup>§</sup>	National
Brain / CNS	*	81%	*	70%	*	64%
Breast	84%	84%	73%	75%	69%	69%
Colorectal / LGT	85%	85%	81%	76%	72%	70%
Gynaecological	76%	85%	62%	75%	60%	67%
Haematological	76%	81%	69%	70%	67%	66%
Head and Neck	*	85%	*	74%	*	70%
Lung	88%	84%	72%	74%	57%	69%
Prostate	81%	82%	65%	72%	59%	65%
Sarcoma	*	79%	*	72%	*	62%
Skin	*	89%	*	80%	*	74%
Upper Gastro	86%	81%	69%	72%	74%	68%
Urological	74%	82%	53%	71%	48%	62%
Other	79%	80%	66%	72%	58%	64%
<b>All Cancers</b>	<b>81%</b>	<b>83%</b>	<b>69%</b>	<b>73%</b>	<b>65%</b>	<b>67%</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	*	61%	*	70%
Breast	54%	56%	81%	79%
Colorectal / LGT	58%	58%	74%	80%
Gynaecological	43%	55%	69%	79%
Haematological	49%	51%	80%	77%
Head and Neck	*	62%	*	79%
Lung	60%	56%	78%	79%
Prostate	56%	64%	85%	81%
Sarcoma	*	52%	*	75%
Skin	*	66%	*	87%
Upper Gastro	54%	54%	82%	76%
Urological	39%	53%	71%	77%
Other	57%	53%	74%	76%
<b>All Cancers</b>	<b>53%</b>	<b>56%</b>	<b>78%</b>	<b>79%</b>

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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 <sup>§</sup>	National	This CCG <sup>§</sup>	National	This CCG <sup>§</sup>	National
Brain / CNS	*	94%	*	82%	*	84%
Breast	95%	95%	78%	85%	89%	88%
Colorectal / LGT	87%	92%	91%	88%	94%	89%
Gynaecological	88%	94%	88%	85%	88%	88%
Haematological	91%	92%	85%	88%	83%	89%
Head and Neck	*	90%	*	87%	*	88%
Lung	100%	93%	97%	87%	90%	88%
Prostate	91%	90%	72%	82%	79%	87%
Sarcoma	*	87%	*	84%	*	87%
Skin	*	91%	*	89%	*	91%
Upper Gastro	89%	93%	80%	85%	86%	87%
Urological	88%	84%	71%	82%	83%	87%
Other	96%	88%	74%	85%	83%	87%
<b>All Cancers</b>	<b>92%</b>	<b>91%</b>	<b>82%</b>	<b>85%</b>	<b>87%</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	*	85%	*	82%	*	70%	*	79%
Breast	94%	91%	89%	86%	71%	65%	83%	82%
Colorectal / LGT	95%	86%	84%	84%	64%	58%	86%	83%
Gynaecological	87%	85%	75%	82%	*	61%	*	77%
Haematological	86%	86%	81%	84%	65%	62%	89%	87%
Head and Neck	*	86%	*	83%	*	60%	*	82%
Lung	96%	86%	83%	81%	91%	71%	*	85%
Prostate	98%	89%	91%	85%	67%	51%	100%	79%
Sarcoma	*	79%	*	71%	*	56%	*	75%
Skin	*	89%	*	84%	*	60%	*	72%
Upper Gastro	86%	84%	86%	81%	*	63%	*	84%
Urological	78%	79%	61%	75%	52%	44%	*	68%
Other	80%	82%	78%	78%	46%	58%	72%	80%
<b>All Cancers</b>	<b>90%</b>	<b>86%</b>	<b>83%</b>	<b>83%</b>	<b>65%</b>	<b>60%</b>	<b>82%</b>	<b>81%</b>

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

## Operations

	Q25. Beforehand had all the information needed about the operation		Q26. Staff explained how operation had gone in understandable way	
Cancer type	This CCG <sup>§</sup>	National	This CCG <sup>§</sup>	National
Brain / CNS	*	94%	*	70%
Breast	95%	96%	75%	79%
Colorectal / LGT	98%	96%	89%	83%
Gynaecological	81%	96%	56%	81%
Haematological	*	94%	*	77%
Head and Neck	*	95%	*	78%
Lung	*	95%	*	78%
Prostate	96%	95%	79%	75%
Sarcoma	*	94%	*	78%
Skin	*	97%	*	84%
Upper Gastro	*	95%	*	80%
Urological	92%	95%	69%	76%
Other	97%	95%	76%	78%
<b>All Cancers</b>	<b>94%</b>	<b>96%</b>	<b>77%</b>	<b>79%</b>

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Hospital care as an inpatient (Part 1 of 2)

Cancer type	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	
	This CCG <sup>§</sup>	National	This CCG <sup>§</sup>	National	This CCG <sup>§</sup>	National	This CCG <sup>§</sup>	National
Brain / CNS	*	73%	*	77%	*	66%	*	67%
Breast	88%	89%	83%	86%	79%	77%	64%	77%
Colorectal / LGT	69%	77%	88%	86%	79%	73%	65%	71%
Gynaecological	90%	85%	90%	86%	46%	72%	50%	73%
Haematological	80%	81%	78%	81%	85%	74%	71%	76%
Head and Neck	*	79%	*	86%	*	75%	*	74%
Lung	*	77%	*	83%	*	74%	*	76%
Prostate	94%	86%	86%	89%	82%	73%	74%	80%
Sarcoma	*	80%	*	84%	*	72%	*	68%
Skin	*	89%	*	90%	*	81%	*	87%
Upper Gastro	71%	74%	79%	82%	73%	73%	64%	71%
Urological	85%	80%	79%	87%	55%	70%	77%	78%
Other	75%	80%	75%	82%	74%	71%	62%	72%
<b>All Cancers</b>	81%	82%	84%	85%	74%	74%	67%	75%

Cancer type	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	
	This CCG <sup>§</sup>	National	This CCG <sup>§</sup>	National	This CCG <sup>§</sup>	National	This CCG <sup>§</sup>	National
Brain / CNS	*	57%	*	68%	*	77%	*	40%
Breast	67%	71%	67%	64%	85%	87%	51%	56%
Colorectal / LGT	52%	62%	66%	71%	84%	85%	60%	54%
Gynaecological	53%	67%	68%	67%	84%	84%	41%	51%
Haematological	59%	64%	78%	71%	90%	86%	56%	55%
Head and Neck	*	66%	*	69%	*	87%	*	55%
Lung	*	70%	*	74%	*	85%	*	52%
Prostate	82%	73%	59%	69%	94%	88%	46%	51%
Sarcoma	*	64%	*	66%	*	85%	*	46%
Skin	*	80%	*	72%	*	91%	*	59%
Upper Gastro	68%	61%	84%	75%	88%	84%	*	51%
Urological	65%	69%	70%	73%	83%	85%	52%	47%
Other	51%	62%	63%	68%	77%	82%	36%	48%
<b>All Cancers</b>	63%	67%	70%	69%	84%	86%	52%	53%

<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	*	82%	*	84%	*	86%	*	94%
Breast	82%	86%	84%	89%	93%	92%	98%	96%
Colorectal / LGT	89%	85%	88%	87%	86%	84%	93%	94%
Gynaecological	73%	83%	72%	87%	72%	88%	86%	95%
Haematological	86%	83%	88%	90%	89%	81%	98%	95%
Head and Neck	*	83%	*	87%	*	88%	*	93%
Lung	*	84%	*	89%	*	84%	*	92%
Prostate	76%	84%	94%	91%	93%	90%	97%	95%
Sarcoma	*	80%	*	85%	*	81%	*	94%
Skin	*	88%	*	93%	*	91%	*	96%
Upper Gastro	84%	82%	80%	86%	81%	82%	92%	94%
Urological	74%	81%	83%	89%	73%	86%	84%	91%
Other	80%	81%	78%	87%	81%	83%	92%	92%
<b>All Cancers</b>	<b>82%</b>	<b>84%</b>	<b>84%</b>	<b>89%</b>	<b>85%</b>	<b>87%</b>	<b>93%</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	*	64%	*	94%	*	88%	*	47%
Breast	70%	70%	92%	96%	92%	88%	72%	61%
Colorectal / LGT	63%	73%	98%	96%	*	84%	*	57%
Gynaecological	45%	71%	100%	96%	*	86%	*	61%
Haematological	64%	74%	95%	96%	*	83%	*	59%
Head and Neck	*	73%	*	96%	*	86%	*	61%
Lung	65%	69%	100%	95%	*	85%	*	56%
Prostate	69%	73%	95%	95%	86%	87%	*	61%
Sarcoma	*	63%	*	94%	*	82%	*	65%
Skin	*	74%	*	97%	*	85%	*	72%
Upper Gastro	80%	70%	97%	95%	*	82%	*	53%
Urological	69%	67%	94%	95%	*	82%	*	55%
Other	59%	68%	95%	95%	*	85%	*	60%
<b>All Cancers</b>	<b>66%</b>	<b>71%</b>	<b>95%</b>	<b>96%</b>	<b>84%</b>	<b>86%</b>	<b>63%</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	*	79%	*	50%
Breast	84%	83%	60%	64%
Colorectal / LGT	83%	85%	65%	64%
Gynaecological	75%	86%	68%	68%
Haematological	83%	85%	70%	75%
Head and Neck	*	79%	*	54%
Lung	*	84%	*	67%
Prostate	80%	85%	50%	68%
Sarcoma	*	83%	*	67%
Skin	*	86%	*	79%
Upper Gastro	*	84%	*	61%
Urological	*	82%	*	65%
Other	77%	85%	*	70%
<b>All Cancers</b>	<b>82%</b>	<b>84%</b>	<b>67%</b>	<b>68%</b>

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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 <sup>§</sup>	National	This CCG <sup>§</sup>	National	This CCG <sup>§</sup>	National
Brain / CNS	*	60%	*	50%	*	48%
Breast	55%	59%	46%	54%	40%	42%
Colorectal / LGT	59%	63%	41%	60%	48%	52%
Gynaecological	40%	59%	30%	47%	*	38%
Haematological	61%	63%	40%	52%	39%	44%
Head and Neck	*	63%	*	56%	*	53%
Lung	56%	60%	*	52%	*	43%
Prostate	58%	60%	30%	46%	*	40%
Sarcoma	*	55%	*	49%	*	45%
Skin	*	67%	*	60%	*	59%
Upper Gastro	63%	60%	64%	53%	*	48%
Urological	51%	59%	33%	47%	*	44%
Other	43%	56%	35%	52%	*	44%
<b>All Cancers</b>	<b>56%</b>	<b>60%</b>	<b>42%</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	*	88%	*	51%
Breast	94%	96%	51%	59%
Colorectal / LGT	95%	95%	48%	58%
Gynaecological	94%	95%	48%	57%
Haematological	96%	95%	61%	58%
Head and Neck	*	93%	*	58%
Lung	89%	94%	52%	58%
Prostate	93%	95%	60%	64%
Sarcoma	*	95%	*	53%
Skin	*	97%	*	67%
Upper Gastro	97%	94%	61%	58%
Urological	98%	95%	47%	61%
Other	95%	94%	50%	56%
<b>All Cancers</b>	<b>95%</b>	<b>95%</b>	<b>53%</b>	<b>59%</b>

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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 <sup>§</sup>	National	This CCG <sup>§</sup>	National	This CCG <sup>§</sup>	National	This CCG <sup>§</sup>	National
Brain / CNS	*	45%	*	33%	*	84%	*	59%
Breast	58%	61%	32%	39%	92%	90%	50%	68%
Colorectal / LGT	53%	61%	32%	38%	92%	88%	67%	72%
Gynaecological	43%	58%	25%	31%	86%	87%	50%	69%
Haematological	59%	64%	29%	35%	88%	91%	54%	66%
Head and Neck	*	61%	*	37%	*	88%	*	71%
Lung	55%	62%	30%	31%	91%	89%	55%	71%
Prostate	55%	65%	21%	36%	83%	87%	76%	75%
Sarcoma	*	54%	*	28%	*	86%	*	64%
Skin	*	71%	*	42%	*	91%	*	73%
Upper Gastro	65%	59%	21%	35%	85%	86%	58%	68%
Urological	54%	62%	19%	30%	75%	85%	59%	75%
Other	49%	57%	16%	30%	87%	87%	49%	63%
<b>All Cancers</b>	55%	61%	26%	35%	88%	88%	57%	69%

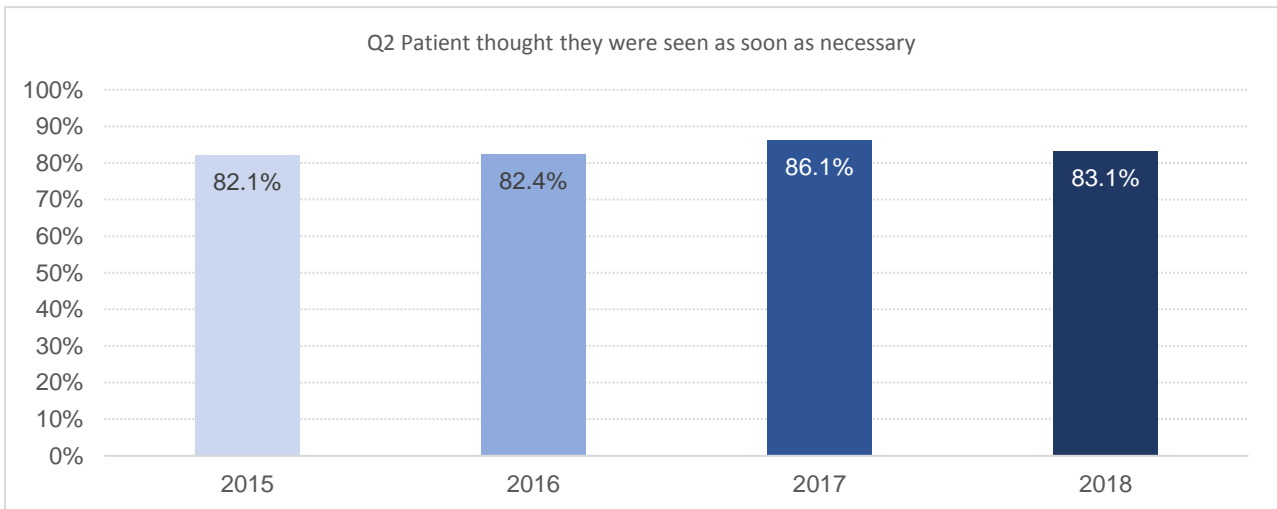
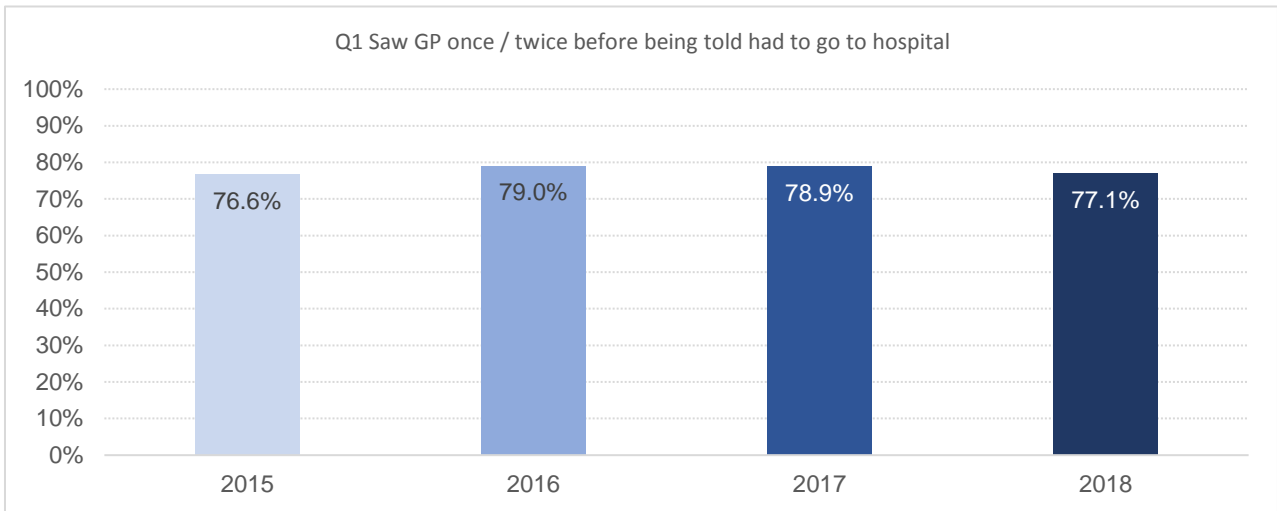
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	This CCG <sup>§</sup>	National	This CCG <sup>§</sup>	National
Brain / CNS	*	39%	*	8.4
Breast	31%	31%	8.7	8.9
Colorectal / LGT	25%	33%	8.7	8.8
Gynaecological	43%	37%	8.5	8.8
Haematological	20%	32%	8.8	8.9
Head and Neck	*	23%	*	8.8
Lung	35%	35%	8.6	8.8
Prostate	38%	33%	8.8	8.8
Sarcoma	*	40%	*	8.6
Skin	*	16%	*	9.0
Upper Gastro	25%	35%	8.8	8.7
Urological	11%	21%	8.2	8.7
Other	31%	32%	8.4	8.7
<b>All Cancers</b>	28%	31%	8.6	8.8

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

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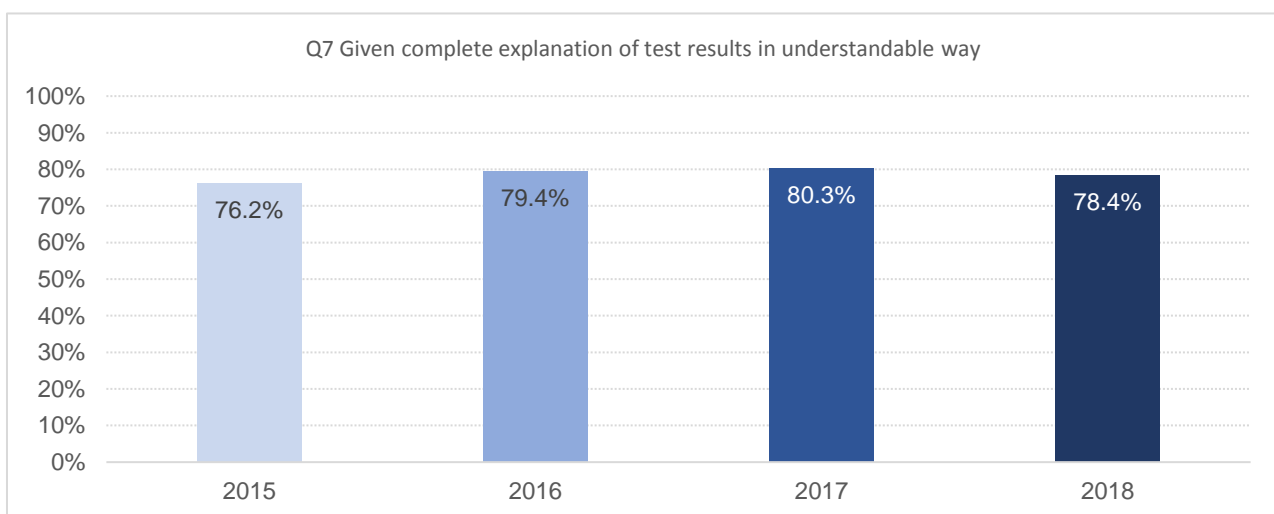
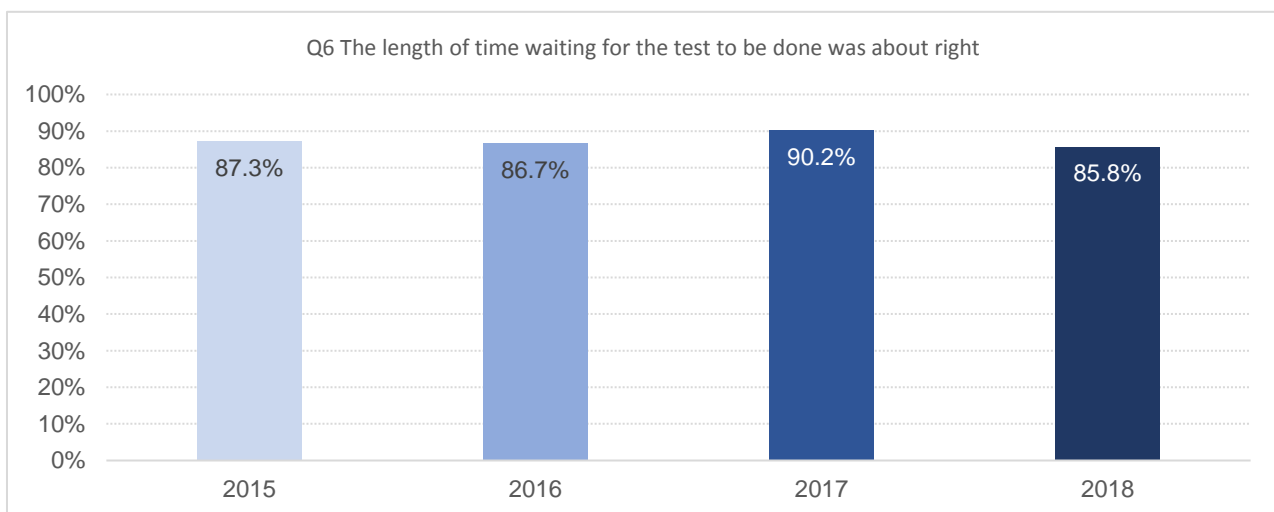
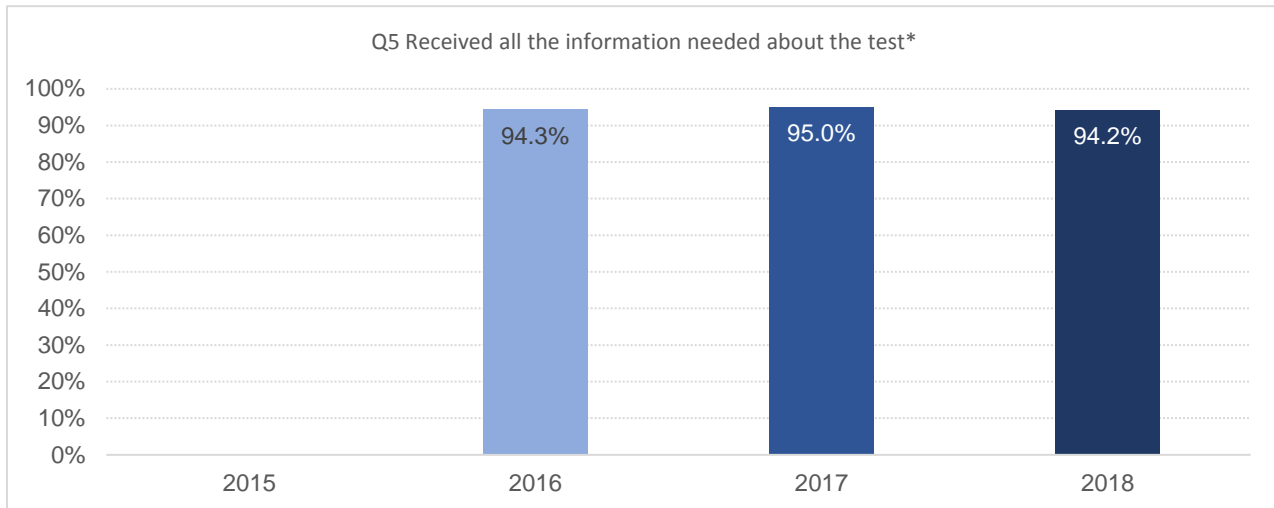
The charts below present the unadjusted scores for this Trust from 2015, 2016, 2017 and 2018.

#### Seeing your GP



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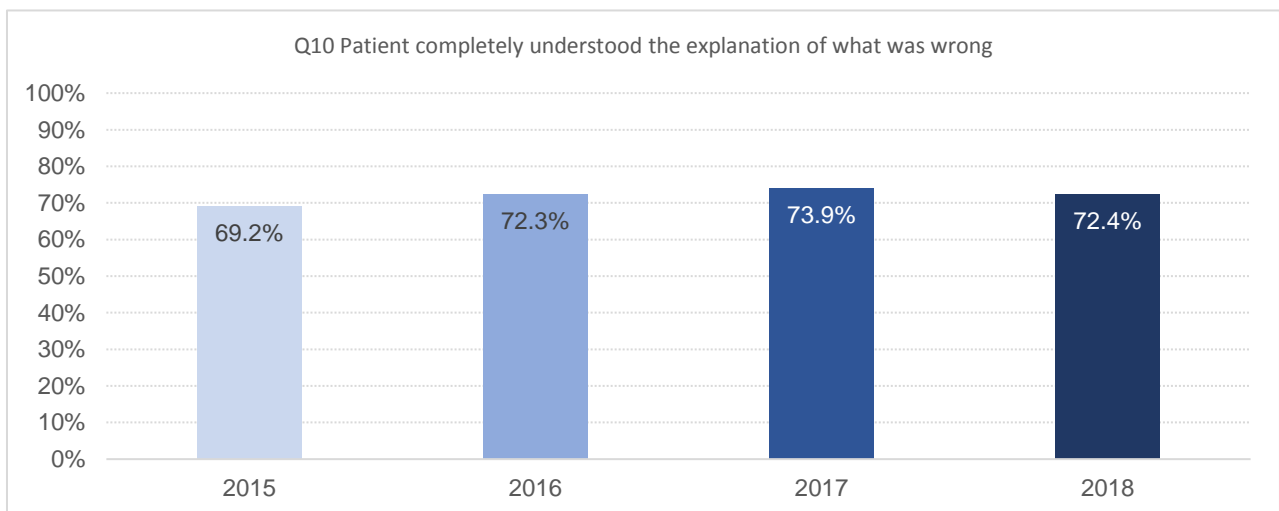
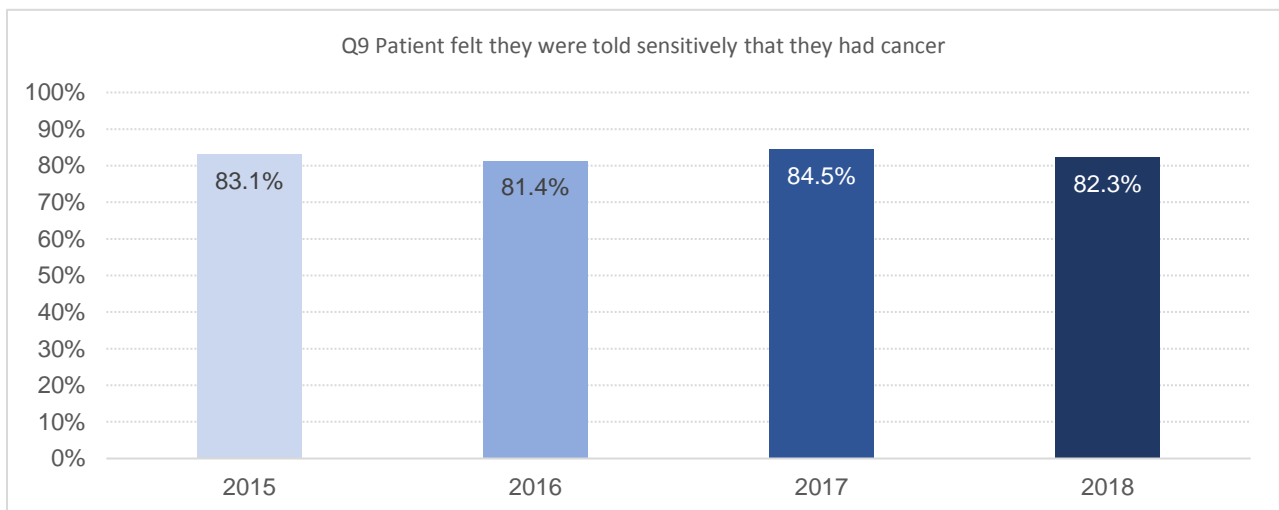
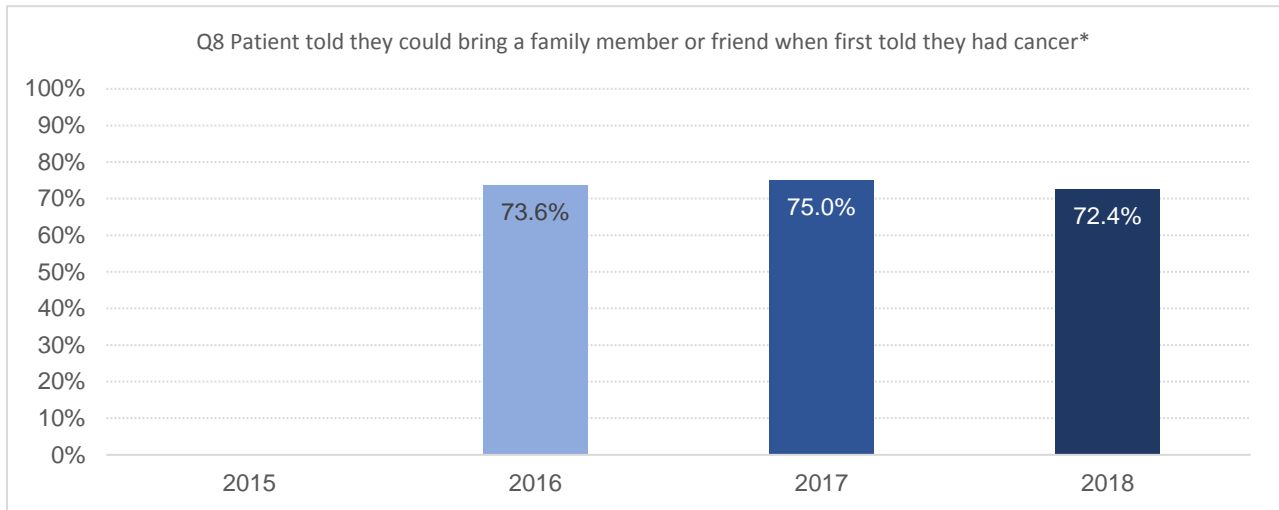
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Finding out what was wrong with you

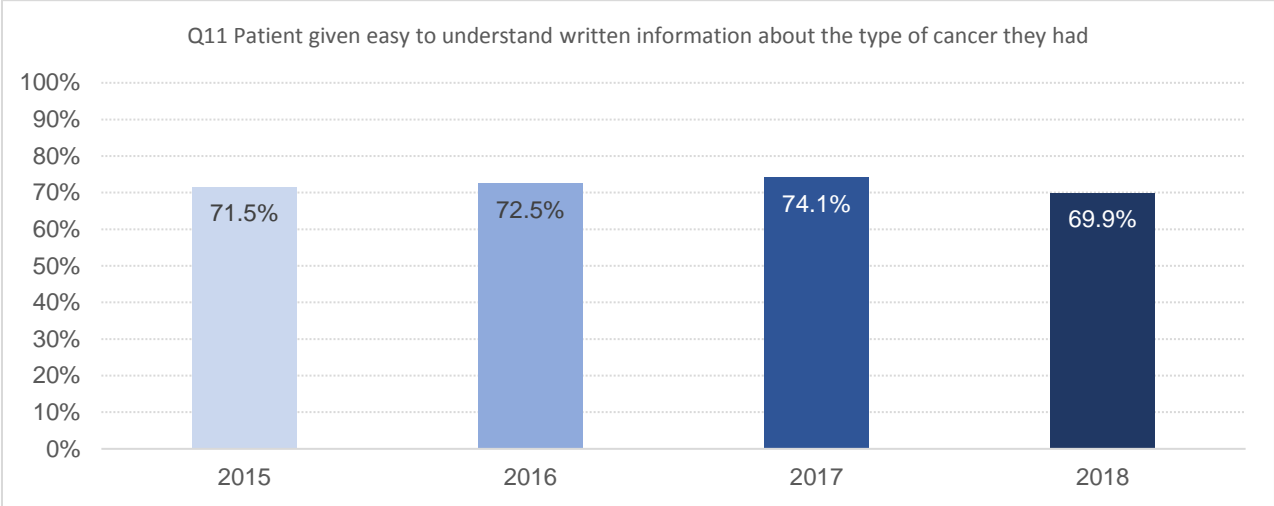


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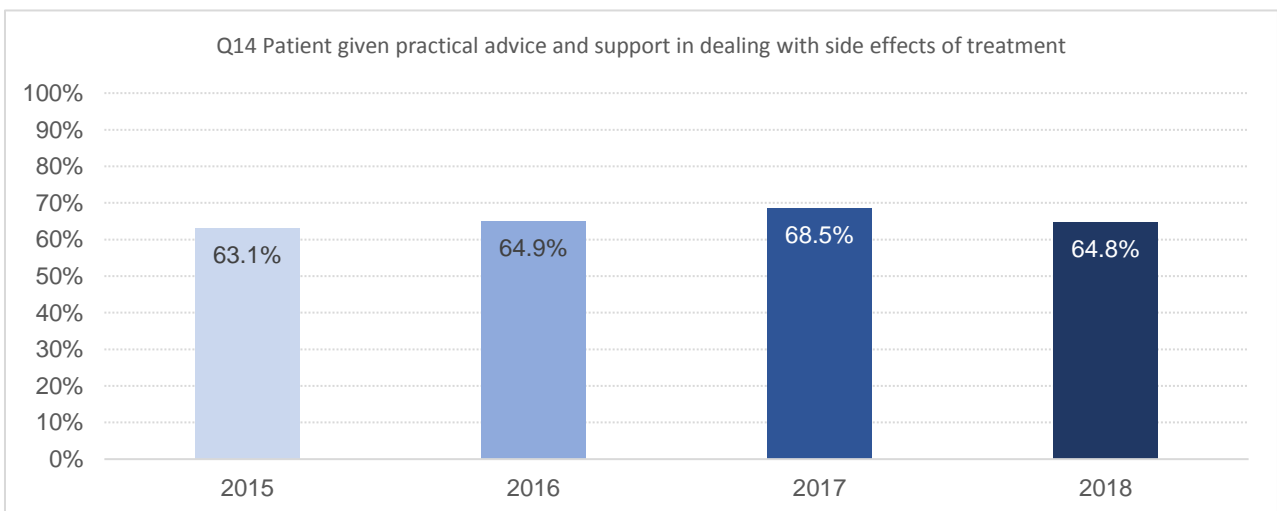
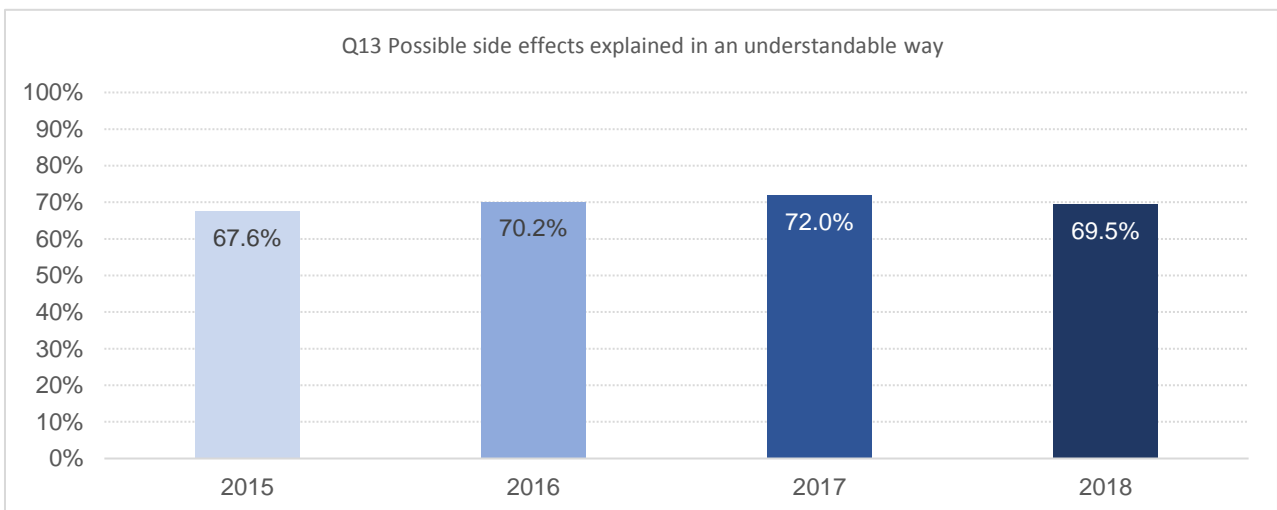
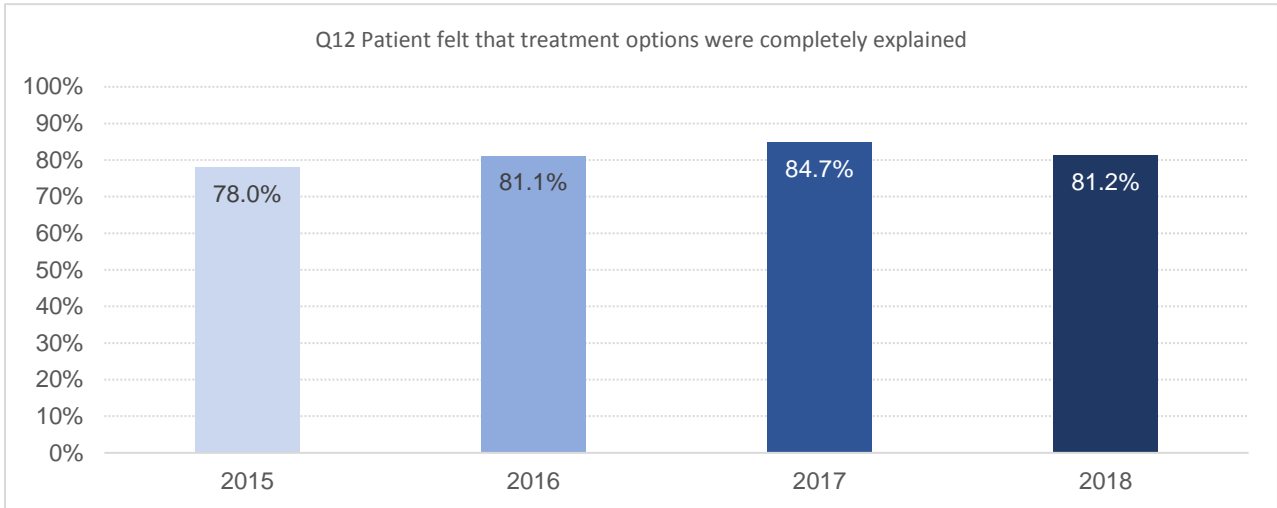


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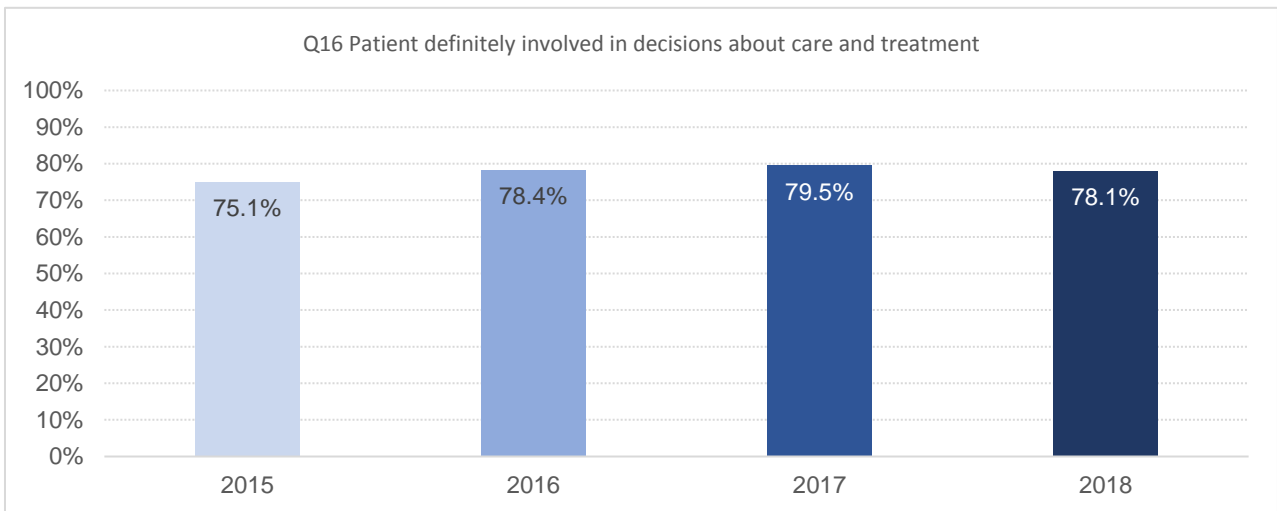
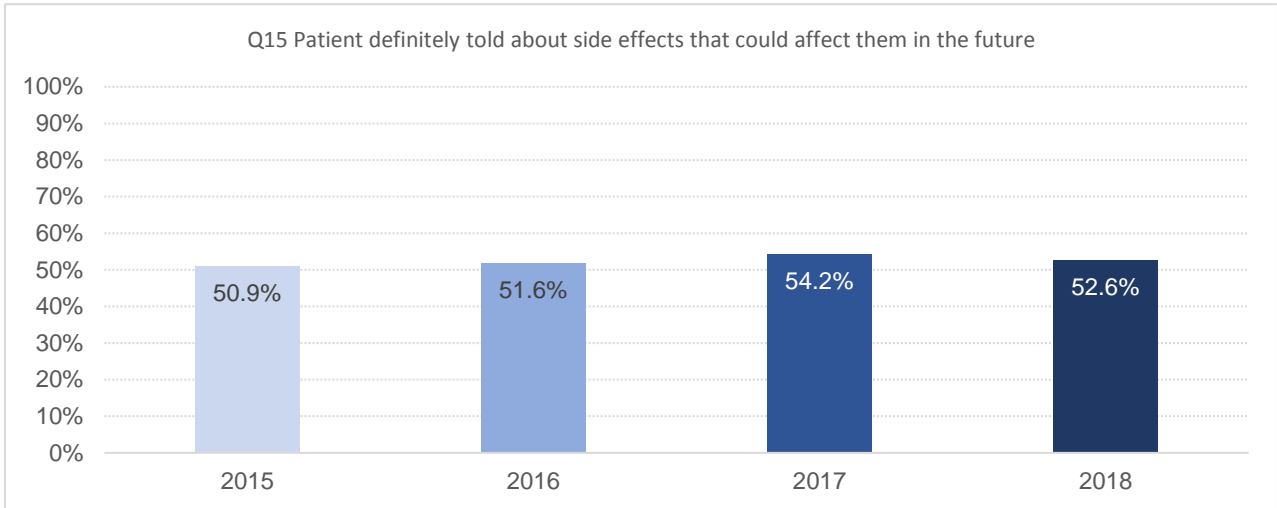
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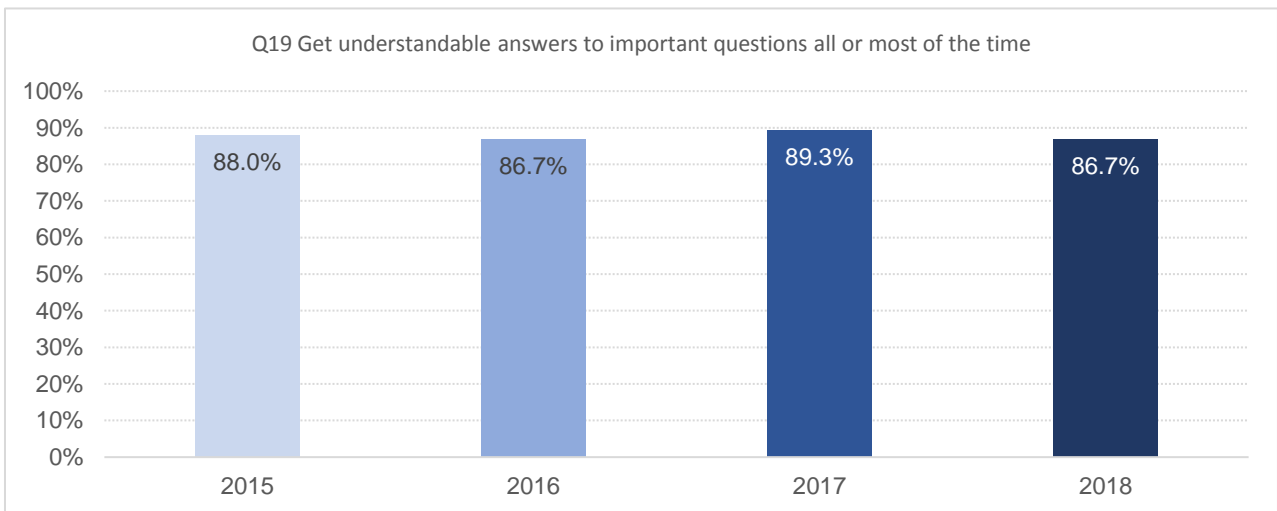
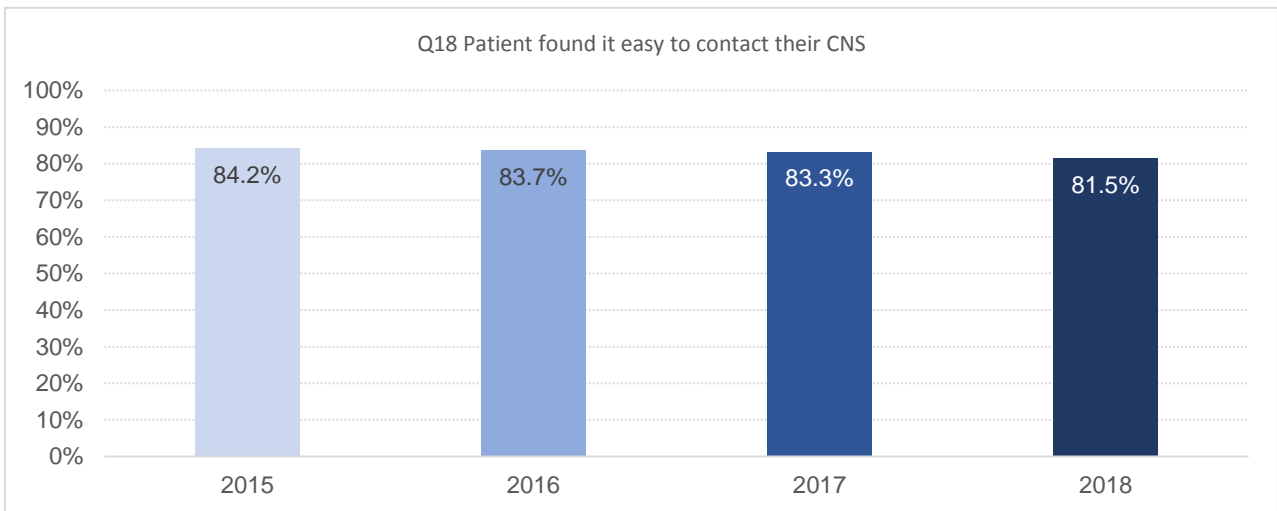
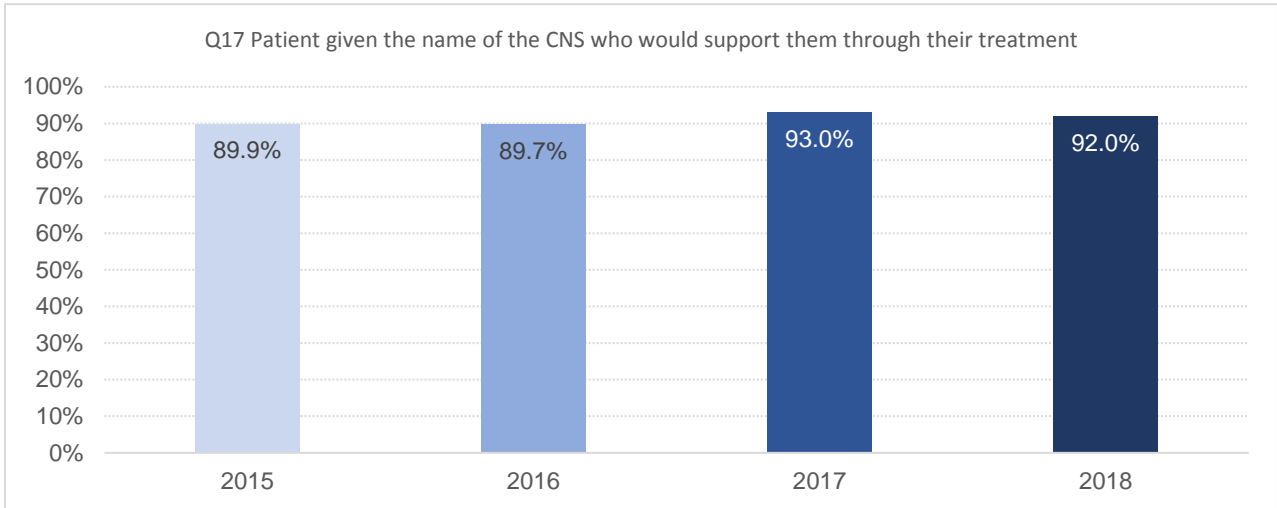
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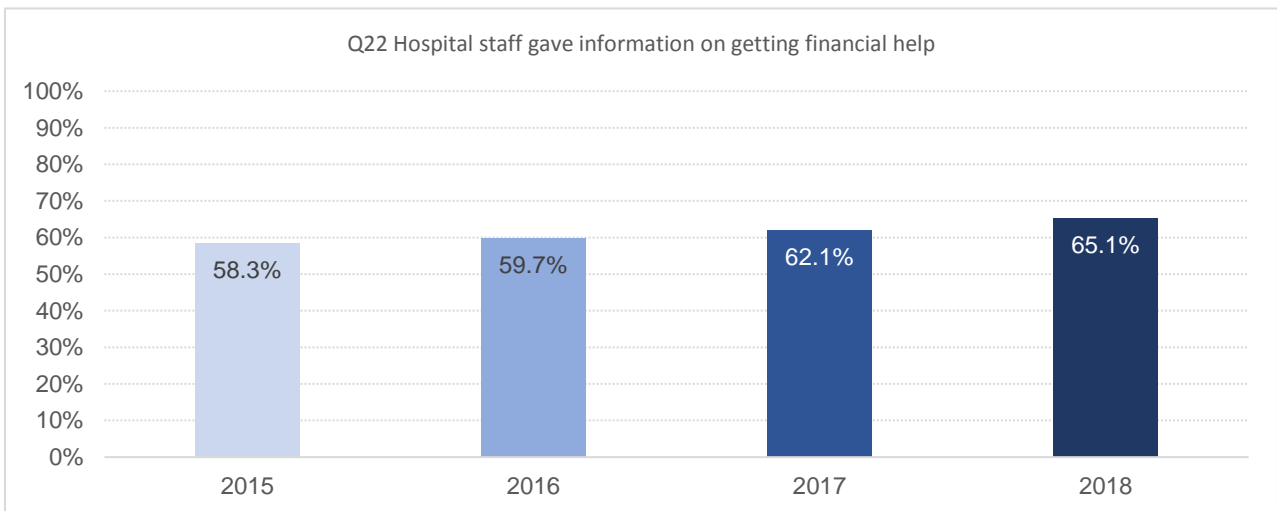
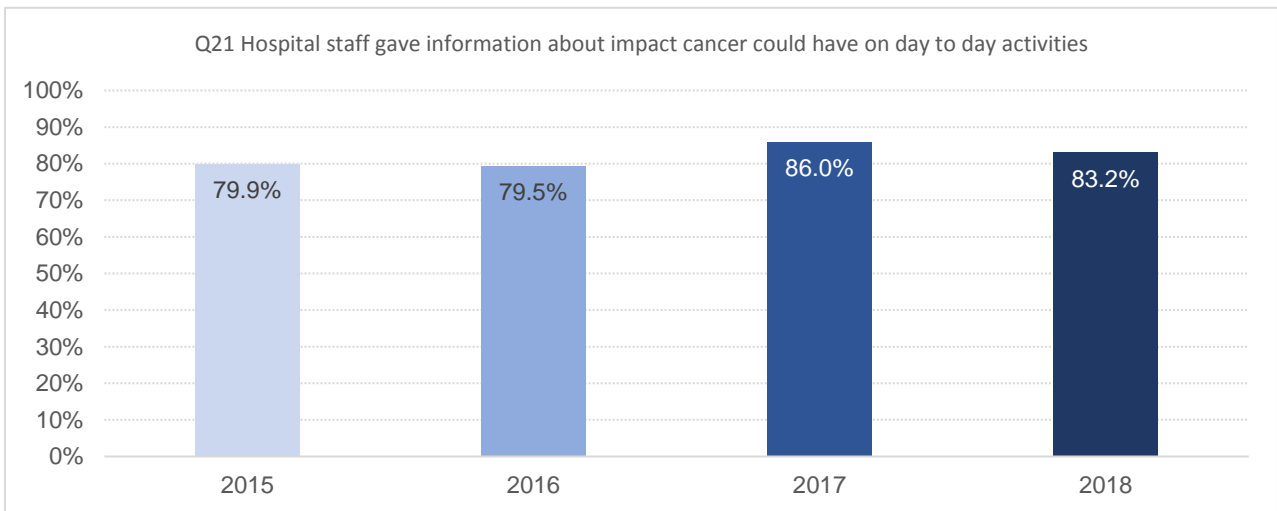
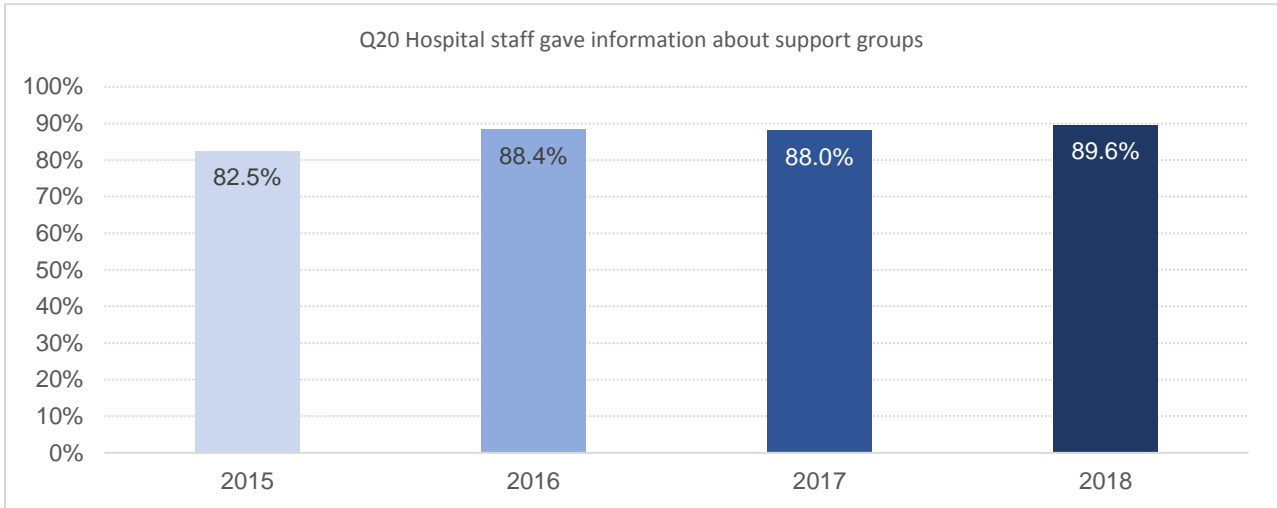
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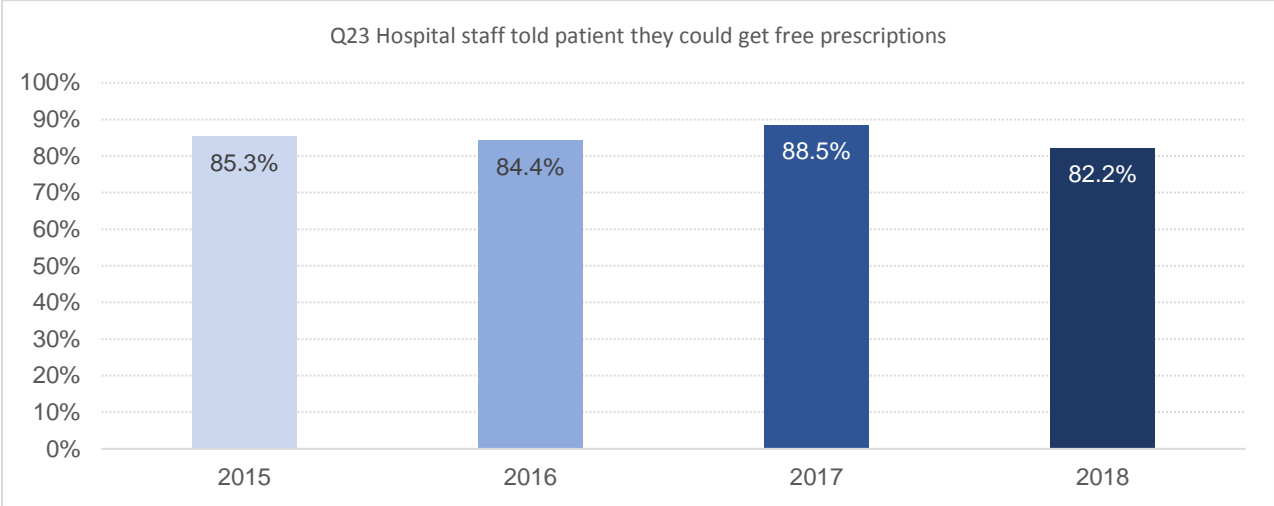
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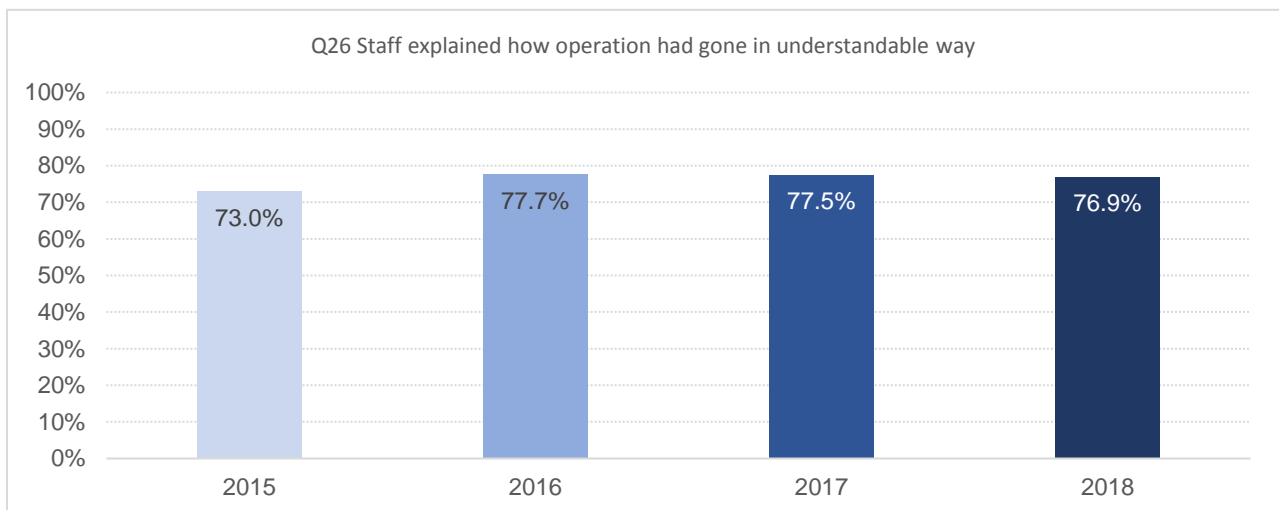
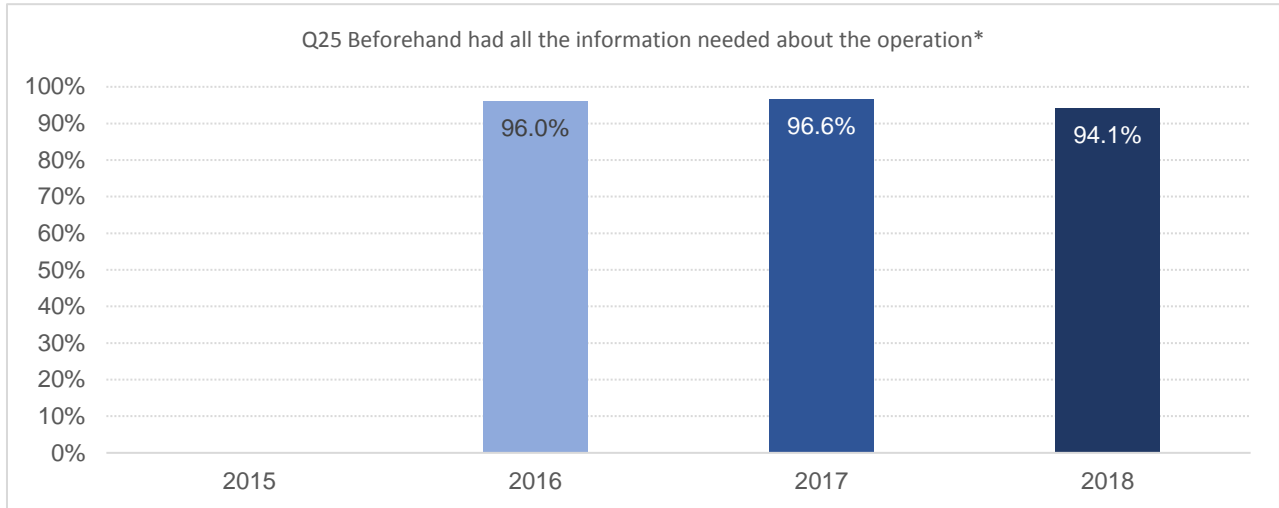
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Support for people with cancer (continued)



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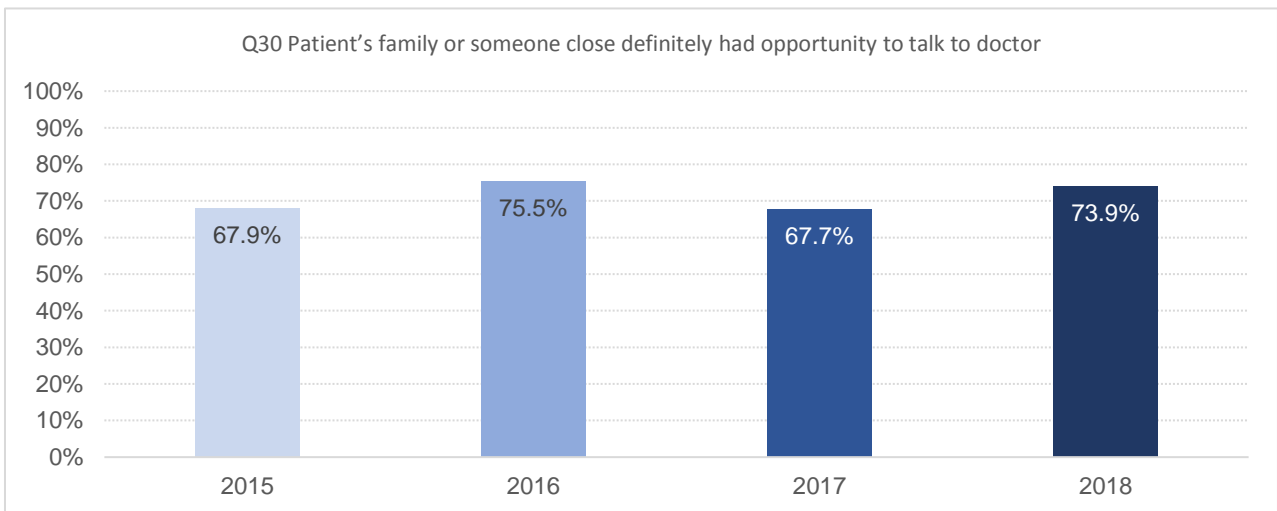
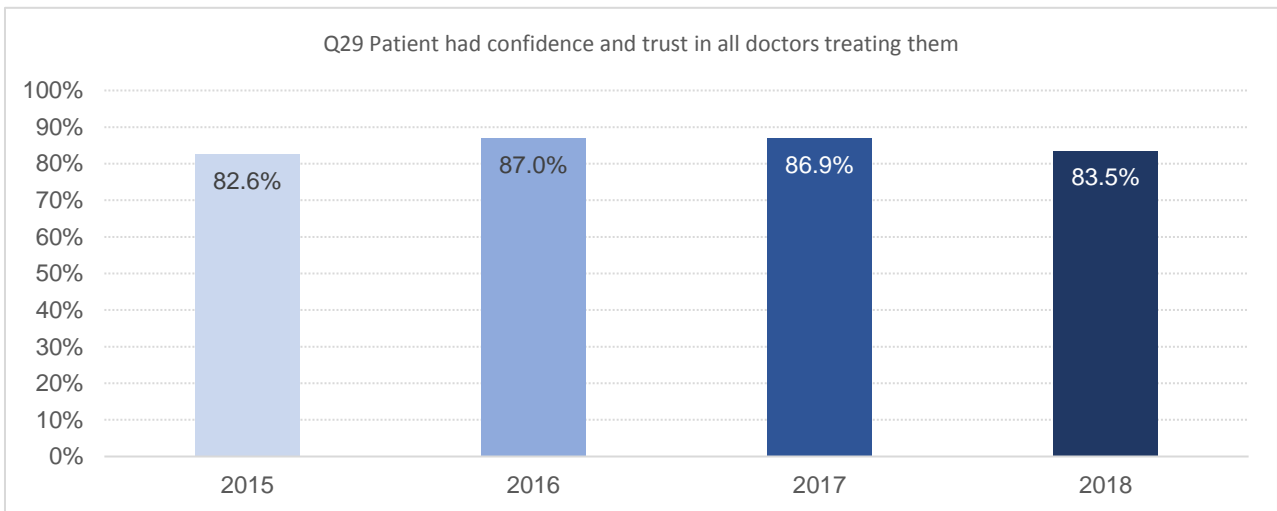
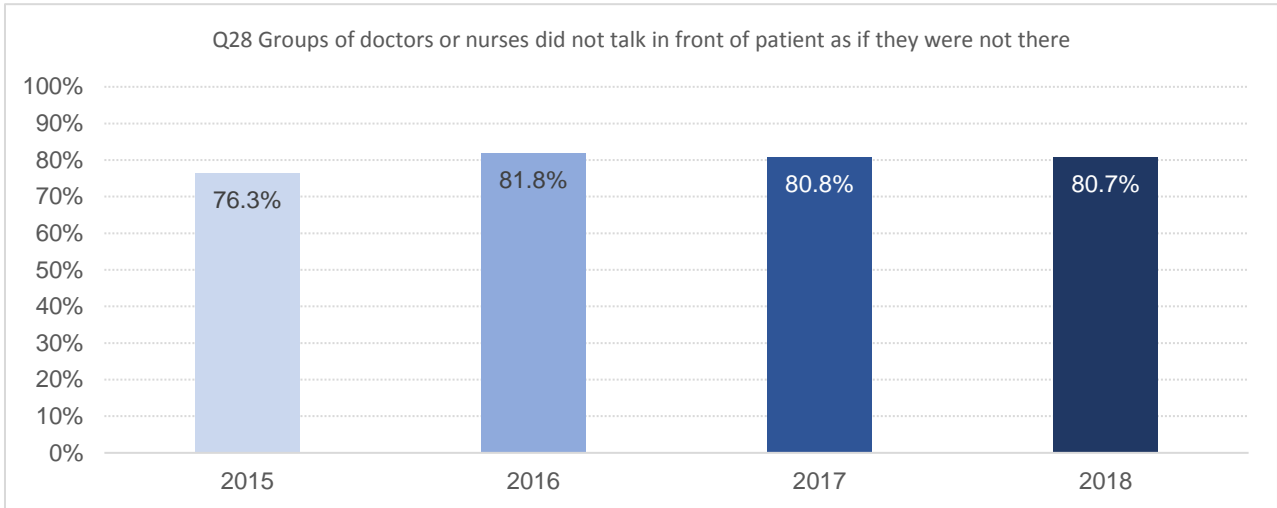
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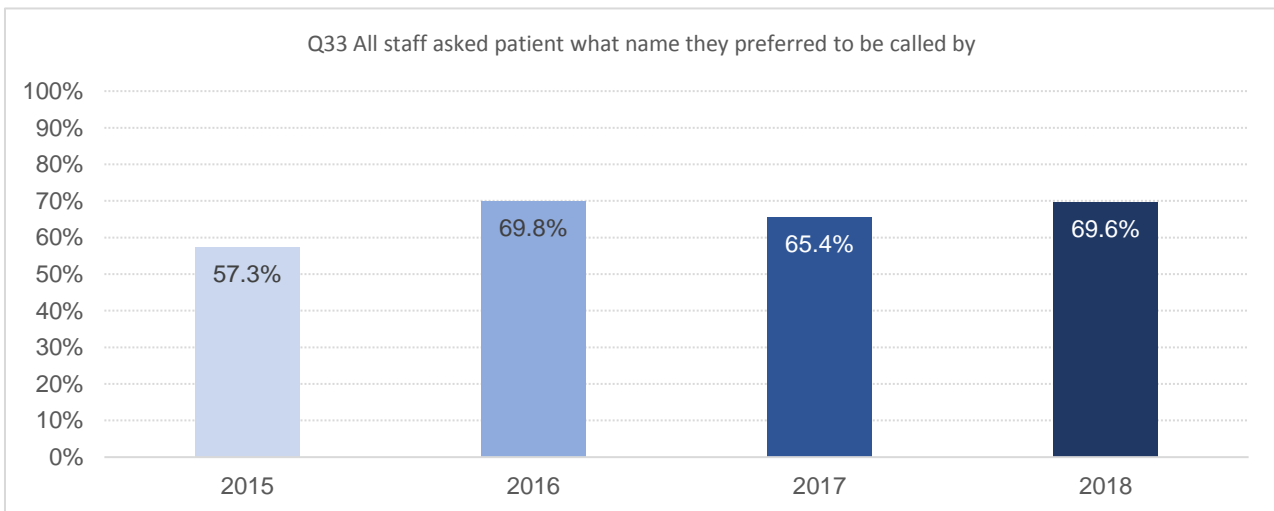
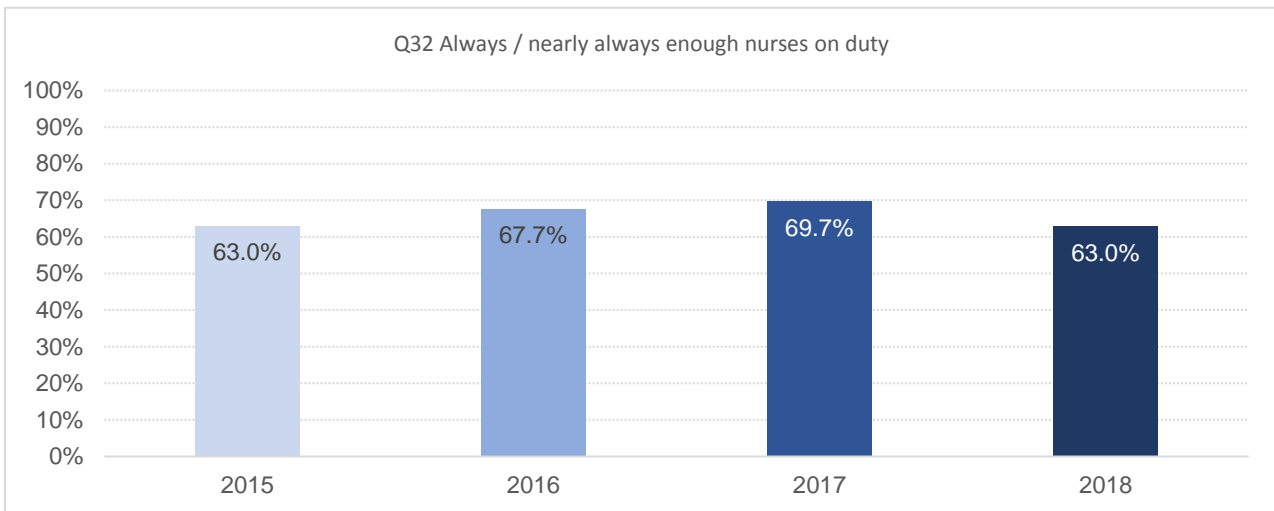
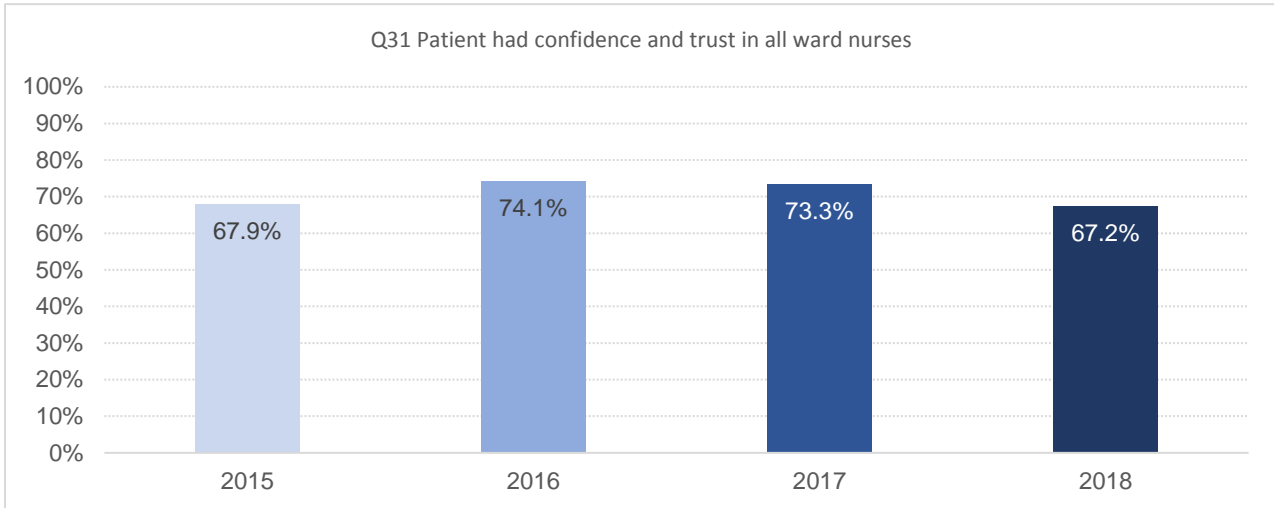
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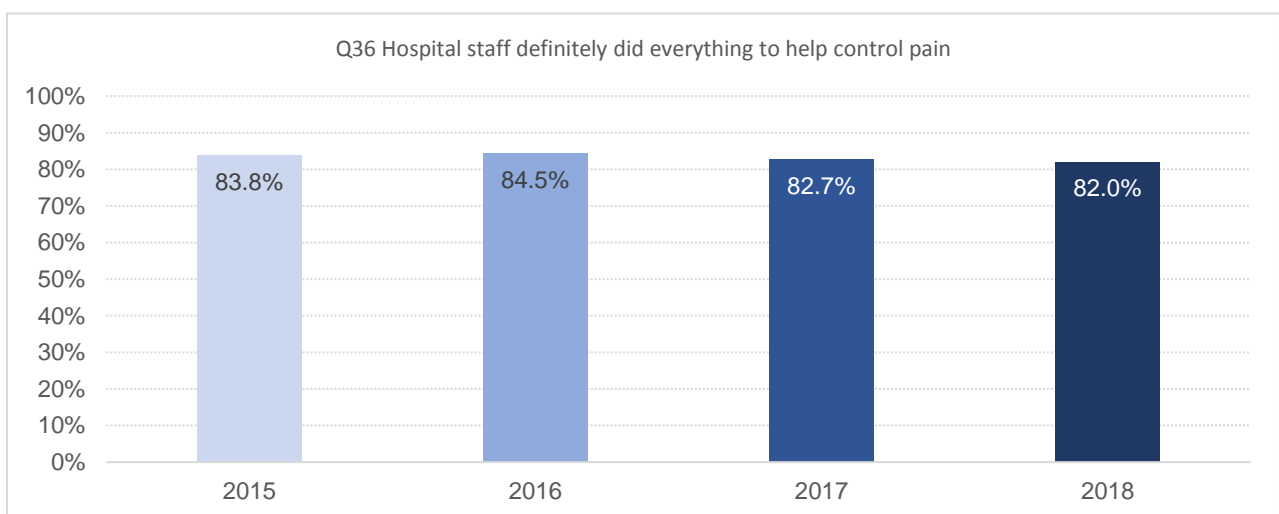
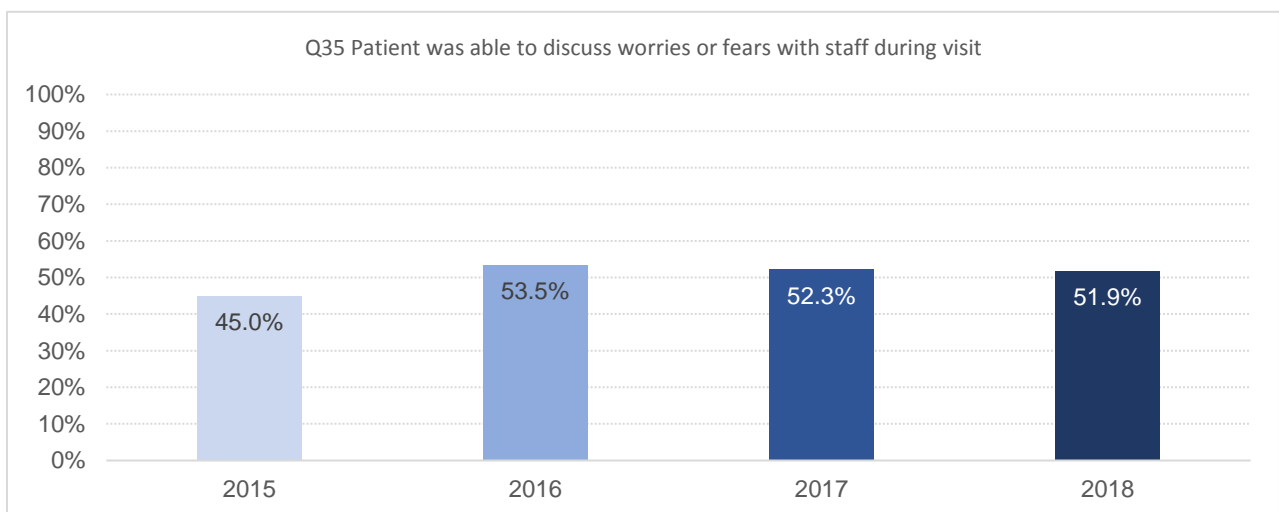
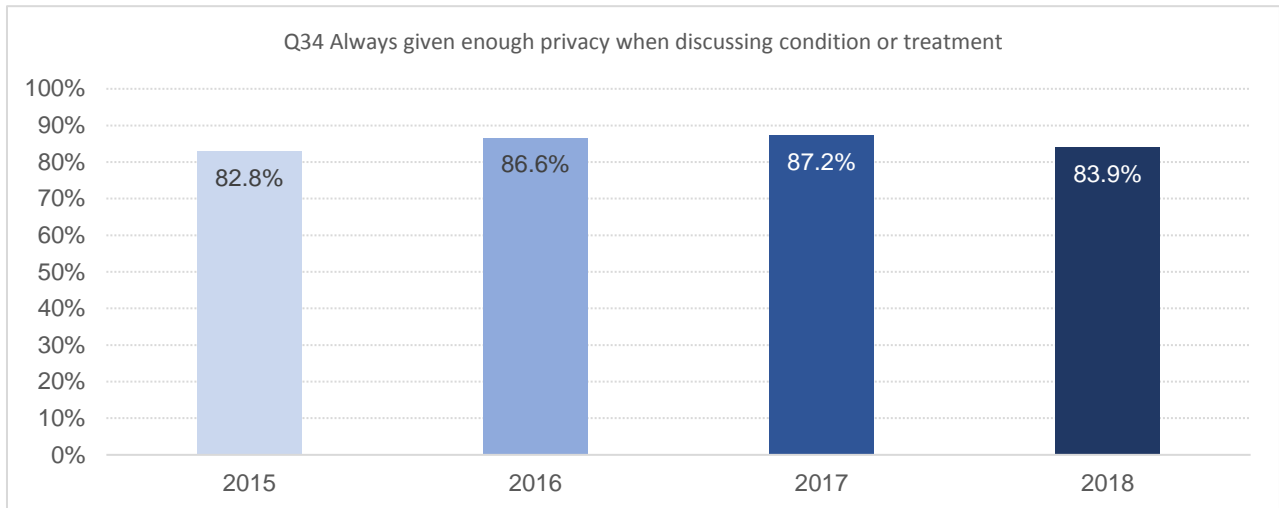


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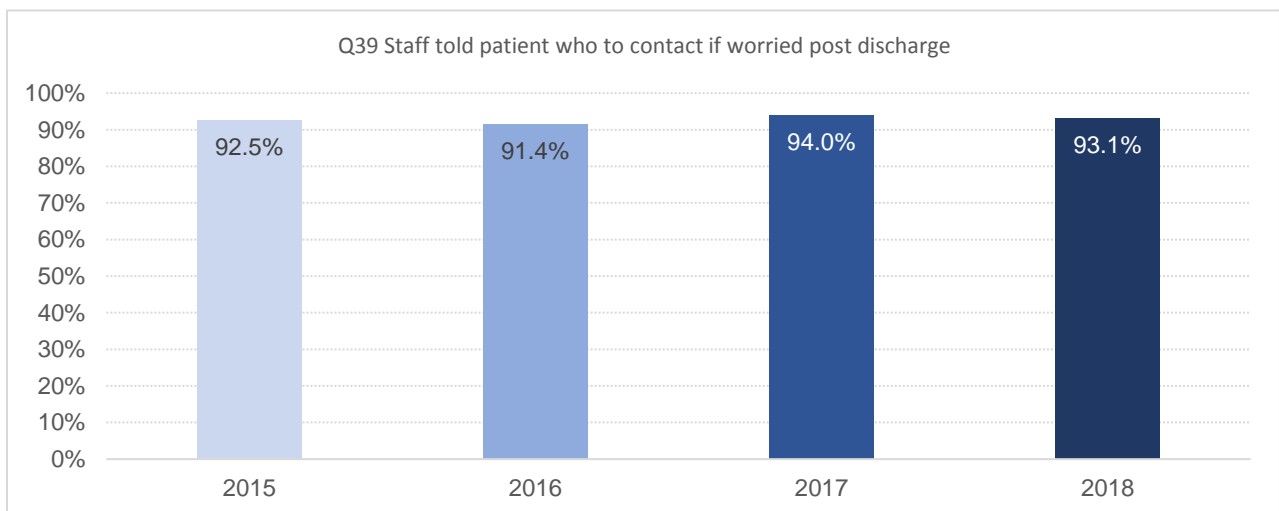
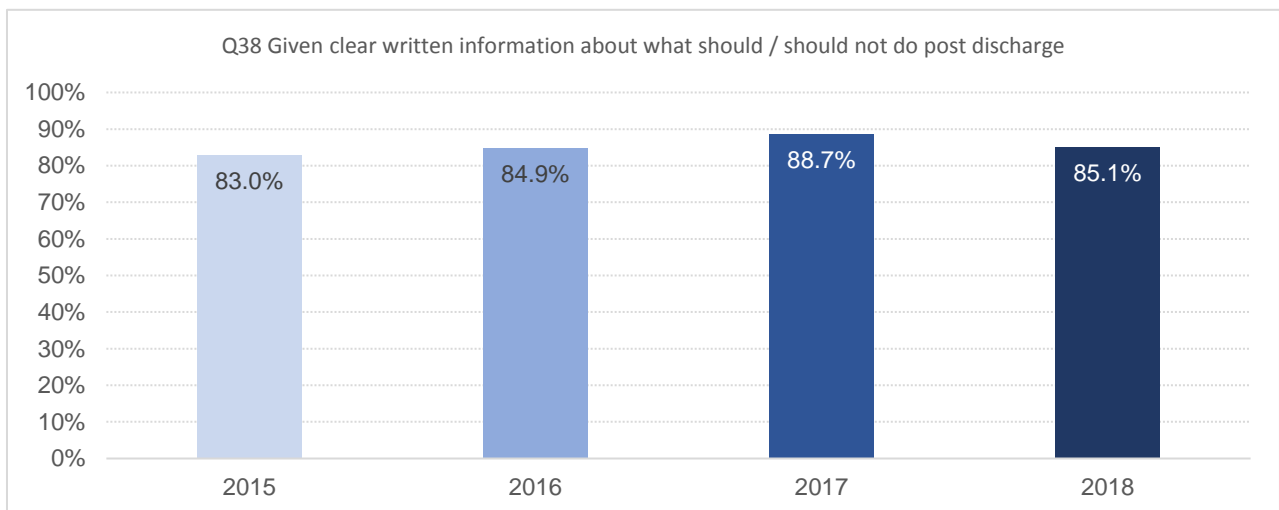
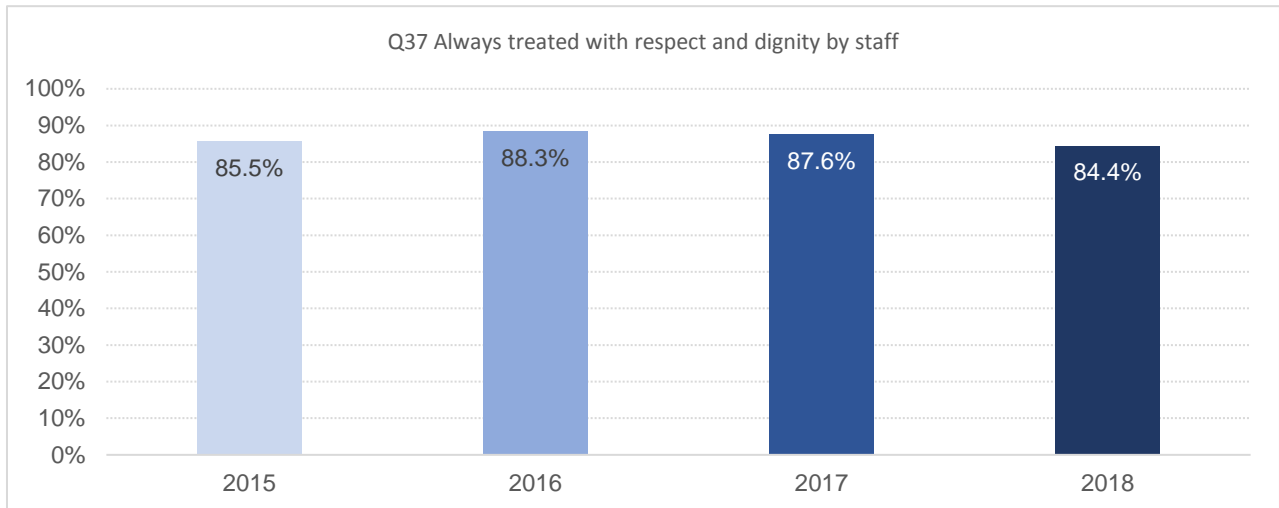
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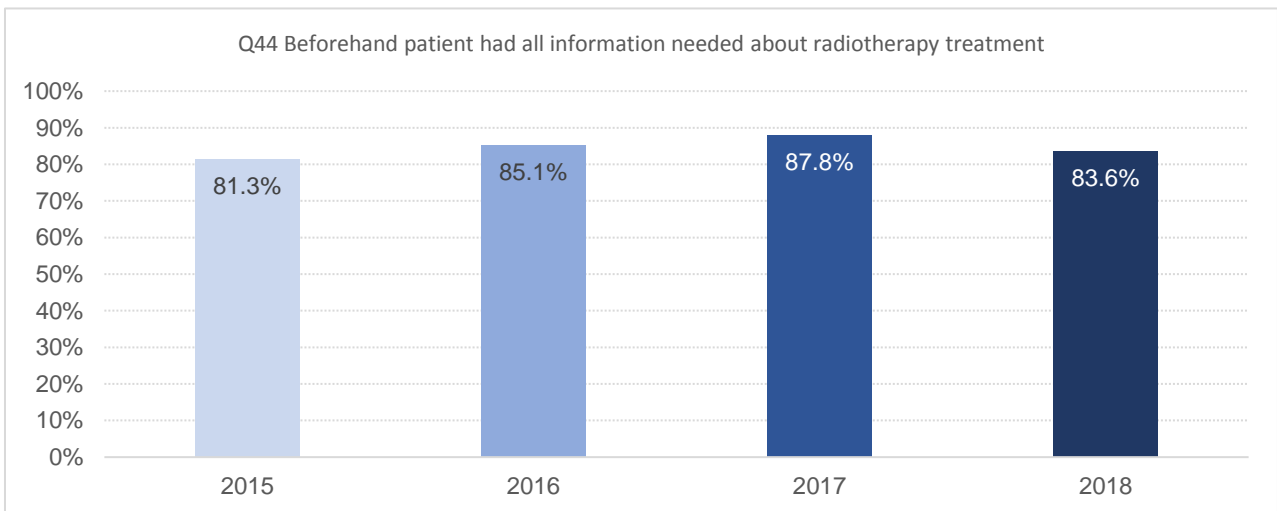
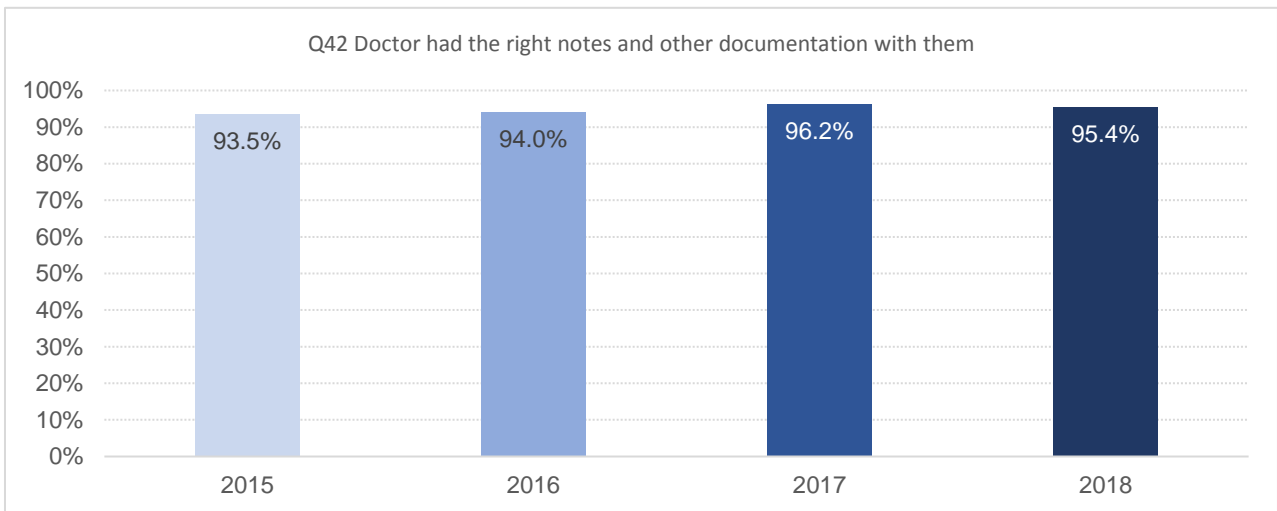
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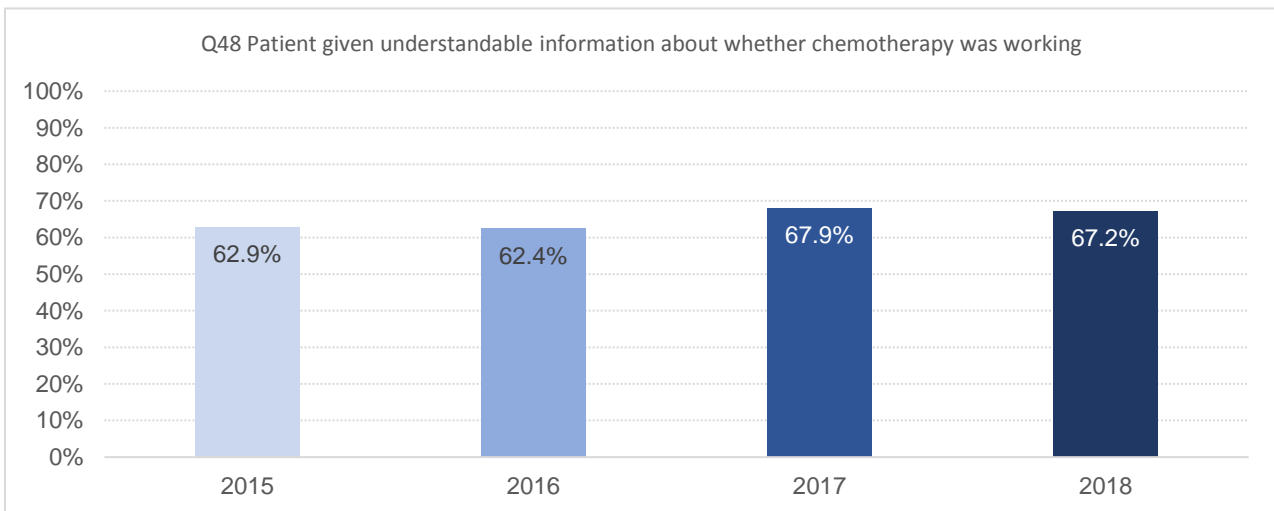
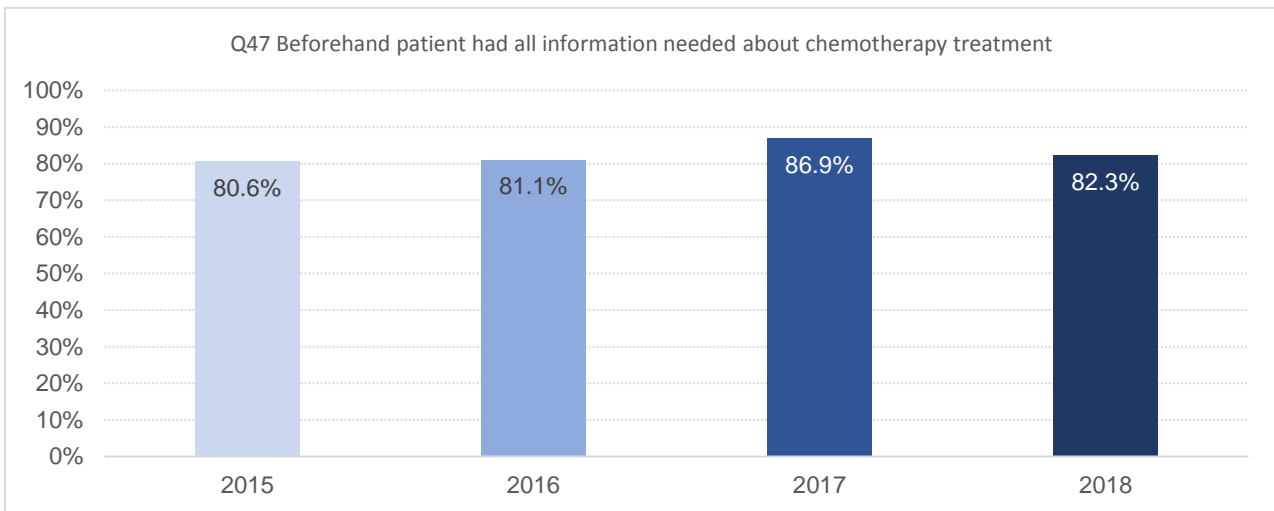
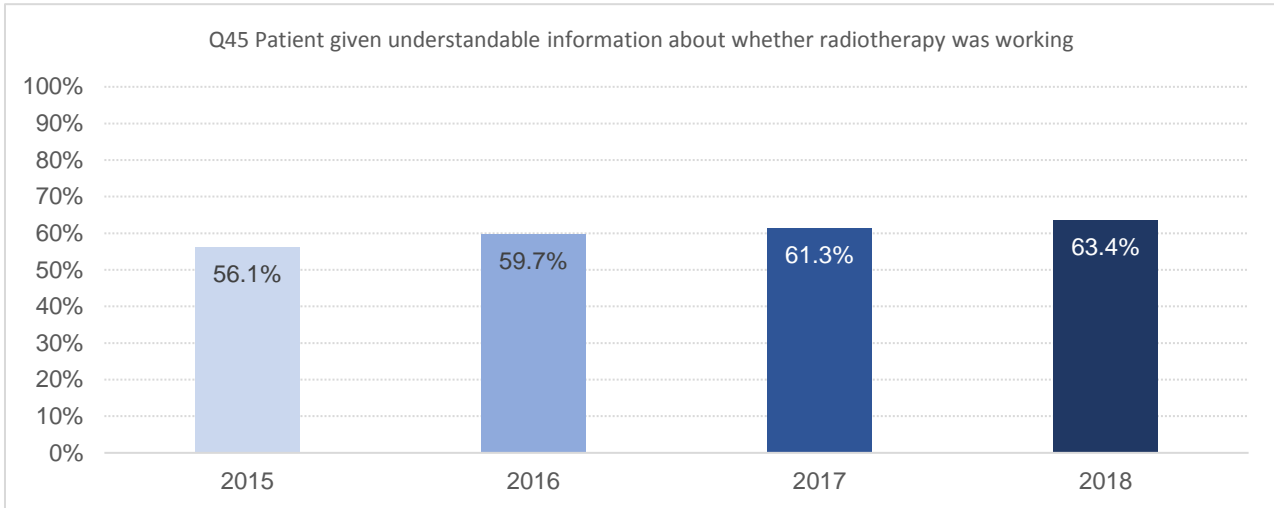
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Hospital care as a day patient / outpatient



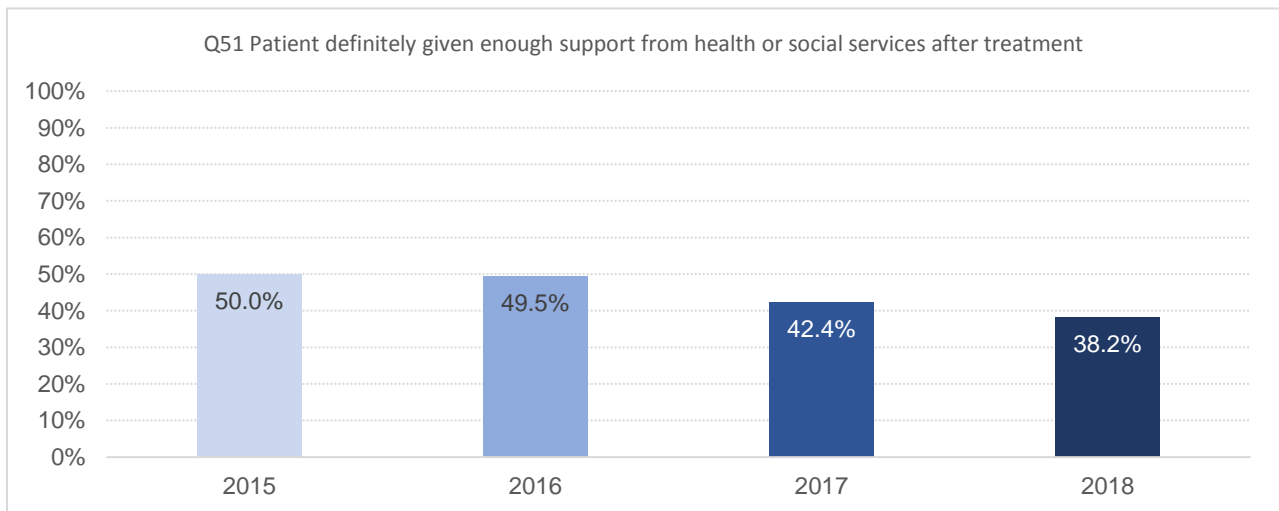
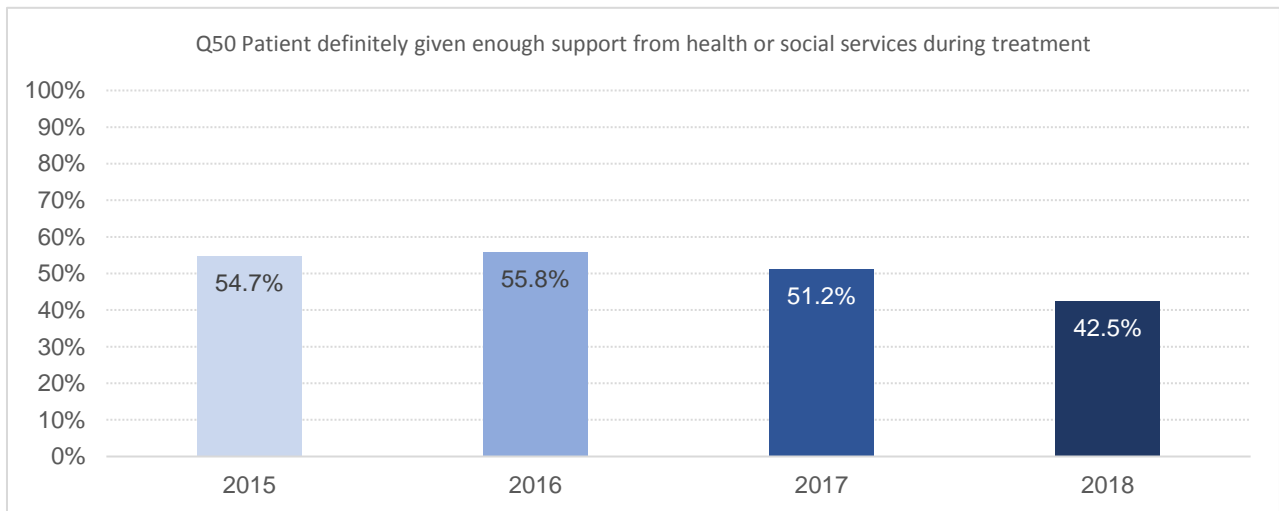
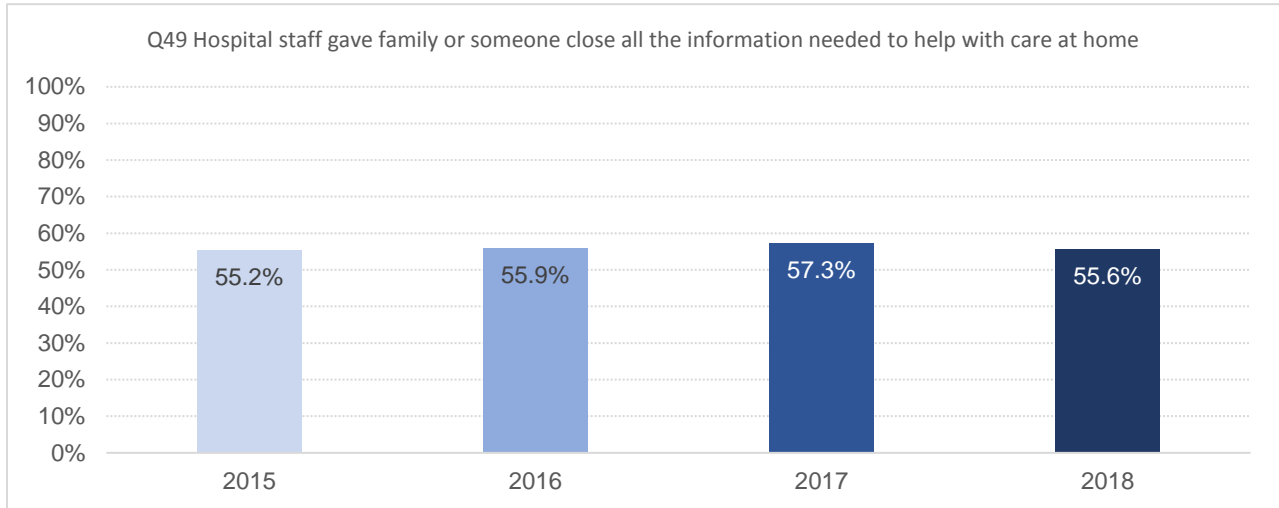
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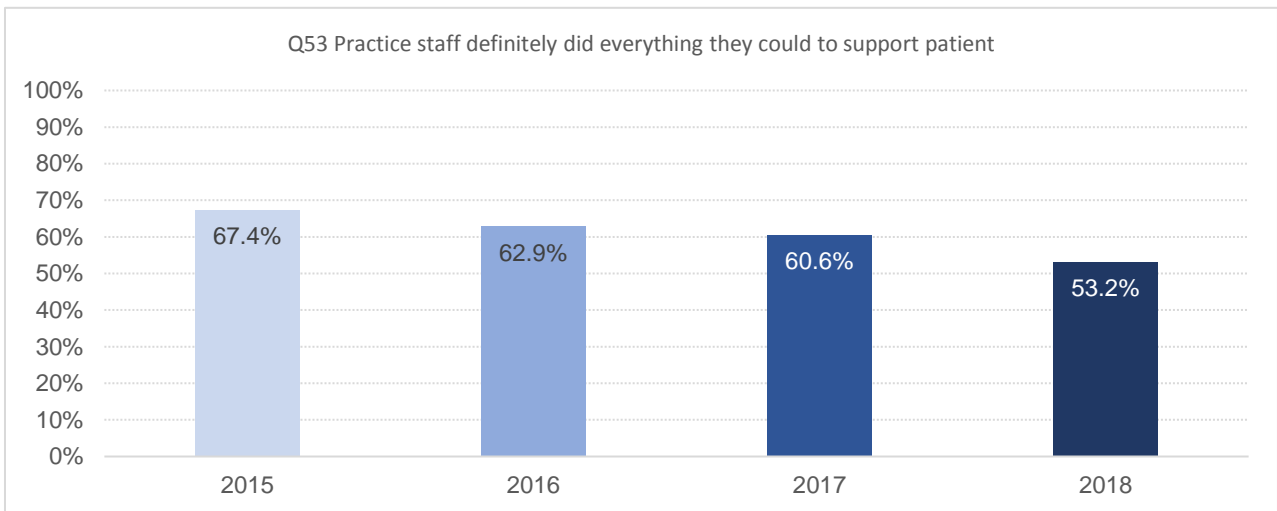
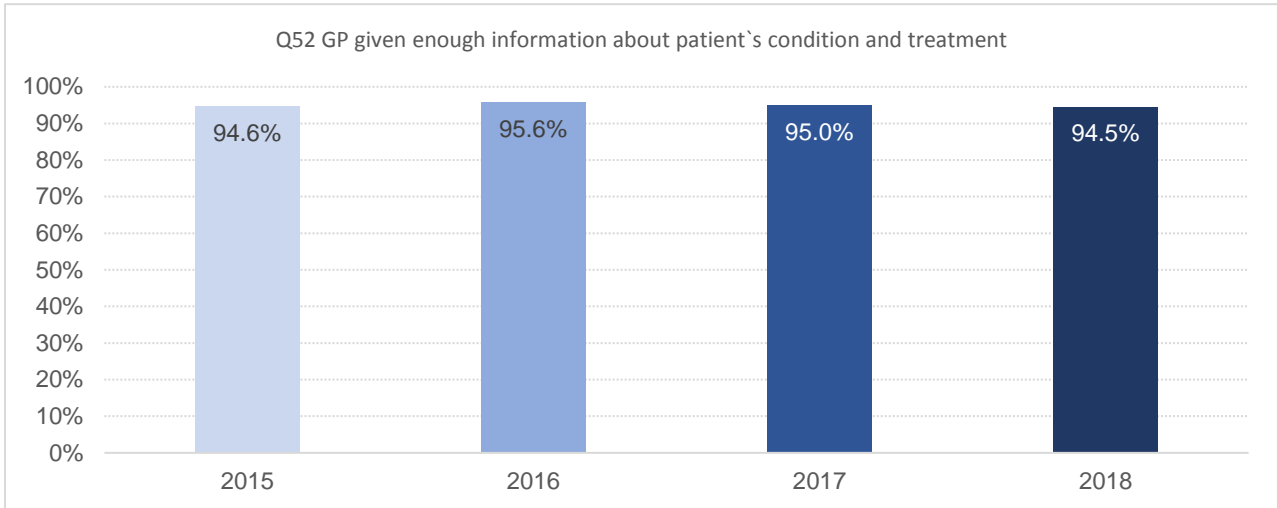
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### Home care and support



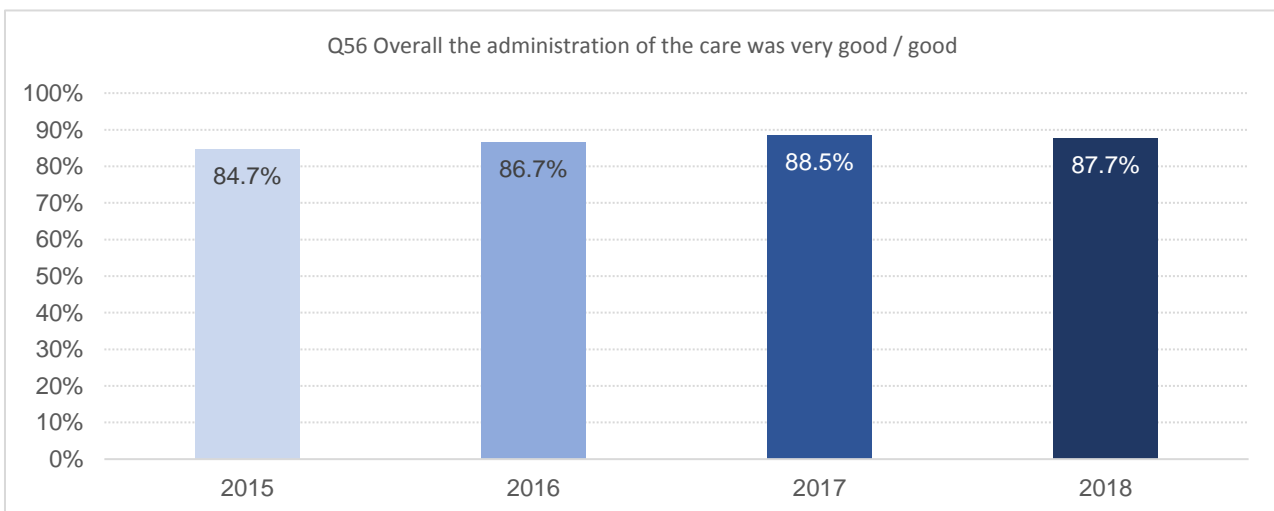
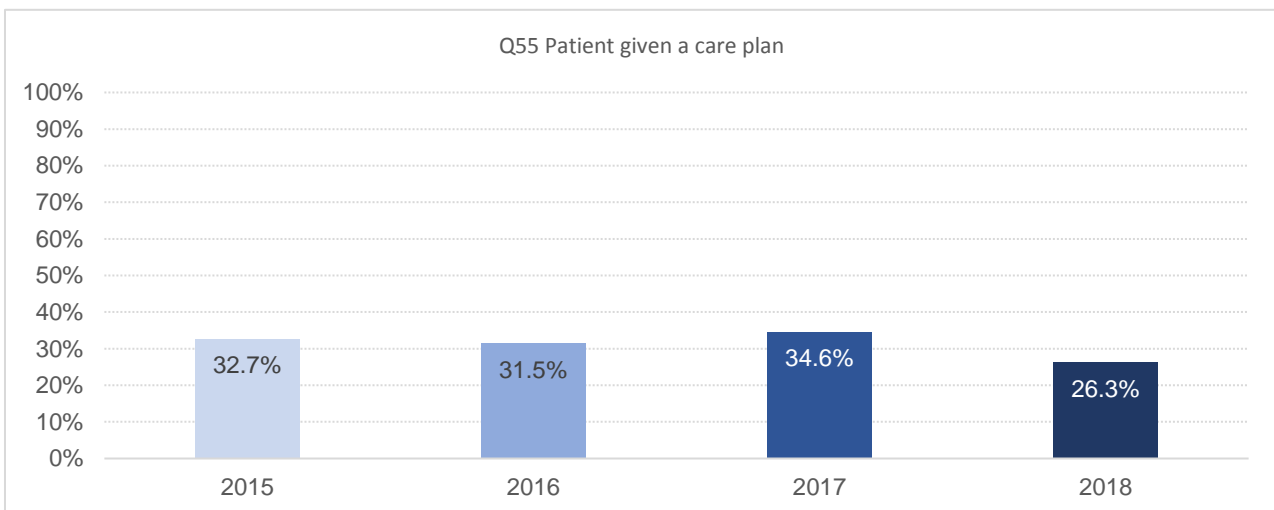
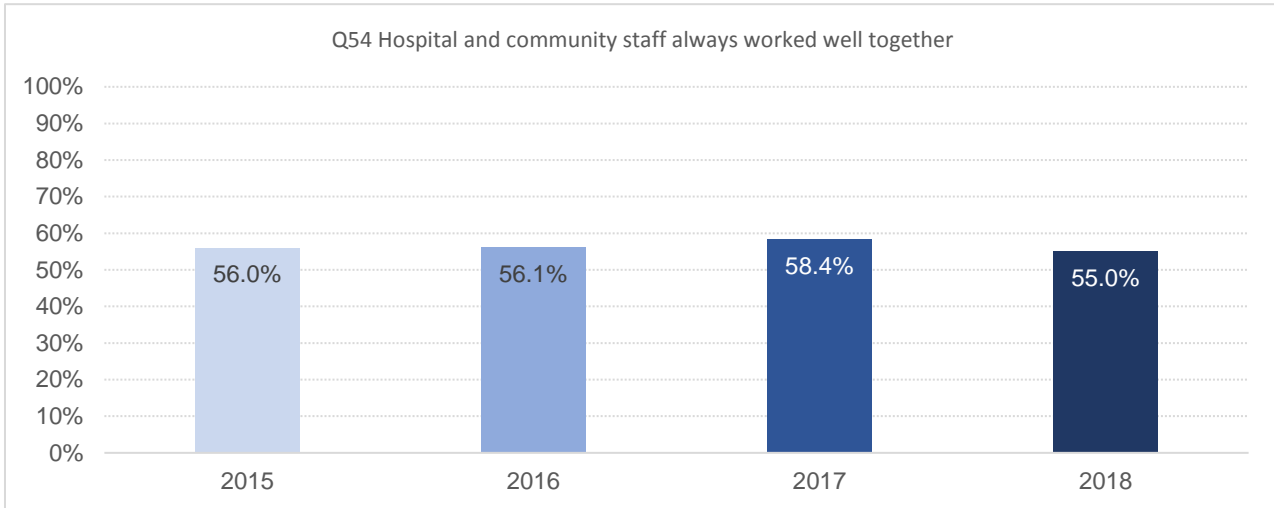
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Care from your general practice



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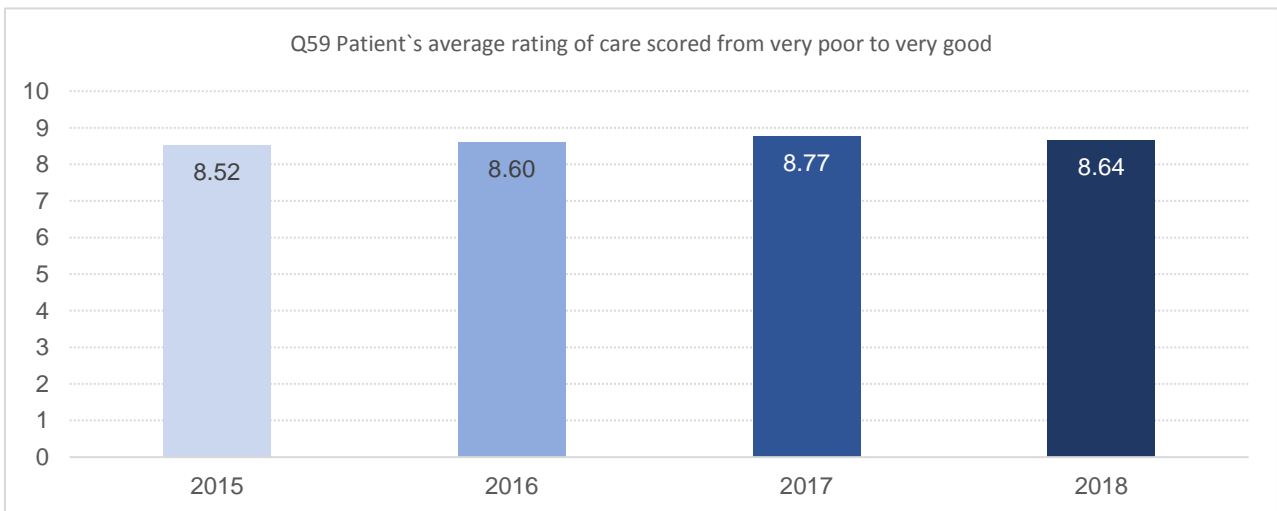
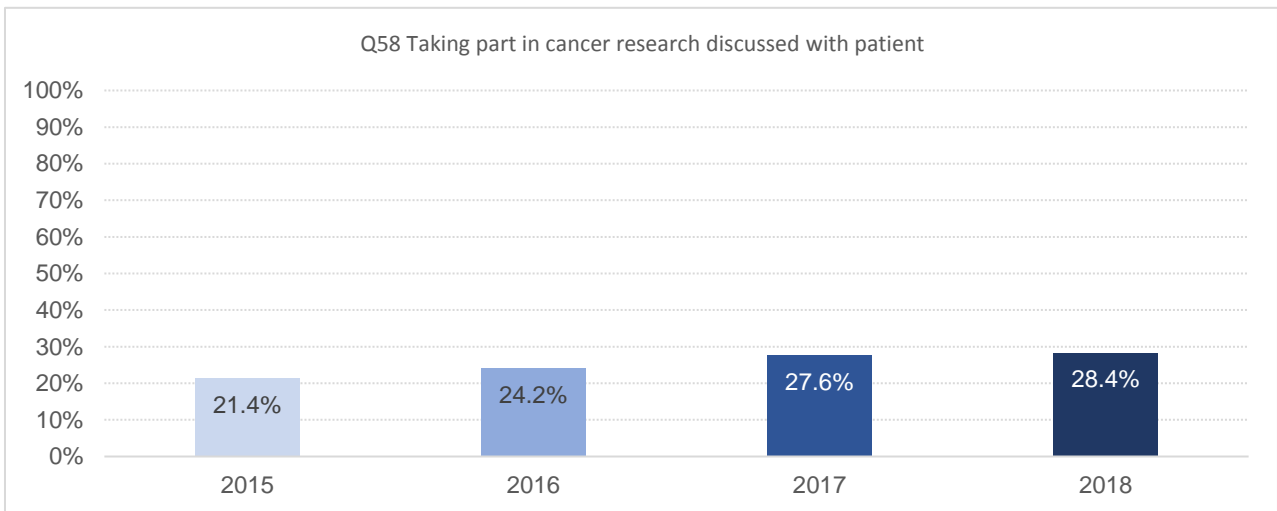
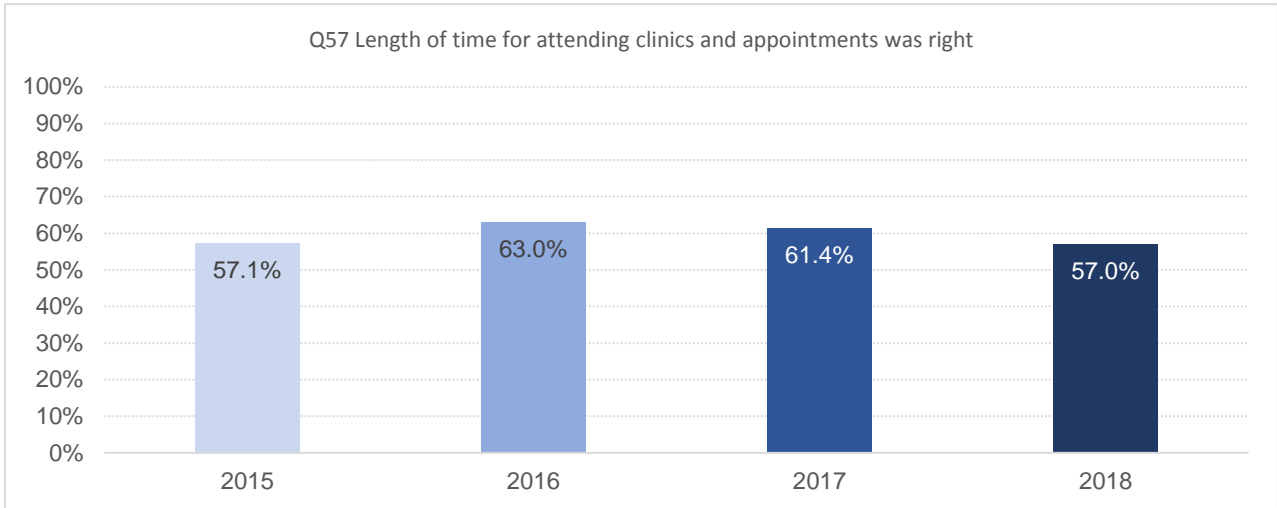
Your overall NHS care



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Your overall NHS care (continued)



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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 2018.

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 2018 and March 2019.

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/reports/2018-reports](http://www.ncpes.co.uk/reports/2018-reports)

### **Redevelopment of the 2018 survey**

There have been no changes to the questionnaire compared to 2017.

### **Official Statistics**

The 2018 survey data has been produced and published in line with the Code of Practice for Official Statistics.

## Annex (continued)

### Scoring methodologies

51 of the 52 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").

Neutral responses, such as "Don't know / I can't remember" and "I did not need an explanation" are not included in the denominator when calculating the score.

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 detailed scoring methodology for the 2018 questionnaire is available at: [www.ncpes.co.uk/reports/2018-reports/guidance-material-and-survey-materials-2018](http://www.ncpes.co.uk/reports/2018-reports/guidance-material-and-survey-materials-2018)

Further details on the scoring methodology can be found in the technical document for the survey, available at:

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### Case-mix adjustment

As in 2017, 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:

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## Annex (continued)

### Statistical significance

In the reporting of 2018 results, appropriate statistical tests have been undertaken to identify unadjusted scores for which the change over time is 'statistically significant'.

Each of the 52 scored questions in 2018 have been compared with those of 2017 and statistically significant change between the two years has been reported where identified.

For the 49 scored questions that are comparable across 2015, 2016, 2017 and 2018, overall statistically significant change over the four years has also been reported where identified.

'Statistically significant' means that you can be very confident that any change between scores is real and not due to chance.

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## Response Rates

	Sample Size	Excluded	Adjusted Sample	Not Returned	Blank / Refused	Completed	Response Rate
National	123,512	8,445	115,067	37,171	4,079	73,817	64%
06N	1,254	103	1,151	387	35	729	63%

## 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	9
Breast	158
Colorectal / LGT	85
Gynaecological	45
Haematological	108
Head and Neck	14
Lung	33
Prostate	68
Sarcoma	9
Skin	21
Upper Gastro	40
Urological	67
Other	72

\* 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	2	4	7	21	53	130	88	17	322
Female	2	4	29	58	102	125	65	22	407
Total	4	8	36	79	155	255	153	39	729



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