

National Cancer Patient Experience Survey

2016 Results

Bolton NHS Foundation Trust

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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.

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 Trust scored for each question in the survey, compared with national results. It is aimed at helping individual Trusts 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 Trust
- **Column 3** shows the number of respondents for 2016 to this question
- **Column 4** shows the unadjusted 2016 score for this Trust
- **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 Trust
- **Column 7** shows the lower limit of the expected range of case-mix adjusted scores for this Trust (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 Trust (the bottom of the dark blue section on the comparability chart - see below)
- **Column 9** shows the national average score for this question.

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

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

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

Comparability charts

For the 2016 survey, we have adopted the CQC standard for reporting comparative performance, based on calculation of "expected ranges". This means that Trusts 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 Trusts 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 Trust.

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

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

Tumour group tables

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

These breakdowns are intended as additional information for Trusts 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 Trust.

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

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

Response rates

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

Executive Summary

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

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

- **85%** 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
- **93%** of respondents said that it had been 'quite easy' or 'very easy' to contact their Clinical Nurse Specialist
- **89%** of respondents said that, overall, they were always treated with dignity and respect while they were in hospital
- **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
- **70%** of respondents said that they thought the GPs and nurses at their general practice definitely did everything they could to support them while they were having cancer treatment.

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

* www.cancerdata.nhs.uk/dashboard

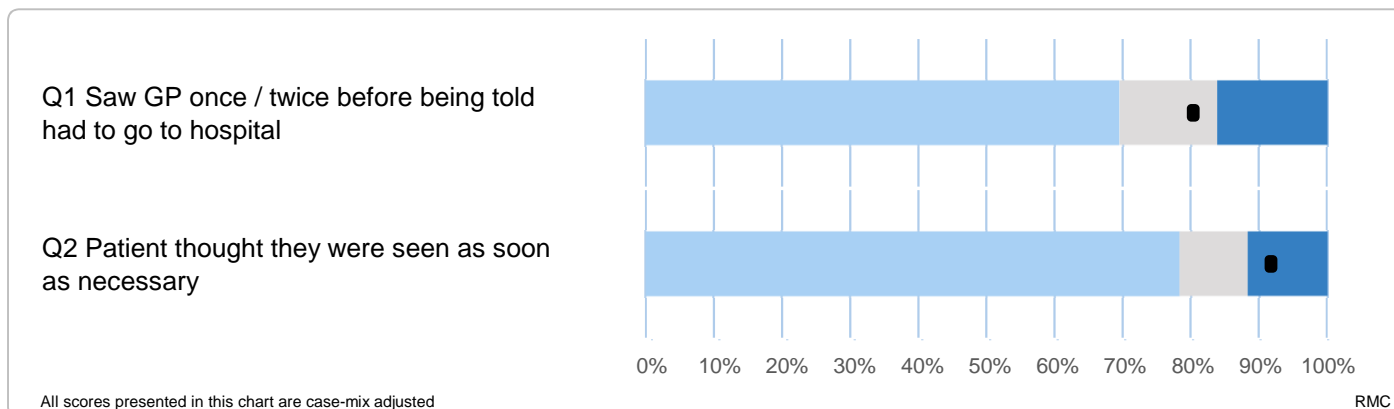
The questions were selected in discussion with the national Cancer Patient Experience Advisory Group and reflect four key patient experience domains: provision of information; involvement in decisions; care transition; interpersonal relations, respect and dignity. The figures presented above are all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

Questions which scored outside expected range

| Question | Number of respondents for this Trust | 2016 Case-mix Adjusted | | | National Average Score | |
|--|---|--------------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------------|-----|
| | | 2016 Percentage for this Trust | Lower limit of expected range | Upper limit of expected range | | |
| Seeing your GP | | | | | | |
| Q2 | Patient thought they were seen as soon as necessary | 214 | 92% | 78% | 88% | 83% |
| Finding out what was wrong with you | | | | | | |
| Q8 | Patient told they could bring a family member or friend when first told they had cancer | 207 | 86% | 69% | 83% | 76% |
| Q9 | Patient felt they were told sensitively that they had cancer | 211 | 91% | 79% | 89% | 84% |
| Q10 | Patient completely understood the explanation of what was wrong | 214 | 80% | 67% | 79% | 73% |
| Q11 | Patient given easy to understand written information about the type of cancer they had | 191 | 82% | 66% | 79% | 72% |
| Deciding the best treatment for you | | | | | | |
| Q12 | Patient felt that treatment options were completely explained | 192 | 92% | 77% | 88% | 83% |
| Q15 | Patient definitely told about side effects that could affect them in the future | 184 | 68% | 47% | 62% | 54% |
| Q16 | Patient definitely involved in decisions about care and treatment | 203 | 85% | 72% | 84% | 78% |
| Clinical Nurse Specialist | | | | | | |
| Q18 | Patient found it easy to contact their CNS | 159 | 93% | 80% | 92% | 86% |
| Q19 | Get understandable answers to important questions all or most of the time | 158 | 94% | 83% | 93% | 88% |
| Hospital care as an inpatient | | | | | | |
| Q35 | Patient was able to discuss worries or fears with staff during visit | 101 | 67% | 42% | 62% | 52% |
| Hospital care as a day patient / outpatient | | | | | | |
| Q41 | Patient was able to discuss worries or fears with staff during visit | 162 | 80% | 63% | 78% | 70% |
| Your overall NHS care | | | | | | |
| Q55 | Patient given a care plan | 159 | 25% | 25% | 41% | 33% |
| Q56 | Overall the administration of the care was very good / good | 213 | 95% | 85% | 94% | 89% |
| Q57 | Length of time for attending clinics and appointments was right | 212 | 80% | 58% | 77% | 67% |
| Q58 | Taking part in cancer research discussed with patient | 200 | 17% | 18% | 39% | 29% |

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Seeing your GP

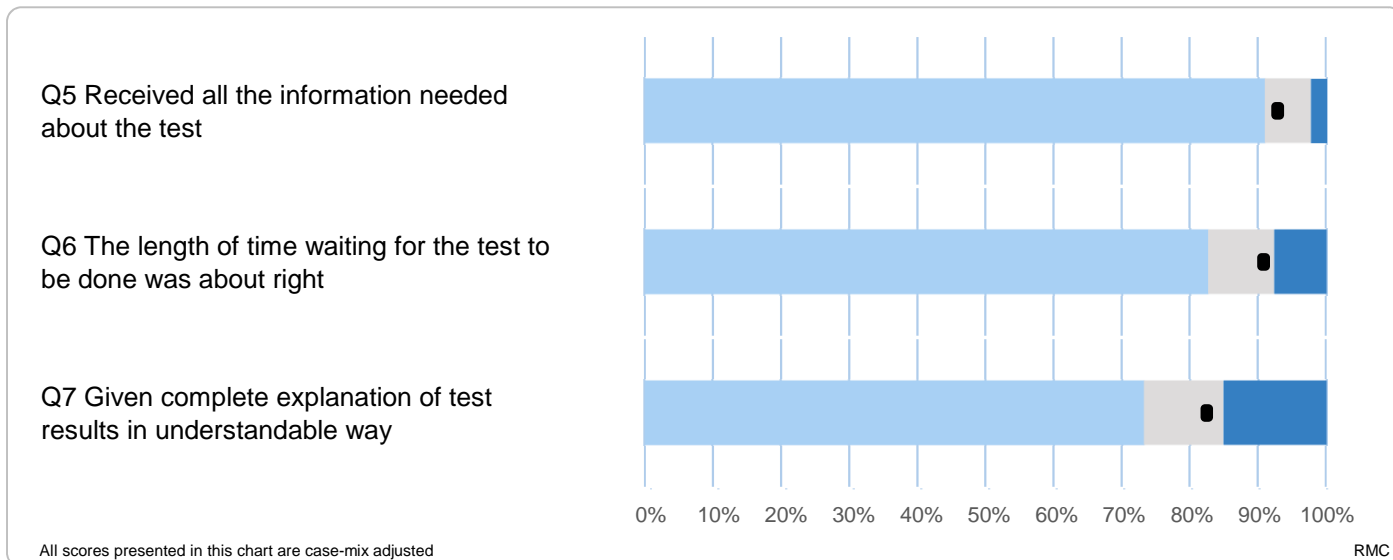


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| Q1 | Saw GP once / twice before being told had to go to hospital | 113 | 75% | 134 | 81% | | 80% | 70% | 84% | 77% |
| Q2 | Patient thought they were seen as soon as necessary | 181 | 85% | 214 | 93% | | 92% | 78% | 88% | 83% |

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Diagnostic Tests

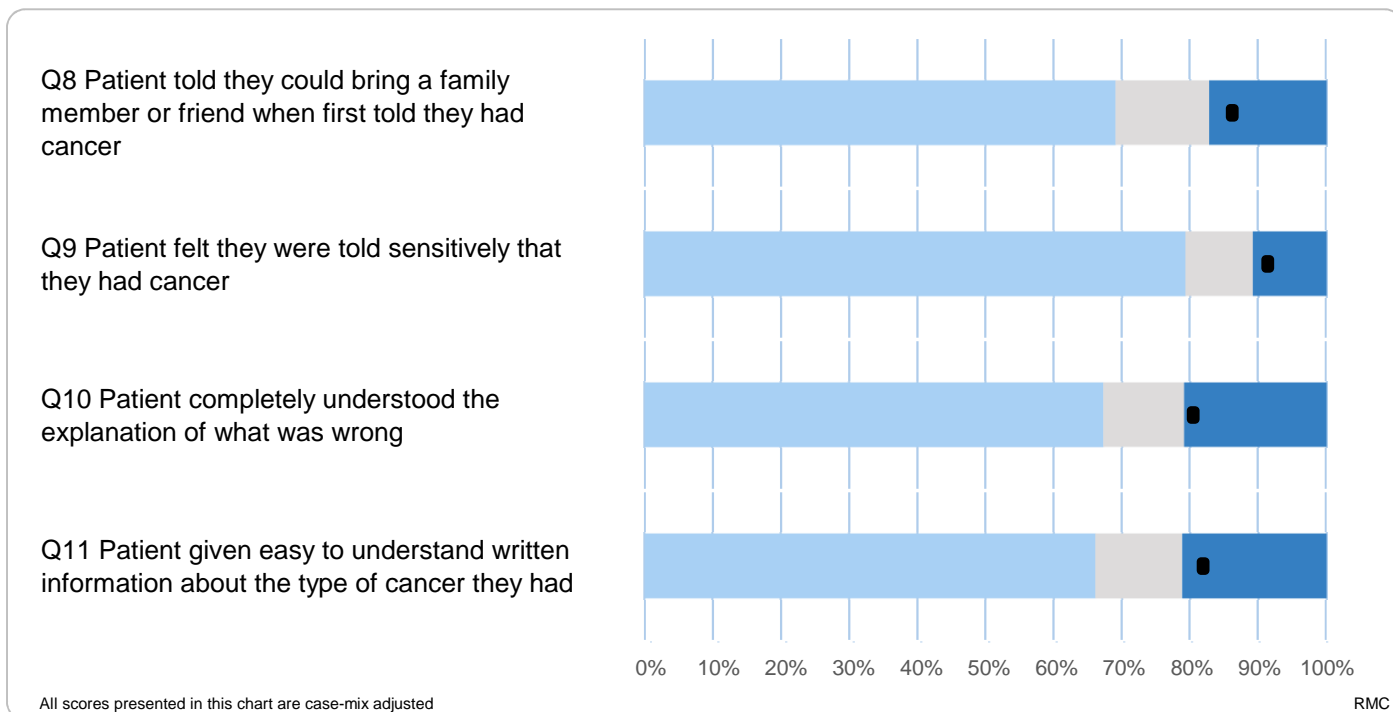


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| Q5 | - | - | 187 | 93% | | 93% | 91% | 98% | 94% |
| Q6 | 149 | 91% | 190 | 92% | | 91% | 83% | 92% | 87% |
| Q7 | 151 | 79% | 189 | 84% | | 82% | 73% | 85% | 79% |

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Finding out what was wrong with you

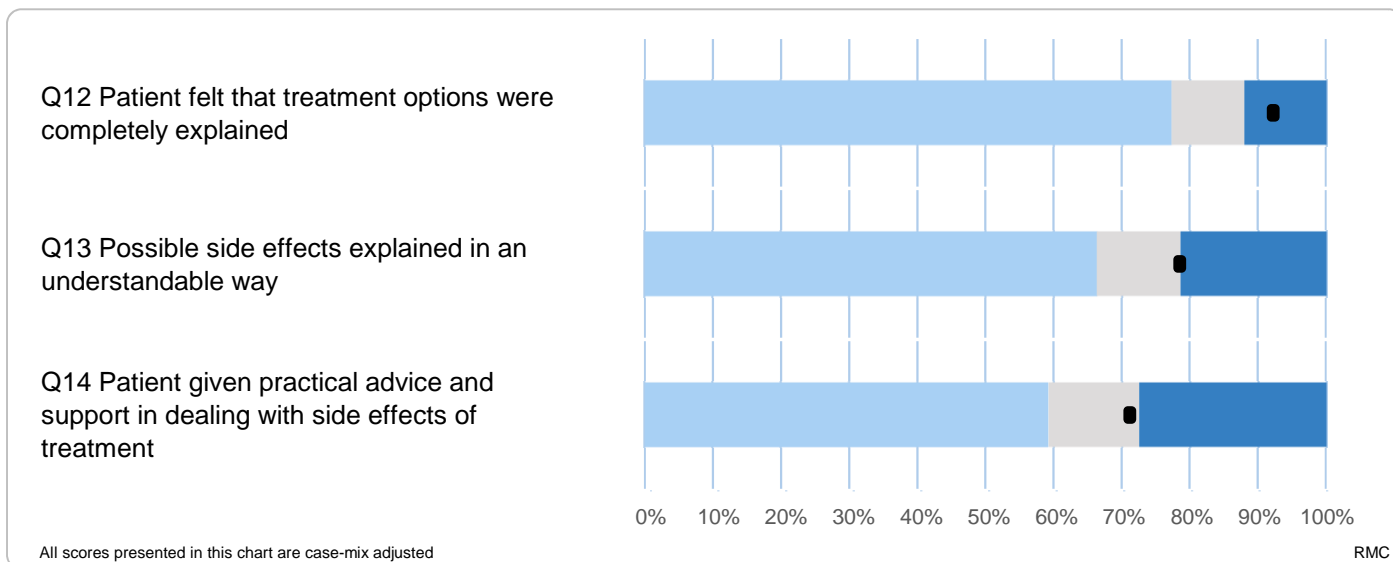


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| Q8 Patient told they could bring a family member or friend when first told they had cancer | - | - | 207 | 88% | | 86% | 69% | 83% | 76% |
| Q9 Patient felt they were told sensitively that they had cancer | 183 | 91% | 211 | 92% | | 91% | 79% | 89% | 84% |
| Q10 Patient completely understood the explanation of what was wrong | 183 | 77% | 214 | 81% | | 80% | 67% | 79% | 73% |
| Q11 Patient given easy to understand written information about the type of cancer they had | 167 | 80% | 191 | 84% | | 82% | 66% | 79% | 72% |

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

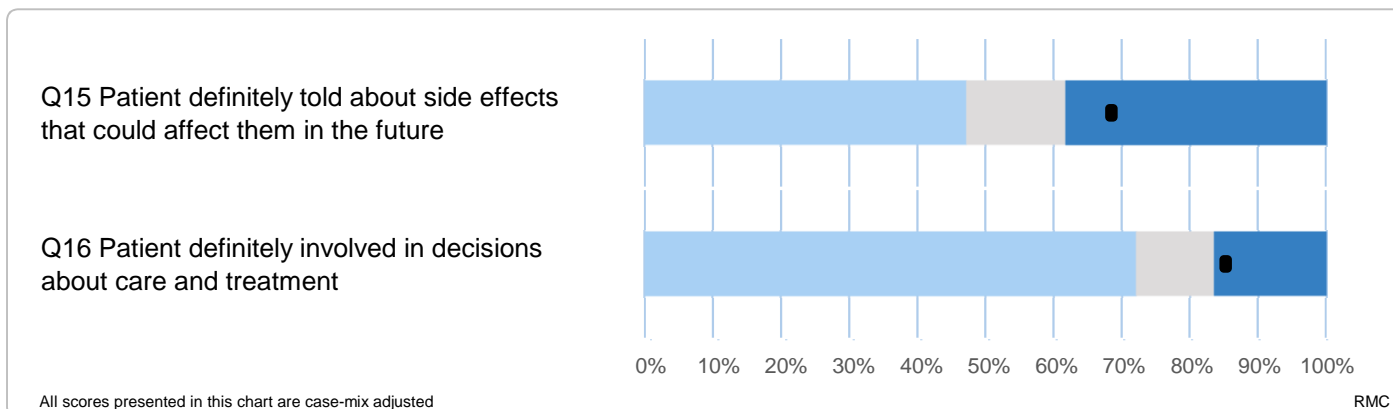


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| Q12 Patient felt that treatment options were completely explained | 161 | 91% | 192 | 93% | | 92% | 77% | 88% | 83% |
| Q13 Possible side effects explained in an understandable way | 172 | 80% | 205 | 79% | | 78% | 66% | 79% | 72% |
| Q14 Patient given practical advice and support in dealing with side effects of treatment | 173 | 75% | 204 | 73% | | 71% | 59% | 73% | 66% |

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



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| Q15 | Patient definitely told about side effects that could affect them in the future | 164 | 59% | 184 | 69% | | 68% | 47% | 62% | 54% |
| Q16 | Patient definitely involved in decisions about care and treatment | 179 | 87% | 203 | 86% | | 85% | 72% | 84% | 78% |

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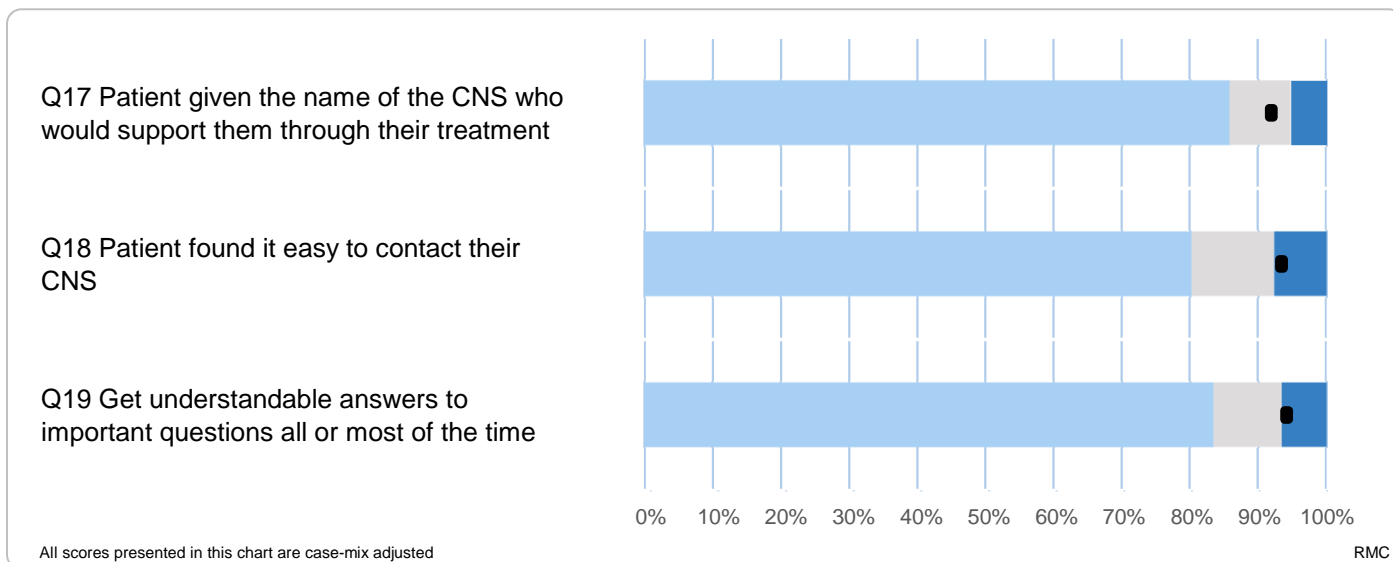
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Clinical Nurse Specialist

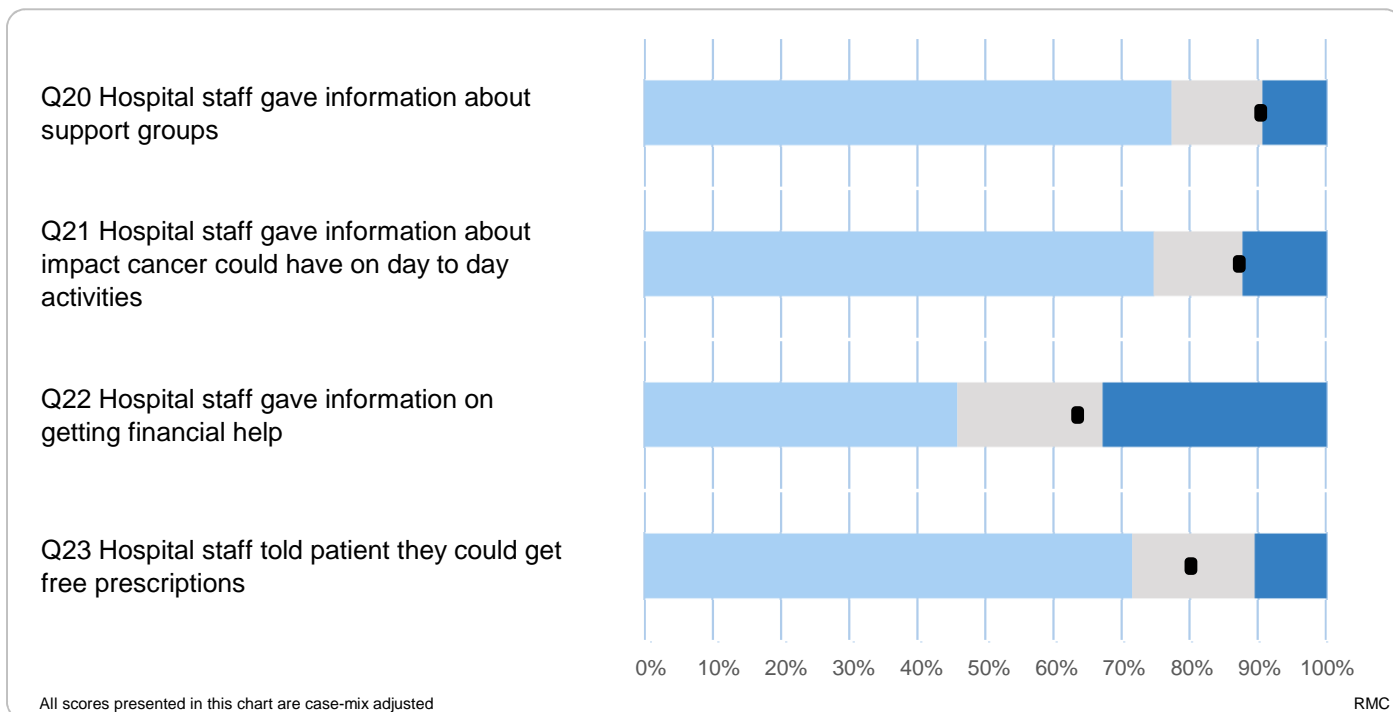


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| Q17 Patient given the name of the CNS who would support them through their treatment | 172 | 88% | 198 | 92% | | 92% | 86% | 95% | 90% |
| Q18 Patient found it easy to contact their CNS | 136 | 96% | 159 | 94% | | 93% | 80% | 92% | 86% |
| Q19 Get understandable answers to important questions all or most of the time | 133 | 96% | 158 | 94% | | 94% | 83% | 93% | 88% |

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Support for people with cancer

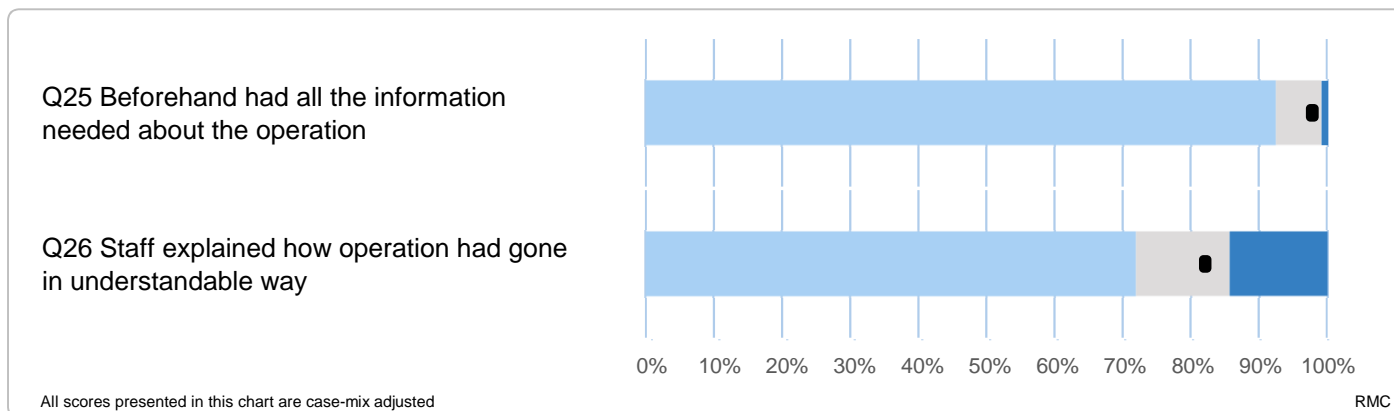


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| Q20 Hospital staff gave information about support groups | 117 | 85% | 165 | 91% | | 90% | 77% | 91% | 84% |
| Q21 Hospital staff gave information about impact cancer could have on day to day activities | 115 | 84% | 145 | 88% | | 87% | 75% | 88% | 81% |
| Q22 Hospital staff gave information on getting financial help | 94 | 64% | 105 | 63% | | 63% | 46% | 67% | 56% |
| Q23 Hospital staff told patient they could get free prescriptions | 87 | 82% | 75 | 81% | | 80% | 72% | 89% | 80% |

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Operations

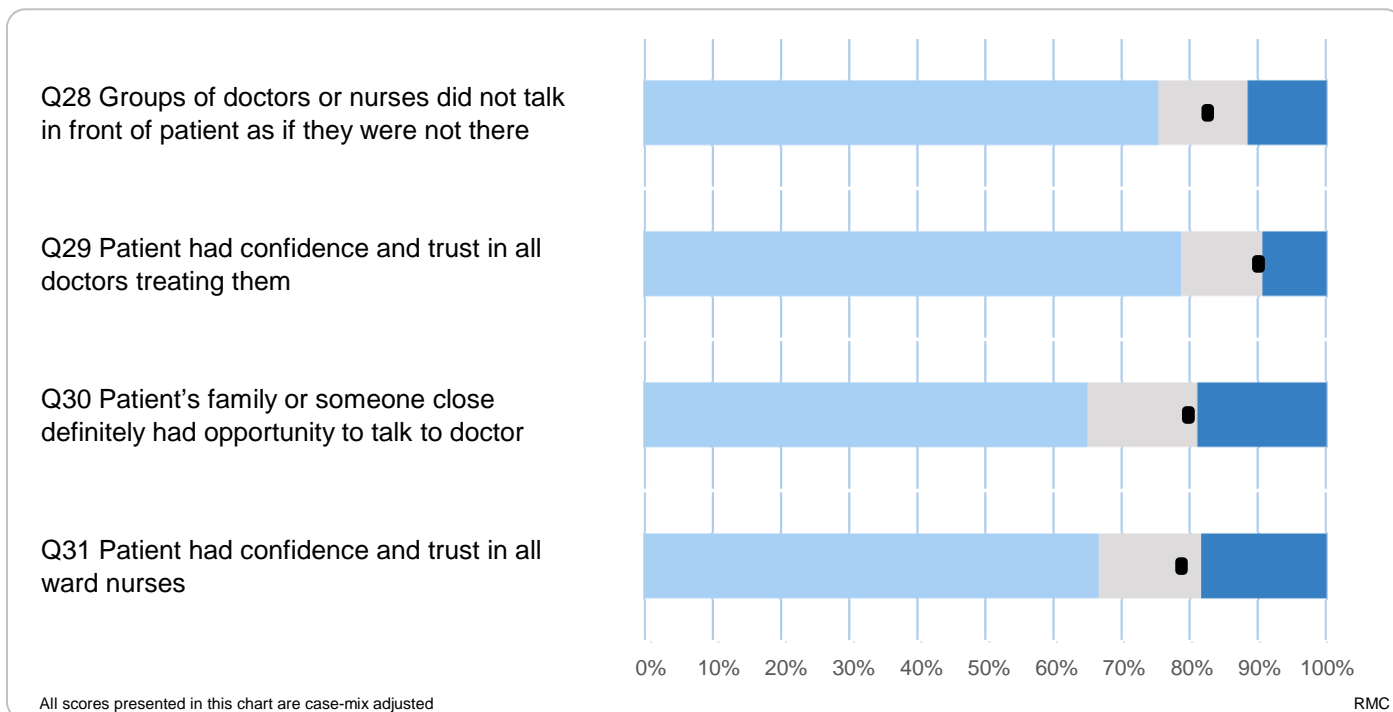


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| Q25 | - | - | 139 | 98% | | 98% | 92% | 99% | 96% |
| Q26 | 116 | 89% | 138 | 83% | | 82% | 72% | 86% | 79% |

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Hospital care as an inpatient (Part 1 of 3)

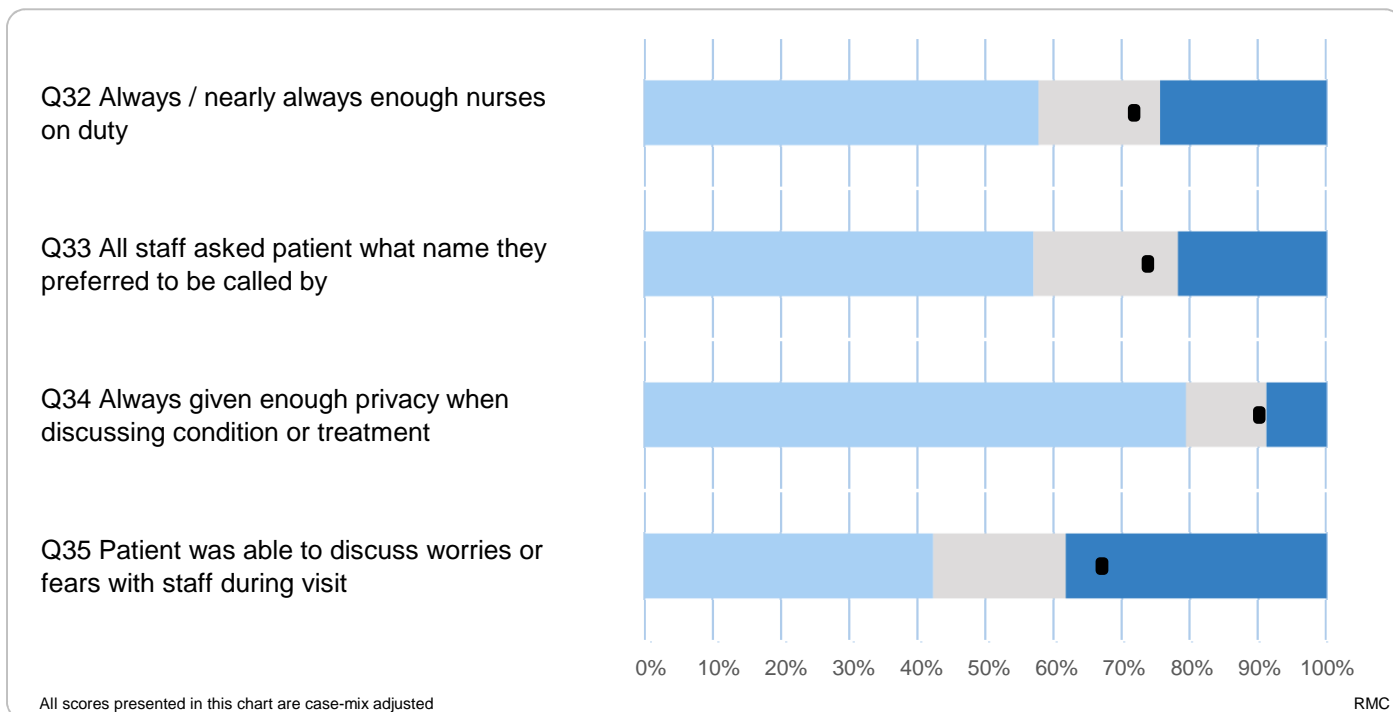


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| Q28 Groups of doctors or nurses did not talk in front of patient as if they were not there | 135 | 83% | 139 | 83% | | 82% | 75% | 88% | 82% |
| Q29 Patient had confidence and trust in all doctors treating them | 134 | 87% | 140 | 91% | | 90% | 79% | 91% | 85% |
| Q30 Patient's family or someone close definitely had opportunity to talk to doctor | 114 | 76% | 116 | 82% | | 80% | 65% | 81% | 73% |
| Q31 Patient had confidence and trust in all ward nurses | 135 | 77% | 139 | 81% | | 79% | 67% | 82% | 74% |

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Hospital care as an inpatient (Part 2 of 3)

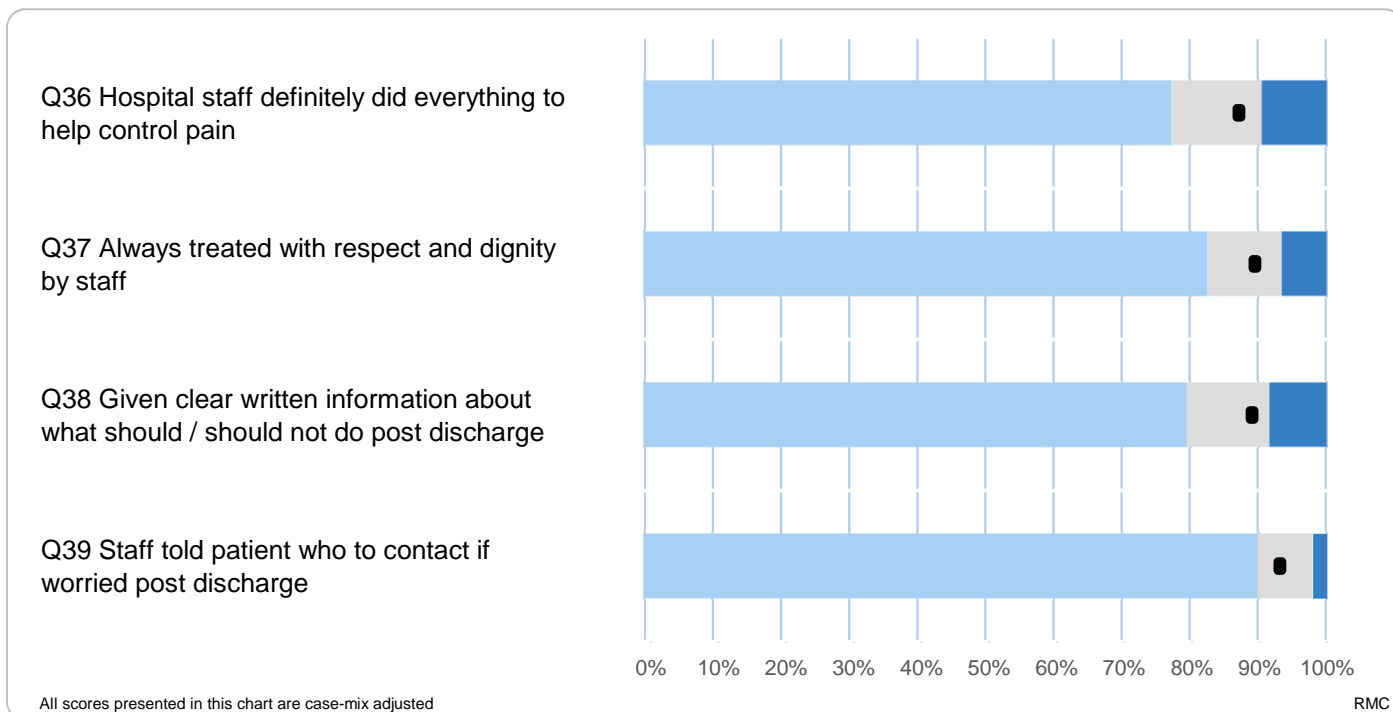


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| Q32 Always / nearly always enough nurses on duty | 134 | 75% | 138 | 75% | | 72% | 58% | 76% | 67% |
| Q33 All staff asked patient what name they preferred to be called by | 134 | 66% | 139 | 75% | | 74% | 57% | 78% | 68% |
| Q34 Always given enough privacy when discussing condition or treatment | 135 | 89% | 139 | 91% | | 90% | 79% | 91% | 85% |
| Q35 Patient was able to discuss worries or fears with staff during visit | 94 | 55% | 101 | 69% | | 67% | 42% | 62% | 52% |

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Hospital care as an inpatient (Part 3 of 3)

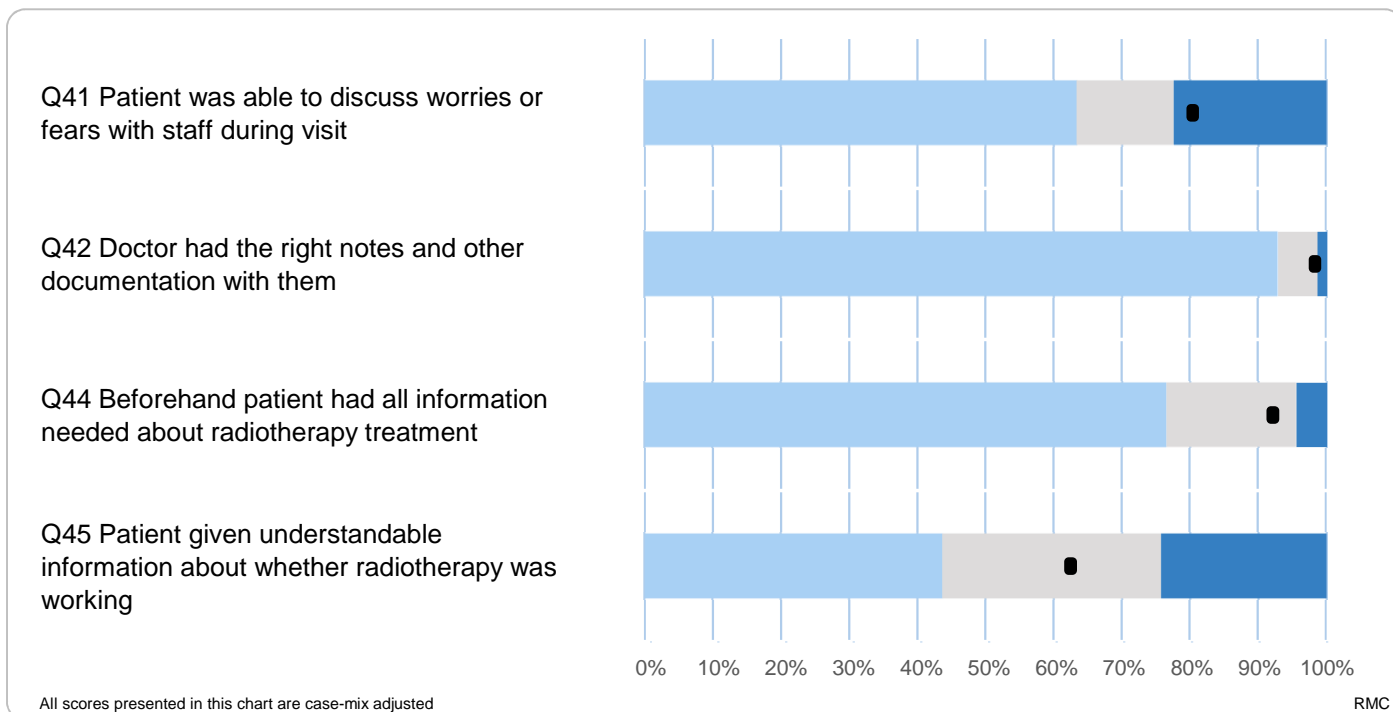


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| Q36 Hospital staff definitely did everything to help control pain | 112 | 88% | 120 | 88% | | 87% | 77% | 91% | 84% |
| Q37 Always treated with respect and dignity by staff | 136 | 90% | 139 | 91% | | 89% | 83% | 93% | 88% |
| Q38 Given clear written information about what should / should not do post discharge | 126 | 90% | 133 | 91% | | 89% | 80% | 92% | 86% |
| Q39 Staff told patient who to contact if worried post discharge | 132 | 95% | 137 | 94% | | 93% | 90% | 98% | 94% |

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

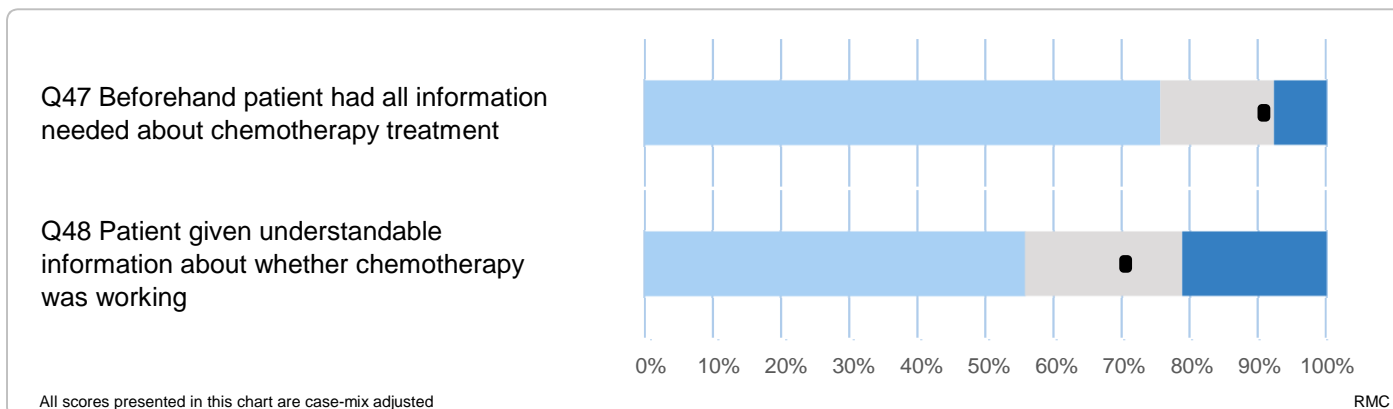


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| Q41 Patient was able to discuss worries or fears with staff during visit | 136 | 78% | 162 | 81% | | 80% | 63% | 78% | 70% |
| Q42 Doctor had the right notes and other documentation with them | 155 | 97% | 188 | 98% | | 98% | 93% | 99% | 96% |
| Q44 Beforehand patient had all information needed about radiotherapy treatment | 32 | 91% | 51 | 92% | | 92% | 77% | 96% | 86% |
| Q45 Patient given understandable information about whether radiotherapy was working | 27 | 70% | 36 | 64% | | 62% | 44% | 76% | 60% |

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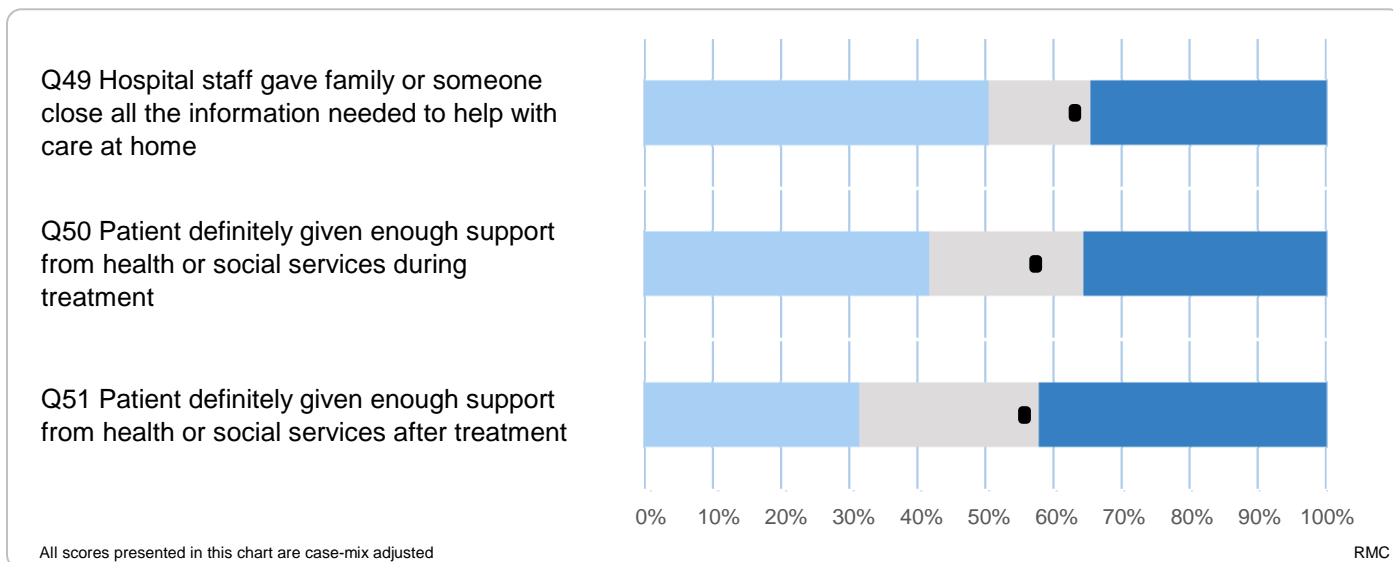


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| Q47 | Beforehand patient had all information needed about chemotherapy treatment | 71 | 90% | 75 | 91% | | 91% | 76% | 92% | 84% |
| Q48 | Patient given understandable information about whether chemotherapy was working | 59 | 86% | 64 | 72% | | 70% | 56% | 79% | 67% |

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Home care and support

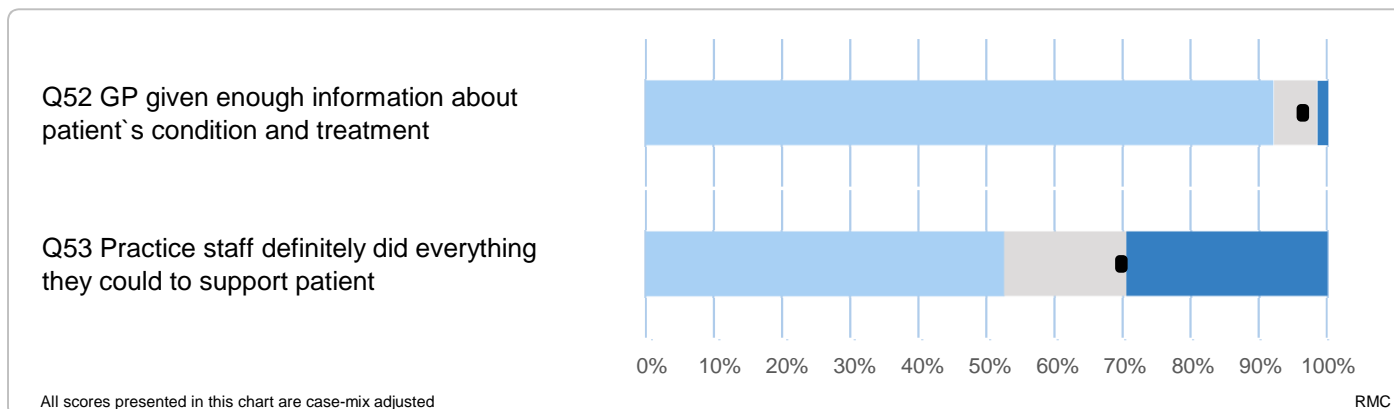


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| Q49 Hospital staff gave family or someone close all the information needed to help with care at home | 147 | 61% | 170 | 65% | | 63% | 51% | 65% | 58% |
| Q50 Patient definitely given enough support from health or social services during treatment | 111 | 67% | 109 | 59% | | 57% | 42% | 64% | 53% |
| Q51 Patient definitely given enough support from health or social services after treatment | 58 | 60% | 63 | 57% | | 55% | 32% | 58% | 45% |

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Care from your general practice

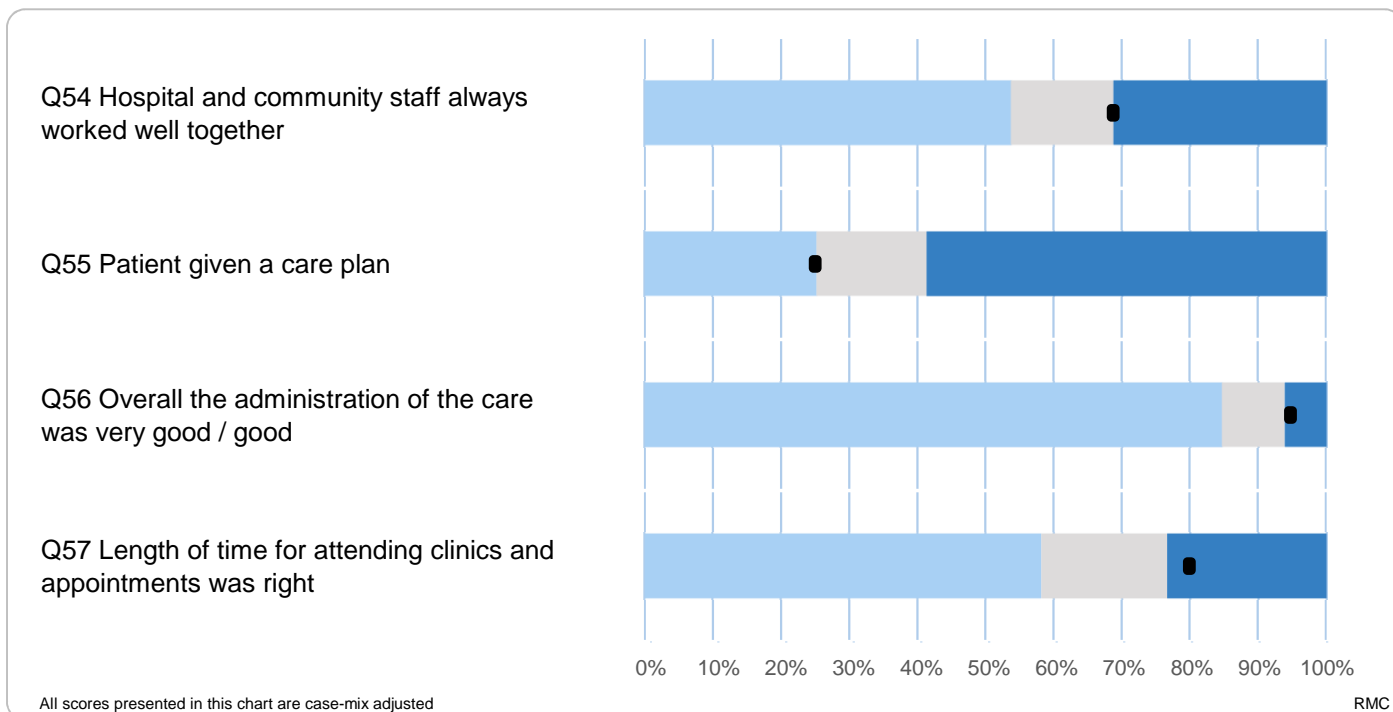


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| Q52 | GP given enough information about patient's condition and treatment | 148 | 97% | 173 | 97% | | 96% | 92% | 98% | 95% |
| Q53 | Practice staff definitely did everything they could to support patient | 117 | 62% | 137 | 69% | | 70% | 53% | 71% | 62% |

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Your overall NHS care (Part 1 of 2)

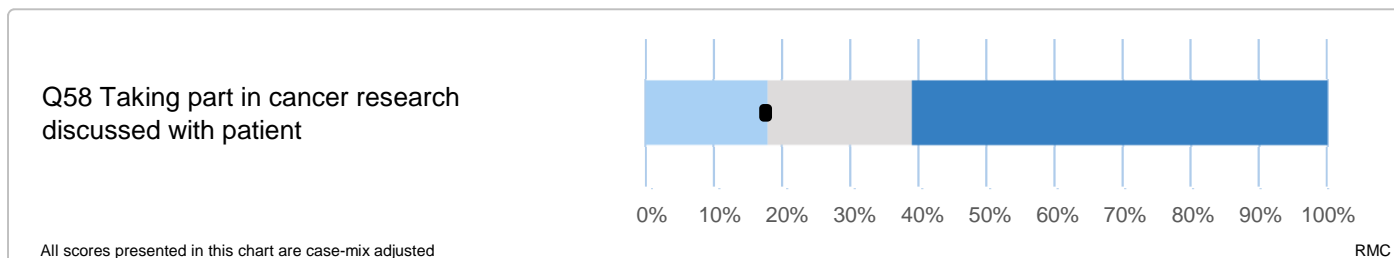


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| Number of respondents | Score | Number of respondents | Score | | | | | | |
| Q54 Hospital and community staff always worked well together | 173 | 69% | 205 | 71% | | 69% | 54% | 69% | 61% |
| Q55 Patient given a care plan | 133 | 32% | 159 | 26% | | 25% | 25% | 41% | 33% |
| Q56 Overall the administration of the care was very good / good | 178 | 91% | 213 | 95% | | 95% | 85% | 94% | 89% |
| Q57 Length of time for attending clinics and appointments was right | 179 | 72% | 212 | 81% | | 80% | 58% | 77% | 67% |

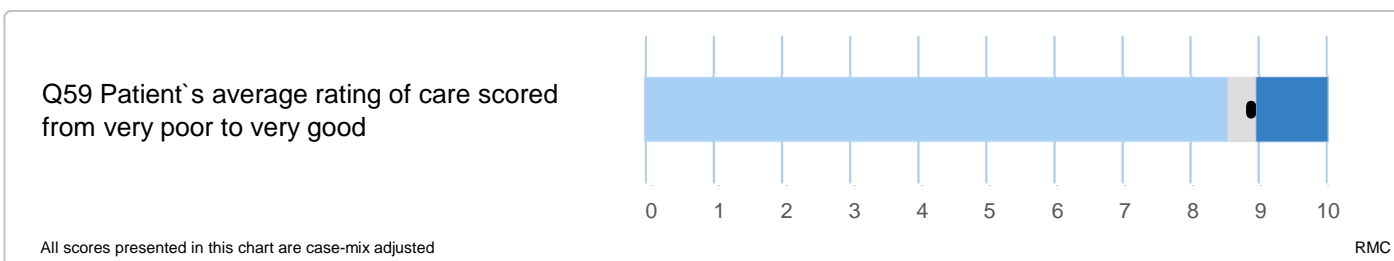
↑ or ↓ Indicates where 2016 score is significantly higher or lower than 2015 score
(NB: No arrow reflects no statistically significant change)
Where no score is displayed, no 2015 data is available
* Indicates where a score has been suppressed because there are less than 21 respondents.

Trust results

Your overall NHS care (Part 2 of 2)



| Question | | Unadjusted Scores | | | | Change from 2015 | 2016 Case Mix Adjusted | | | |
|----------|---|-----------------------|-------|-----------------------|-------|------------------|------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|
| | | 2015 | | 2016 | | | 2016 Score | Expected range - lower | Expected range - upper | National Average Score |
| | | Number of respondents | Score | Number of respondents | Score | | | | | |
| Q58 | Taking part in cancer research discussed with patient | 173 | 16% | 200 | 16% | | 17% | 18% | 39% | 29% |



| Question | | Unadjusted Scores | | | | Change from 2015 | 2016 Case Mix Adjusted | | | |
|----------|---|-----------------------|-------|-----------------------|-------|------------------|------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|
| | | 2015 | | 2016 | | | 2016 Score | Expected range - lower | Expected range - upper | National Average Score |
| | | Number of respondents | Score | Number of respondents | Score | | | | | |
| Q59 | Patient's average rating of care scored from very poor to very good | 174 | 8.8 | 210 | 9.0 | | 8.9 | 8.5 | 9.0 | 8.7 |

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

Comparisons by tumour group for this Trust

The following tables show the unadjusted Trust 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 Trust [§] | National | This Trust [§] | National |
| Brain / CNS | n.a. | 63% | n.a. | 79% |
| Breast | 100% | 94% | 96% | 90% |
| Colorectal / LGT | * | 71% | 90% | 81% |
| Gynaecological | * | 75% | * | 79% |
| Haematological | 76% | 65% | 92% | 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% | 87% | 85% |
| Other | * | 72% | * | 79% |
| All Cancers | 81% | 77% | 93% | 83% |

[§] 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 Trust [§] | National | This Trust [§] | National | This Trust [§] | National |
| Brain / CNS | n.a. | 90% | n.a. | 81% | n.a. | 70% |
| Breast | 88% | 95% | 93% | 92% | 85% | 82% |
| Colorectal / LGT | 90% | 95% | 86% | 87% | 76% | 80% |
| Gynaecological | * | 93% | * | 85% | * | 75% |
| Haematological | 95% | 94% | 97% | 89% | 81% | 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 | 100% | 94% | 87% | 87% | 82% | 79% |
| Other | * | 95% | * | 86% | * | 76% |
| All Cancers | 93% | 94% | 92% | 87% | 84% | 79% |

[§] 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 Trust [§] | National | This Trust [§] | National | This Trust [§] | National | This Trust [§] | National |
| Brain / CNS | n.a. | 83% | n.a. | 73% | n.a. | 63% | n.a. | 63% |
| Breast | 92% | 82% | 93% | 88% | 84% | 78% | 85% | 77% |
| Colorectal / LGT | 79% | 80% | 90% | 86% | 84% | 78% | 75% | 71% |
| Gynaecological | * | 71% | * | 82% | * | 72% | * | 69% |
| Haematological | 83% | 71% | 90% | 83% | 71% | 60% | 87% | 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 | 95% | 72% | 91% | 83% | 82% | 77% | * | 72% |
| Other | * | 74% | * | 82% | * | 70% | * | 62% |
| All Cancers | 88% | 76% | 92% | 84% | 81% | 73% | 84% | 72% |

[§] 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 Trust [§] | National | This Trust [§] | National | This Trust [§] | National |
| Brain / CNS | n.a. | 78% | n.a. | 72% | n.a. | 61% |
| Breast | 97% | 84% | 89% | 75% | 84% | 69% |
| Colorectal / LGT | 87% | 85% | 78% | 75% | 69% | 68% |
| Gynaecological | * | 84% | * | 74% | * | 66% |
| Haematological | 87% | 81% | 64% | 69% | 66% | 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% | 77% | 72% | 57% | 62% |
| Other | * | 79% | * | 70% | * | 63% |
| All Cancers | 93% | 83% | 79% | 72% | 73% | 66% |

| Cancer type | Q15. Patient definitely told about side effects that could affect them in the future | | Q16. Patient definitely involved in decisions about care and treatment | |
|--------------------|--|------------|--|------------|
| | This Trust [§] | National | This Trust [§] | National |
| Brain / CNS | n.a. | 55% | n.a. | 73% |
| Breast | 72% | 56% | 90% | 79% |
| Colorectal / LGT | 57% | 56% | 84% | 79% |
| Gynaecological | * | 52% | * | 77% |
| Haematological | 56% | 49% | 79% | 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% | 74% | 77% |
| Other | * | 50% | * | 74% |
| All Cancers | 69% | 54% | 86% | 78% |

[§] 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 Trust [§] | National | This Trust [§] | National | This Trust [§] | National |
| Brain / CNS | n.a. | 95% | n.a. | 82% | n.a. | 83% |
| Breast | 99% | 94% | 93% | 86% | 100% | 89% |
| Colorectal / LGT | 90% | 91% | 96% | 88% | 95% | 89% |
| Gynaecological | * | 94% | * | 84% | * | 87% |
| Haematological | 96% | 90% | 98% | 88% | 90% | 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 | * | 87% | * | 85% | * | 86% |
| All Cancers | 92% | 90% | 94% | 86% | 94% | 88% |

[§] 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 Trust [§] | National | This Trust [§] | National | This Trust [§] | National | This Trust [§] | National |
| Brain / CNS | n.a. | 84% | n.a. | 81% | n.a. | 67% | n.a. | 71% |
| Breast | 98% | 89% | 94% | 85% | 70% | 62% | 85% | 80% |
| Colorectal / LGT | 88% | 84% | 76% | 82% | * | 54% | * | 82% |
| Gynaecological | * | 83% | * | 79% | * | 58% | * | 77% |
| Haematological | 82% | 83% | 93% | 82% | * | 58% | * | 86% |
| Head and Neck | * | 83% | * | 80% | n.a. | 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 | n.a. | 86% | n.a. | 82% | n.a. | 52% | n.a. | 62% |
| Upper Gastro | * | 83% | * | 80% | * | 60% | * | 84% |
| Urological | * | 74% | * | 72% | * | 35% | * | 67% |
| Other | * | 80% | * | 77% | * | 55% | * | 80% |
| All Cancers | 91% | 84% | 88% | 81% | 63% | 56% | 81% | 80% |

[§] 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 Trust [§] | National | This Trust [§] | National |
| Brain / CNS | n.a. | 93% | n.a. | 68% |
| Breast | 97% | 97% | 87% | 78% |
| Colorectal / LGT | 96% | 96% | 81% | 83% |
| Gynaecological | * | 96% | * | 79% |
| Haematological | * | 93% | * | 75% |
| Head and Neck | * | 94% | n.a. | 78% |
| Lung | * | 97% | * | 79% |
| Prostate | n.a. | 96% | n.a. | 77% |
| Sarcoma | n.a. | 93% | n.a. | 80% |
| Skin | * | 96% | * | 83% |
| Upper Gastro | * | 96% | * | 79% |
| Urological | * | 95% | * | 77% |
| Other | * | 95% | * | 78% |
| All Cancers | 98% | 96% | 83% | 79% |

[§] 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 Trust [§] | National | This Trust [§] | National | This Trust [§] | National | This Trust [§] | National |
| Brain / CNS | n.a. | 74% | n.a. | 79% | n.a. | 61% | n.a. | 66% |
| Breast | 90% | 89% | 92% | 86% | 89% | 76% | 84% | 76% |
| Colorectal / LGT | 68% | 76% | 84% | 85% | * | 72% | 76% | 70% |
| Gynaecological | * | 85% | * | 85% | * | 72% | * | 71% |
| Haematological | * | 81% | * | 81% | * | 73% | * | 74% |
| Head and Neck | n.a. | 79% | n.a. | 84% | n.a. | 74% | n.a. | 72% |
| Lung | * | 77% | * | 82% | * | 73% | * | 75% |
| Prostate | * | 85% | * | 88% | n.a. | 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 | 73% | 80% | 91% | 86% | * | 71% | 86% | 77% |
| Other | * | 79% | * | 81% | * | 70% | * | 71% |
| All Cancers | 83% | 82% | 91% | 85% | 82% | 73% | 81% | 74% |

| | Q32. Always / nearly always enough nurses on duty | | Q33. All staff asked patient what name they preferred to be called by | | Q34. Always given enough privacy when discussing condition or treatment | | Q35. Patient was able to discuss worries or fears with staff during visit | |
|--------------------|---|------------|---|------------|---|------------|---|------------|
| Cancer type | This Trust [§] | National | This Trust [§] | National | This Trust [§] | National | This Trust [§] | National |
| Brain / CNS | n.a. | 59% | n.a. | 65% | n.a. | 76% | n.a. | 38% |
| Breast | 81% | 71% | 73% | 61% | 94% | 86% | 73% | 54% |
| Colorectal / LGT | 75% | 62% | 80% | 70% | 88% | 84% | * | 53% |
| Gynaecological | * | 66% | * | 65% | * | 83% | * | 50% |
| Haematological | * | 62% | * | 70% | * | 86% | * | 56% |
| Head and Neck | n.a. | 65% | n.a. | 69% | n.a. | 86% | n.a. | 54% |
| Lung | * | 70% | * | 72% | * | 83% | * | 50% |
| Prostate | * | 73% | * | 68% | * | 89% | n.a. | 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 | 55% | 68% | 64% | 72% | 95% | 87% | * | 47% |
| Other | * | 62% | * | 68% | * | 83% | * | 47% |
| All Cancers | 75% | 67% | 75% | 68% | 91% | 85% | 69% | 52% |

[§] 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 Trust [§] | National | This Trust [§] | National | This Trust [§] | National | This Trust [§] | National |
| Brain / CNS | n.a. | 79% | n.a. | 79% | n.a. | 76% | n.a. | 91% |
| Breast | 91% | 86% | 95% | 88% | 97% | 91% | 100% | 96% |
| Colorectal / LGT | 87% | 84% | 80% | 87% | 88% | 84% | 92% | 94% |
| Gynaecological | * | 83% | * | 87% | * | 87% | * | 94% |
| Haematological | * | 83% | * | 89% | * | 80% | * | 95% |
| Head and Neck | n.a. | 81% | n.a. | 87% | n.a. | 85% | n.a. | 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 | 81% | 82% | 91% | 89% | 86% | 86% | 91% | 91% |
| Other | * | 82% | * | 86% | * | 81% | * | 93% |
| All Cancers | 88% | 84% | 91% | 88% | 91% | 86% | 94% | 94% |

[§] These are unadjusted scores

Hospital care as a day patient / outpatient

| | 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 | |
|--------------------|---|------------|---|------------|---|------------|--|------------|
| Cancer type | This Trust [§] | National | This Trust [§] | National | This Trust [§] | National | This Trust [§] | National |
| Brain / CNS | n.a. | 63% | n.a. | 95% | n.a. | 86% | n.a. | 58% |
| Breast | 82% | 70% | 99% | 96% | 96% | 88% | * | 60% |
| Colorectal / LGT | * | 72% | 100% | 96% | * | 86% | * | 58% |
| Gynaecological | * | 68% | * | 95% | * | 85% | * | 62% |
| Haematological | 78% | 74% | 100% | 97% | * | 84% | * | 64% |
| Head and Neck | * | 71% | * | 96% | n.a. | 84% | n.a. | 61% |
| Lung | * | 70% | * | 95% | * | 85% | * | 58% |
| Prostate | * | 72% | * | 96% | * | 89% | n.a. | 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% | 95% | 96% | * | 81% | * | 56% |
| Other | * | 67% | * | 95% | * | 83% | * | 58% |
| All Cancers | 81% | 70% | 98% | 96% | 92% | 86% | 64% | 60% |

| | Q47. Beforehand patient had all information needed about chemotherapy treatment | | Q48. Patient given understandable information about whether chemotherapy was working | |
|--------------------|---|------------|--|------------|
| Cancer type | This Trust [§] | National | This Trust [§] | National |
| Brain / CNS | n.a. | 80% | n.a. | 59% |
| Breast | * | 82% | * | 62% |
| Colorectal / LGT | * | 85% | * | 63% |
| Gynaecological | n.a. | 84% | n.a. | 66% |
| Haematological | 88% | 84% | 70% | 75% |
| Head and Neck | n.a. | 80% | n.a. | 58% |
| Lung | * | 84% | * | 68% |
| Prostate | n.a. | 84% | n.a. | 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% |
| All Cancers | 91% | 84% | 72% | 67% |

[§] 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 Trust [§] | National | This Trust [§] | National | This Trust [§] | National |
| Brain / CNS | n.a. | 49% | n.a. | 42% | n.a. | 41% |
| Breast | 69% | 57% | 57% | 53% | * | 40% |
| Colorectal / LGT | 56% | 60% | 80% | 61% | * | 51% |
| Gynaecological | * | 56% | * | 50% | * | 39% |
| Haematological | 67% | 60% | 43% | 51% | * | 44% |
| Head and Neck | n.a. | 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% |
| All Cancers | 65% | 58% | 59% | 53% | 57% | 45% |

[§] These are unadjusted scores

Care from your general practice

| Cancer type | Q52. GP given enough information about patient's condition and treatment | | Q53. Practice staff definitely did everything they could to support patient | |
|--------------------|--|------------|---|------------|
| | This Trust [§] | National | This Trust [§] | National |
| Brain / CNS | n.a. | 89% | n.a. | 51% |
| Breast | 98% | 96% | 77% | 62% |
| Colorectal / LGT | 92% | 95% | * | 62% |
| Gynaecological | * | 95% | * | 61% |
| Haematological | 95% | 96% | 59% | 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% |
| All Cancers | 97% | 95% | 69% | 62% |

[§] 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 Trust [§] | National | This Trust [§] | National | This Trust [§] | National | This Trust [§] | National |
| Brain / CNS | n.a. | 43% | n.a. | 32% | n.a. | 82% | n.a. | 61% |
| Breast | 83% | 61% | 25% | 37% | 96% | 91% | 76% | 65% |
| Colorectal / LGT | 56% | 60% | 38% | 35% | 94% | 89% | 81% | 70% |
| Gynaecological | * | 58% | * | 30% | * | 89% | * | 66% |
| Haematological | 63% | 63% | 29% | 33% | 98% | 92% | 84% | 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% | 91% | 87% | 86% | 75% |
| Other | * | 55% | * | 29% | * | 88% | * | 61% |
| All Cancers | 71% | 61% | 26% | 33% | 95% | 89% | 81% | 67% |

| Cancer type | Q58. Taking part in cancer research discussed with patient | | Q59. Patient's average rating of care scored from very poor to very good | |
|--------------------|--|------------|--|------------|
| | This Trust [§] | National | This Trust [§] | National |
| Brain / CNS | n.a. | 24% | n.a. | 8.3 |
| Breast | 14% | 28% | 9.0 | 8.8 |
| Colorectal / LGT | 7% | 26% | 9.0 | 8.7 |
| Gynaecological | * | 30% | * | 8.7 |
| Haematological | 27% | 34% | 8.9 | 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 | 0% | 15% | 8.6 | 8.7 |
| Other | * | 30% | * | 8.6 |
| All Cancers | 16% | 29% | 9.0 | 8.7 |

[§] 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

Redevelopment of the 2016 survey

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

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

Official Statistics

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

Scoring methodologies

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

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

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

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

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

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

Case-mix adjustment

As in 2015, case-mix adjusted findings are being presented alongside unadjusted results for Trusts. 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 Trust is performing given their patient population.

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

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

Statistical significance

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

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

Response Rates

| | Sample Size | Excluded | Adjusted Sample | Not Returned | Blank / Refused | Completed | Response Rate |
|----------|-------------|----------|-----------------|--------------|-----------------|-----------|---------------|
| National | 118,253 | 8,590 | 109,663 | 33,035 | 3,840 | 72,788 | 67% |
| RMC | 374 | 24 | 350 | 114 | 17 | 219 | 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 | 0 |
| Breast | 77 |
| Gynaecological | 4 |
| Colorectal / LGT | 33 |
| Lung | 5 |
| Skin | 2 |
| Haematological | 50 |
| Upper Gastro | 8 |
| Other | 11 |
| Urological | 23 |
| Prostate | 5 |
| Sarcoma | 0 |
| Head and Neck | 1 |

* 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 Trust was as follows:

| | 16-24 | 25-34 | 35-44 | 45-54 | 55-64 | 65-74 | 75-84 | 85+ | Total |
|--------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-----|-------|
| Male | 0 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 13 | 39 | 32 | 4 | 92 |
| Female | 0 | 0 | 1 | 20 | 26 | 50 | 25 | 5 | 127 |
| Total | 0 | 0 | 1 | 24 | 39 | 89 | 57 | 9 | 219 |



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