

National Cancer Patient Experience Survey

2016 Results

**East Kent Hospitals University
NHS Foundation Trust**

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The National Cancer Patient Experience Survey is
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Introduction

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

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

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

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

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

This report

The report shows how this 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 **8.4**.

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

- **75%** of respondents said that they were definitely involved as much as they wanted to be in decisions about their care and treatment
- **86%** of respondents said that they were given the name of a Clinical Nurse Specialist who would support them through their treatment
- **78%** of respondents said that it had been 'quite easy' or 'very easy' to contact their Clinical Nurse Specialist
- **84%** of respondents said that, overall, they were always treated with dignity and respect while they were in hospital
- **93%** of respondents said that hospital staff told them who to contact if they were worried about their condition or treatment after they left hospital
- **61%** 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	1,043	80%	81%	86%	83%
Diagnostic tests						
Q5	Received all the information needed about the test	928	92%	93%	96%	94%
Q6	The length of time waiting for the test to be done was about right	928	83%	85%	90%	87%
Q7	Given complete explanation of test results in understandable way	926	76%	76%	82%	79%
Finding out what was wrong with you						
Q8	Patient told they could bring a family member or friend when first told they had cancer	983	67%	71%	80%	76%
Q11	Patient given easy to understand written information about the type of cancer they had	922	68%	70%	75%	72%
Deciding the best treatment for you						
Q12	Patient felt that treatment options were completely explained	901	80%	80%	85%	83%
Q14	Patient given practical advice and support in dealing with side effects of treatment	1,003	57%	63%	69%	66%
Q15	Patient definitely told about side effects that could affect them in the future	908	49%	51%	58%	54%
Q16	Patient definitely involved in decisions about care and treatment	996	75%	75%	80%	78%
Clinical Nurse Specialist						
Q17	Patient given the name of the CNS who would support them through their treatment	987	86%	88%	93%	90%
Q18	Patient found it easy to contact their CNS	716	78%	83%	90%	86%
Q19	Get understandable answers to important questions all or most of the time	659	86%	86%	91%	88%
Support for people with cancer						
Q20	Hospital staff gave information about support groups	724	78%	80%	88%	84%
Q21	Hospital staff gave information about impact cancer could have on day to day activities	637	76%	78%	84%	81%
Q23	Hospital staff told patient they could get free prescriptions	399	73%	77%	84%	80%

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Question	Number of respondents for this Trust	2016 Case-mix Adjusted			National Average Score
		Percentage for this Trust 2016	Lower limit of expected range	Upper limit of expected range	

Operations

Q25	Beforehand had all the information needed about the operation	596	94%	94%	97%	96%
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Hospital care as an inpatient

Q30	Patient's family or someone close definitely had opportunity to talk to doctor	483	68%	69%	77%	73%
Q34	Always given enough privacy when discussing condition or treatment	600	81%	82%	88%	85%
Q35	Patient was able to discuss worries or fears with staff during visit	412	46%	47%	57%	52%
Q37	Always treated with respect and dignity by staff	607	84%	85%	91%	88%

Hospital care as a day patient / outpatient

Q41	Patient was able to discuss worries or fears with staff during visit	760	65%	67%	74%	70%
Q42	Doctor had the right notes and other documentation with them	918	93%	94%	97%	96%
Q47	Beforehand patient had all information needed about chemotherapy treatment	566	80%	81%	87%	84%
Q48	Patient given understandable information about whether chemotherapy was working	477	61%	63%	72%	67%

Home care and support

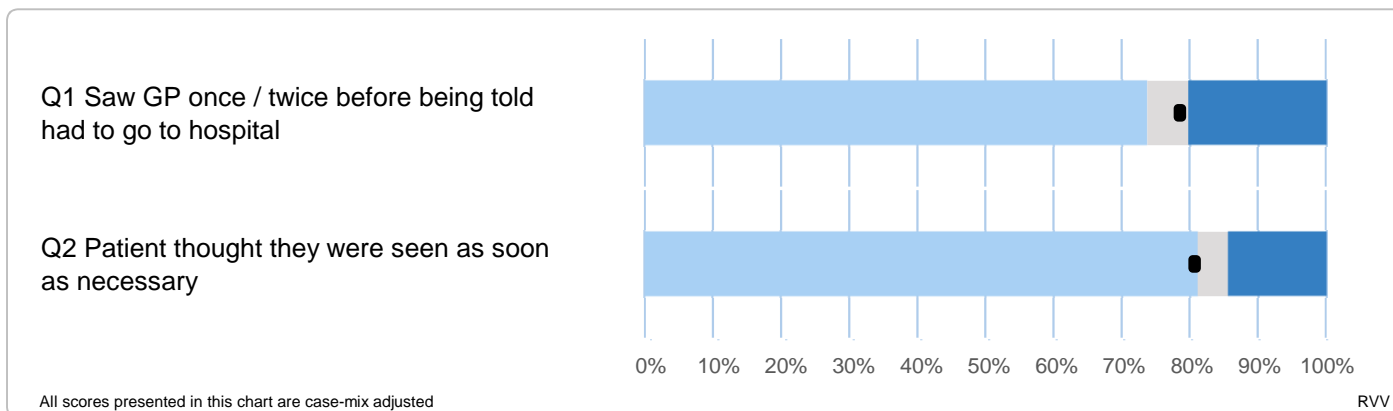
Q49	Hospital staff gave family or someone close all the information needed to help with care at home	821	53%	55%	61%	58%
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Your overall NHS care

Q56	Overall the administration of the care was very good / good	1,042	84%	87%	92%	89%
Q59	Patient's average rating of care scored from very poor to very good	1,017	8.4	8.6	8.9	8.7

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Seeing your GP

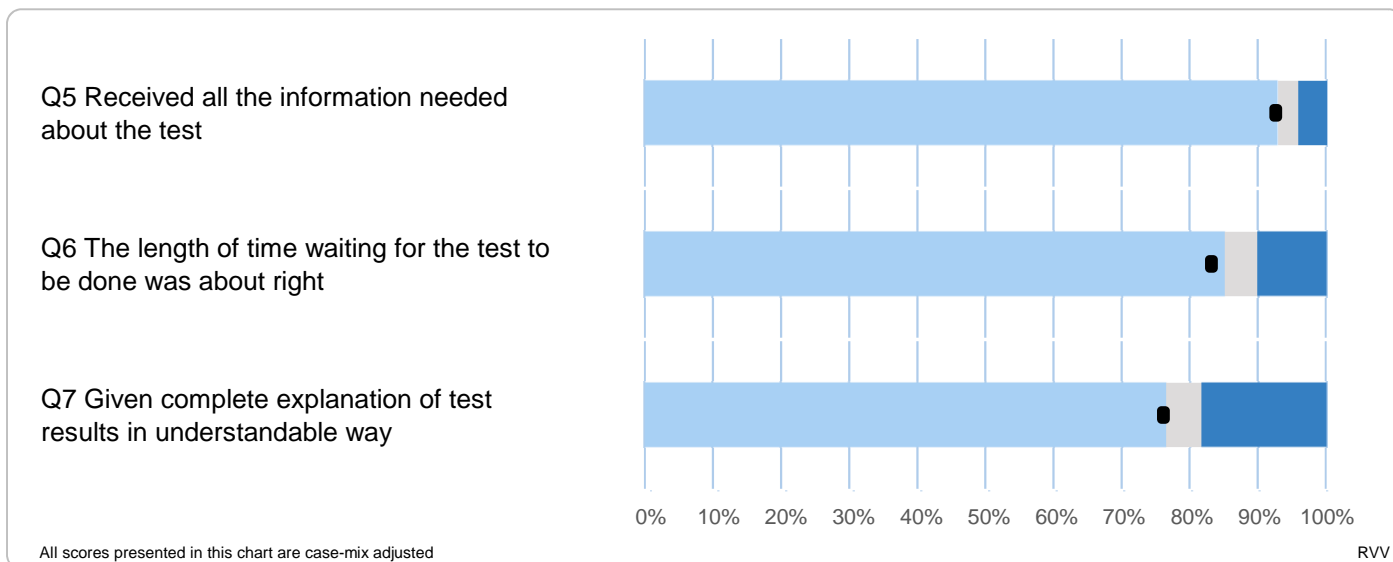


Question		Unadjusted Scores				2016 Case Mix Adjusted				
		2015		2016		2016 Score	Expected range - lower	Expected range - upper	National Average Score	
	Number of respondents	Score	Number of respondents	Score	Change from 2015					
Q1	Saw GP once / twice before being told had to go to hospital	694	77%	754	79%		78%	74%	80%	77%
Q2	Patient thought they were seen as soon as necessary	944	81%	1,043	81%		80%	81%	86%	83%

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Diagnostic Tests

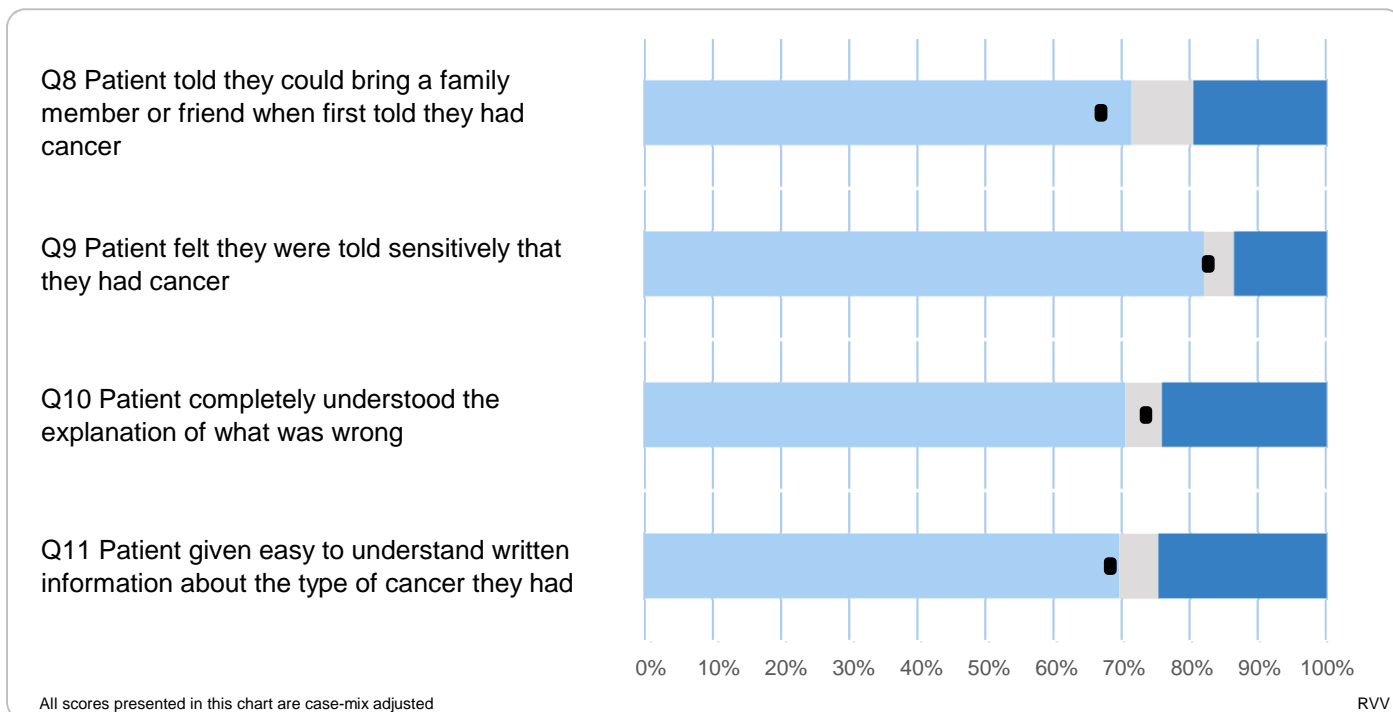


Question	Unadjusted Scores					2016 Case Mix Adjusted			
	2015		2016		Change from 2015	2016 Score	Expected range - lower	Expected range - upper	National Average Score
	Number of respondents	Score	Number of respondents	Score					
Q5 Received all the information needed about the test	-	-	928	93%		92%	93%	96%	94%
Q6 The length of time waiting for the test to be done was about right	856	82%	928	84%		83%	85%	90%	87%
Q7 Given complete explanation of test results in understandable way	863	76%	926	77%		76%	76%	82%	79%

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Finding out what was wrong with you

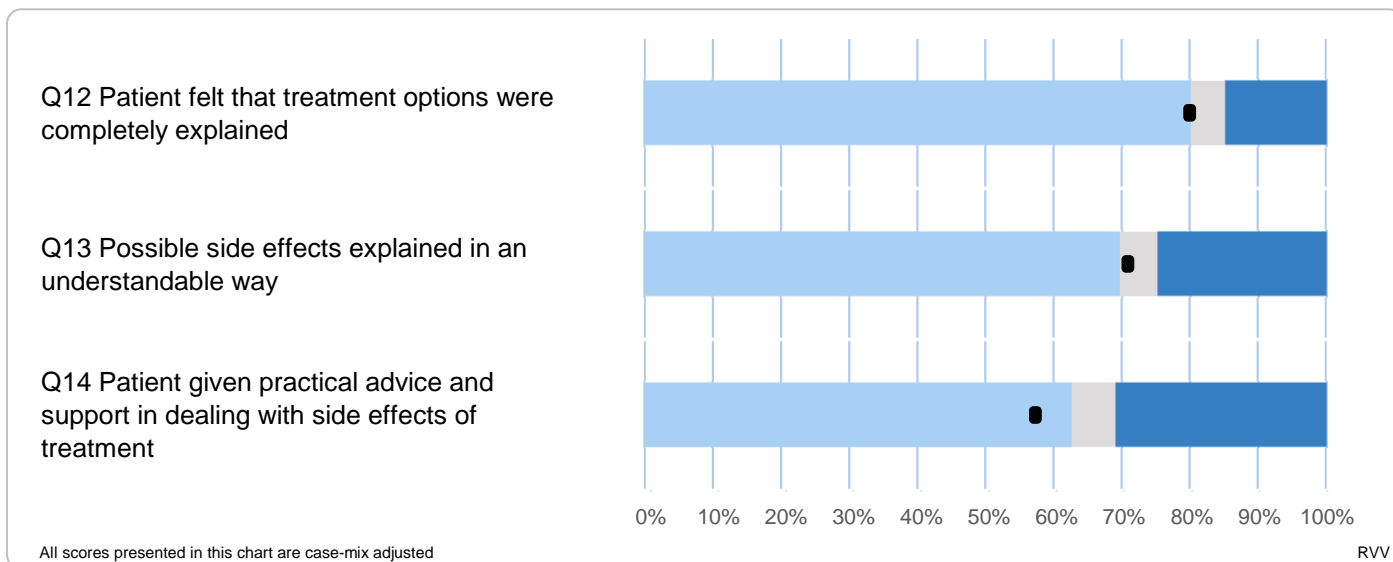


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		2015		2016			2016 Score	Expected range - lower	Expected range - upper	National Average Score
		Number of respondents	Score	Number of respondents	Score					
Q8	Patient told they could bring a family member or friend when first told they had cancer	-	-	983	67%		67%	71%	80%	76%
Q9	Patient felt they were told sensitively that they had cancer	943	81%	1,041	83%		82%	82%	86%	84%
Q10	Patient completely understood the explanation of what was wrong	951	72%	1,053	74%		73%	71%	76%	73%
Q11	Patient given easy to understand written information about the type of cancer they had	832	67%	922	68%		68%	70%	75%	72%

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

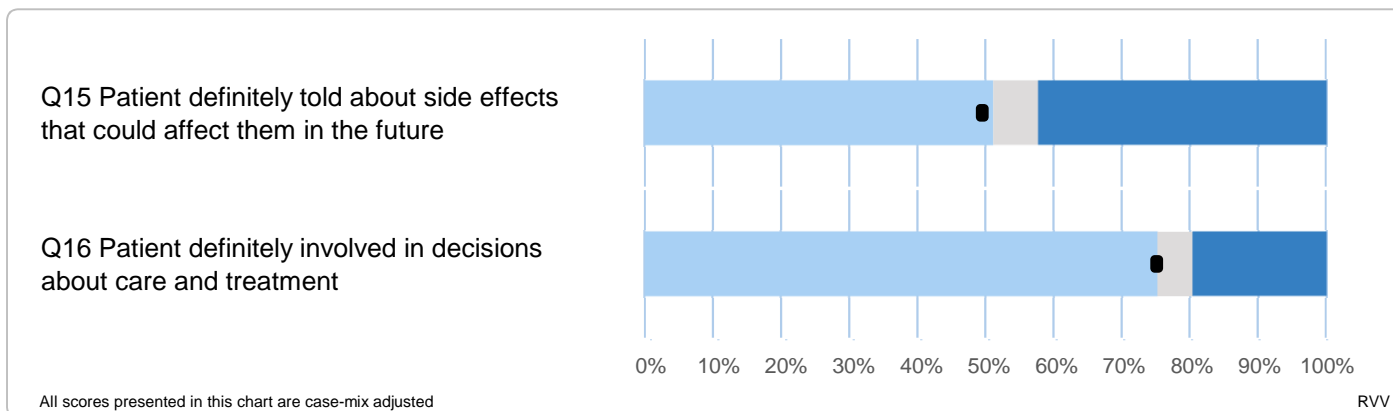


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	2015	2016		Change from 2015	2016 Score	Expected range - lower	Expected range - upper	National Average Score	
Number of respondents	Score	Number of respondents	Score						
Q12 Patient felt that treatment options were completely explained	816	81%	901	80%		80%	85%	83%	
Q13 Possible side effects explained in an understandable way	912	71%	1,001	71%		70%	75%	72%	
Q14 Patient given practical advice and support in dealing with side effects of treatment	906	59%	1,003	57%		63%	69%	66%	

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Trust results

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



Question	Unadjusted Scores					2016 Case Mix Adjusted			
	2015		2016		Change from 2015	2016 Score	Expected range - lower	Expected range - upper	National Average Score
Number of respondents	Score	Number of respondents	Score						
Q15 Patient definitely told about side effects that could affect them in the future	847	52%	908	49%		49%	51%	58%	54%
Q16 Patient definitely involved in decisions about care and treatment	912	76%	996	75%		75%	75%	80%	78%

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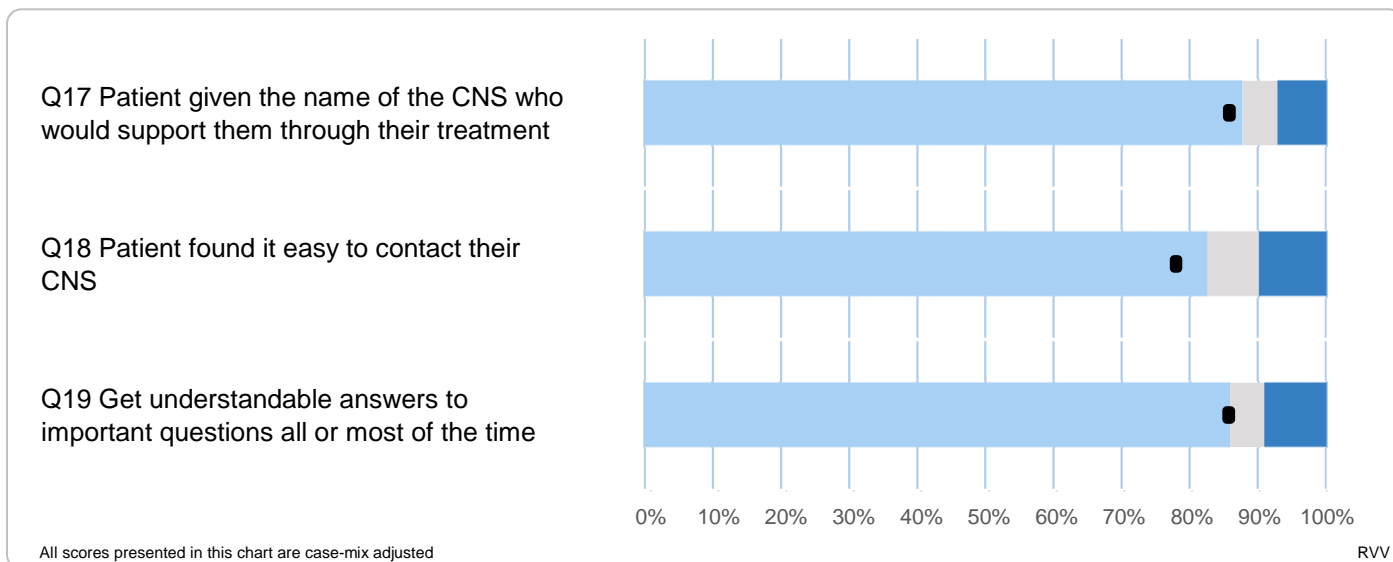
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Clinical Nurse Specialist

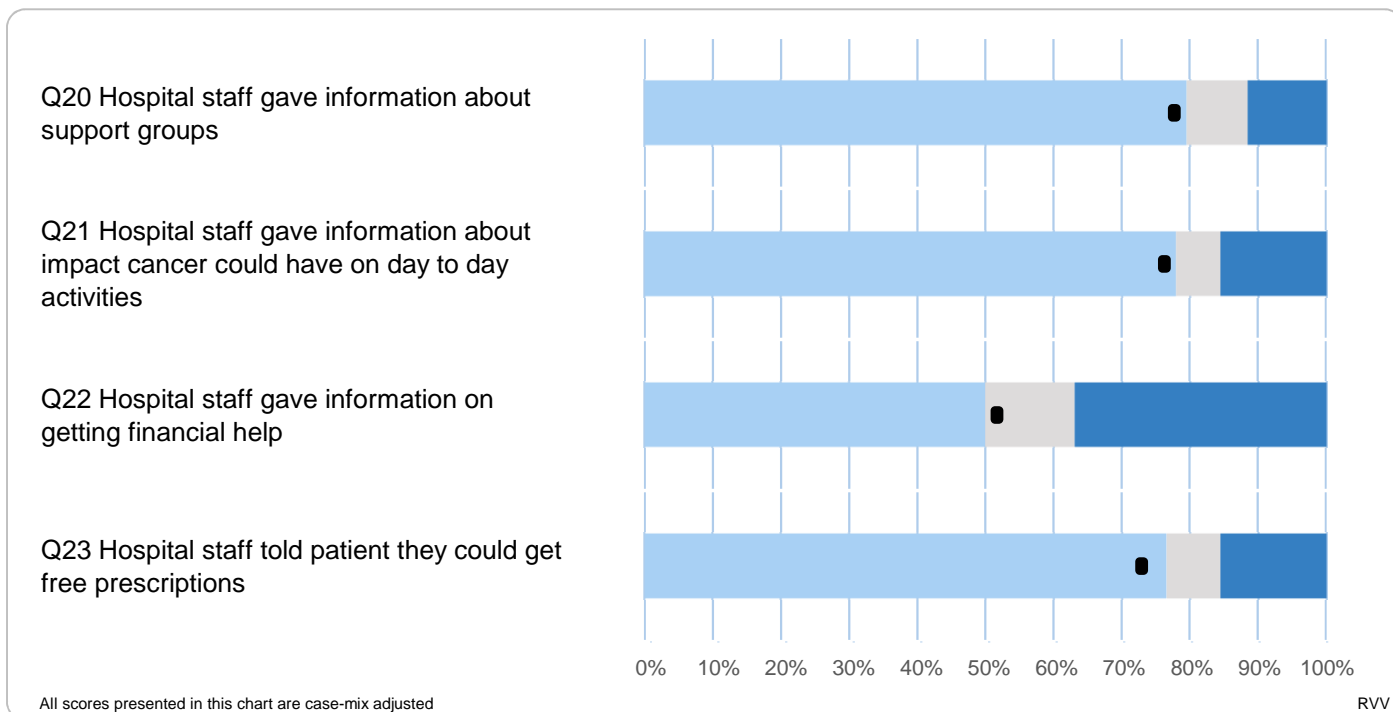


Question	Unadjusted Scores					2016 Case Mix Adjusted			
	2015		2016		Change from 2015	2016 Score	Expected range - lower	Expected range - upper	National Average Score
Number of respondents	Score	Number of respondents	Score						
Q17 Patient given the name of the CNS who would support them through their treatment	913	86%	987	85%		86%	88%	93%	90%
Q18 Patient found it easy to contact their CNS	677	81%	716	78%		78%	83%	90%	86%
Q19 Get understandable answers to important questions all or most of the time	639	85%	659	86%		86%	86%	91%	88%

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Support for people with cancer

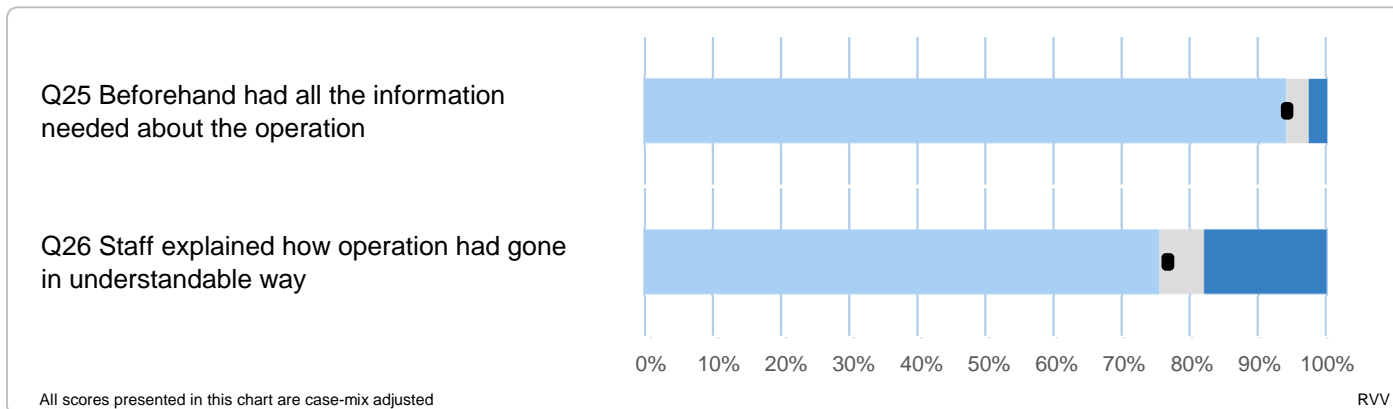


Question	Unadjusted Scores					2016 Case Mix Adjusted			
	2015	2016	2016		Change from 2015	2016 Score	Expected range - lower	Expected range - upper	National Average Score
Number of respondents	Score	Number of respondents	Score						
Q20 Hospital staff gave information about support groups	676	77%	724	77%		78%	80%	88%	84%
Q21 Hospital staff gave information about impact cancer could have on day to day activities	601	77%	637	76%		76%	78%	84%	81%
Q22 Hospital staff gave information on getting financial help	514	47%	483	51%		51%	50%	63%	56%
Q23 Hospital staff told patient they could get free prescriptions	404	72%	399	72%		73%	77%	84%	80%

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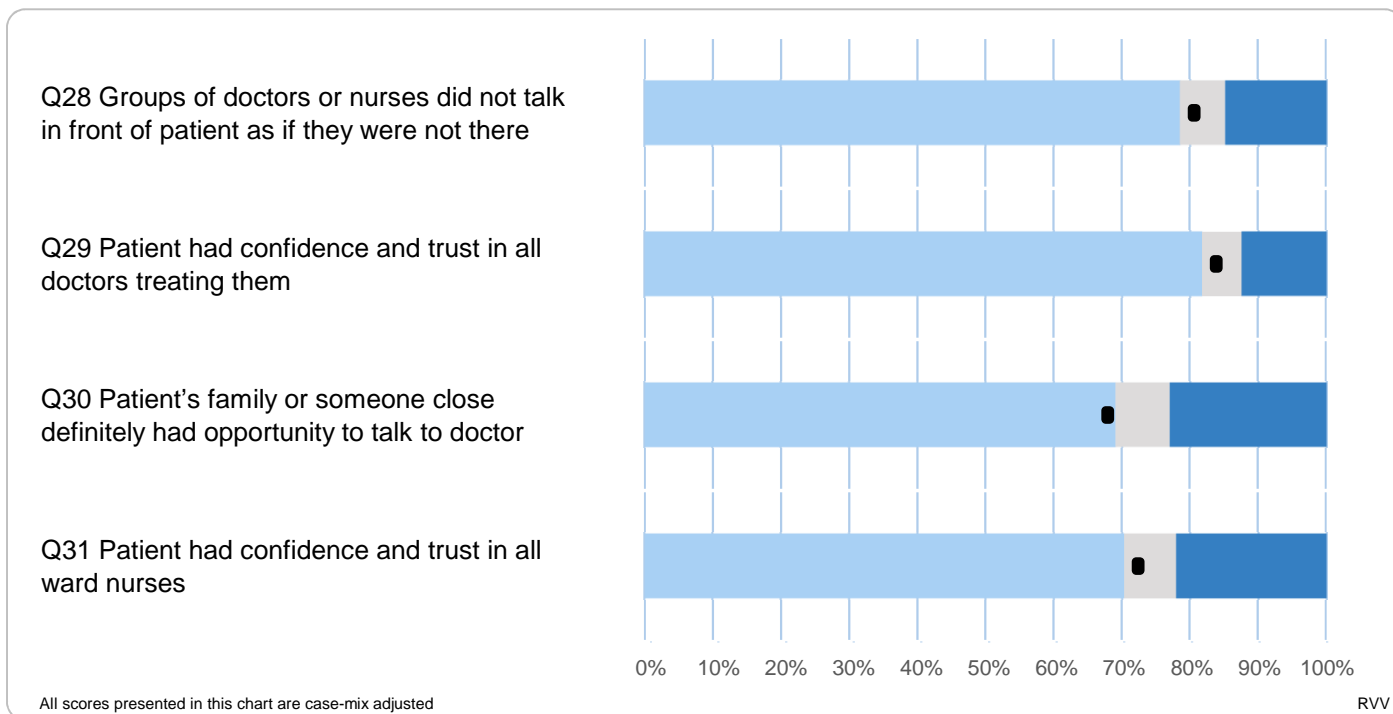


Question	Unadjusted Scores					2016 Case Mix Adjusted			
	2015		2016		Change from 2015	2016 Score	Expected range - lower	Expected range - upper	National Average Score
	Number of respondents	Score	Number of respondents	Score					
Q25 Beforehand had all the information needed about the operation	-	-	596	94%		94%	94%	97%	96%
Q26 Staff explained how operation had gone in understandable way	532	76%	594	77%		77%	75%	82%	79%

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Hospital care as an inpatient (Part 1 of 3)

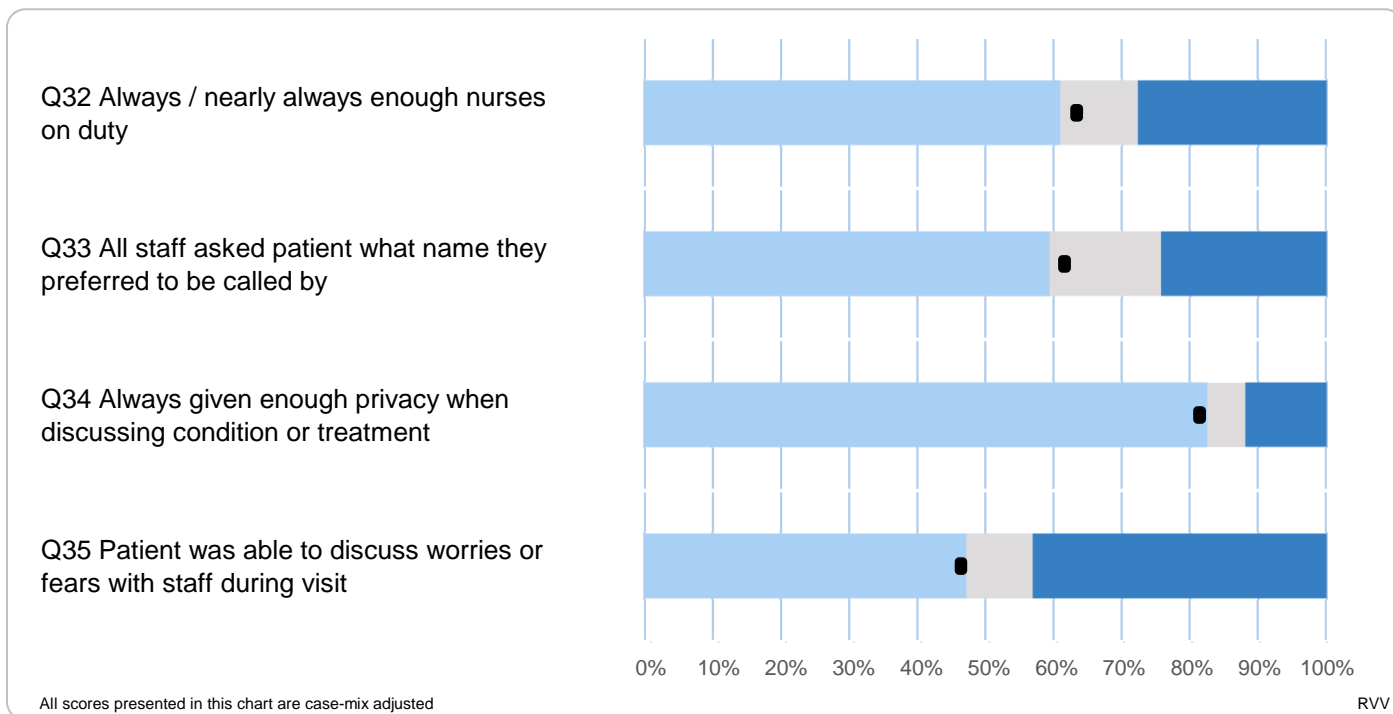


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	2015	2016		Change from 2015	2016 Score	Expected range - lower	Expected range - upper	National Average Score	
Number of respondents	Score	Number of respondents	Score						
Q28 Groups of doctors or nurses did not talk in front of patient as if they were not there	581	80%	603	81%	80%	79%	85%	82%	
Q29 Patient had confidence and trust in all doctors treating them	580	80%	603	85%	84%	82%	88%	85%	
Q30 Patient's family or someone close definitely had opportunity to talk to doctor	481	71%	483	69%	68%	69%	77%	73%	
Q31 Patient had confidence and trust in all ward nurses	584	72%	604	74%	72%	70%	78%	74%	

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Hospital care as an inpatient (Part 2 of 3)

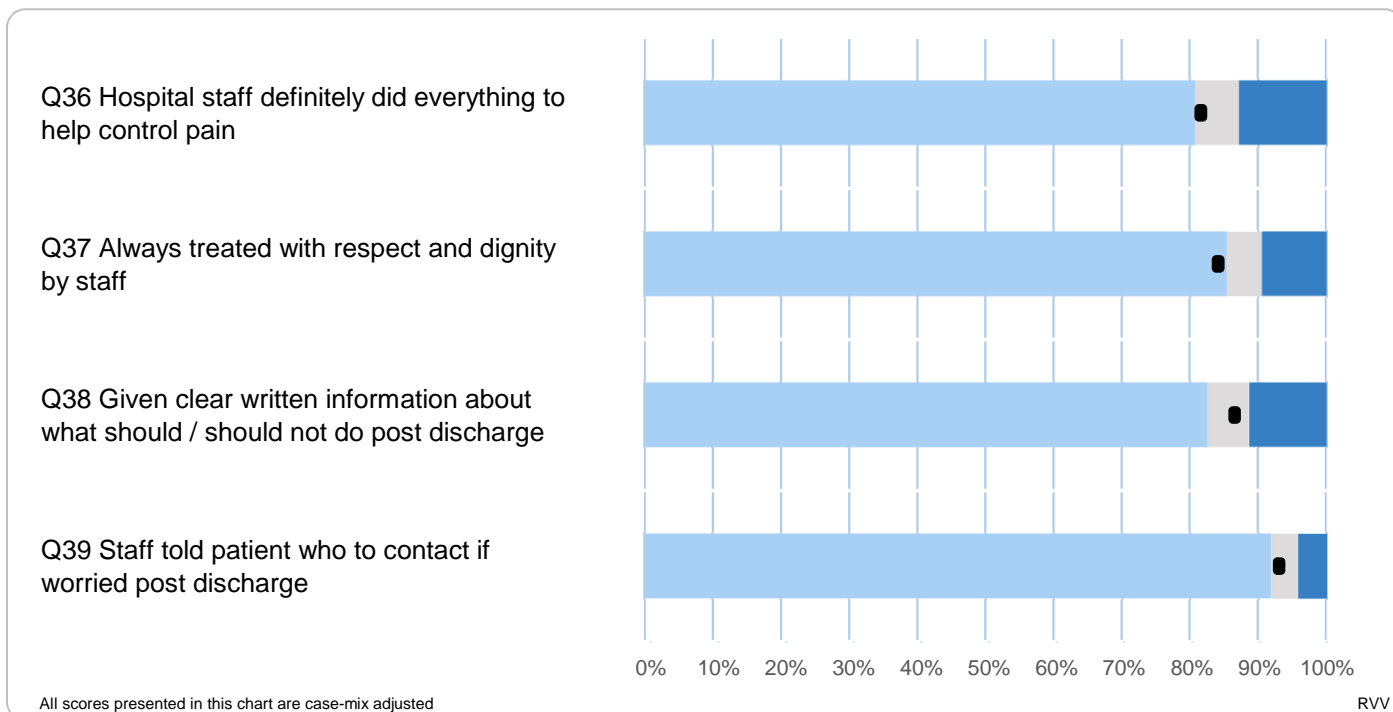


Question	Unadjusted Scores					2016 Case Mix Adjusted			
	2015	2016		Change from 2015	2016 Score	Expected range - lower	Expected range - upper	National Average Score	
Number of respondents	Score	Number of respondents	Score						
Q32 Always / nearly always enough nurses on duty	582	63%	597	65%	63%	61%	72%	67%	
Q33 All staff asked patient what name they preferred to be called by	580	60%	594	63%	61%	59%	76%	68%	
Q34 Always given enough privacy when discussing condition or treatment	581	81%	600	83%	81%	82%	88%	85%	
Q35 Patient was able to discuss worries or fears with staff during visit	389	46%	412	47%	46%	47%	57%	52%	

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Hospital care as an inpatient (Part 3 of 3)

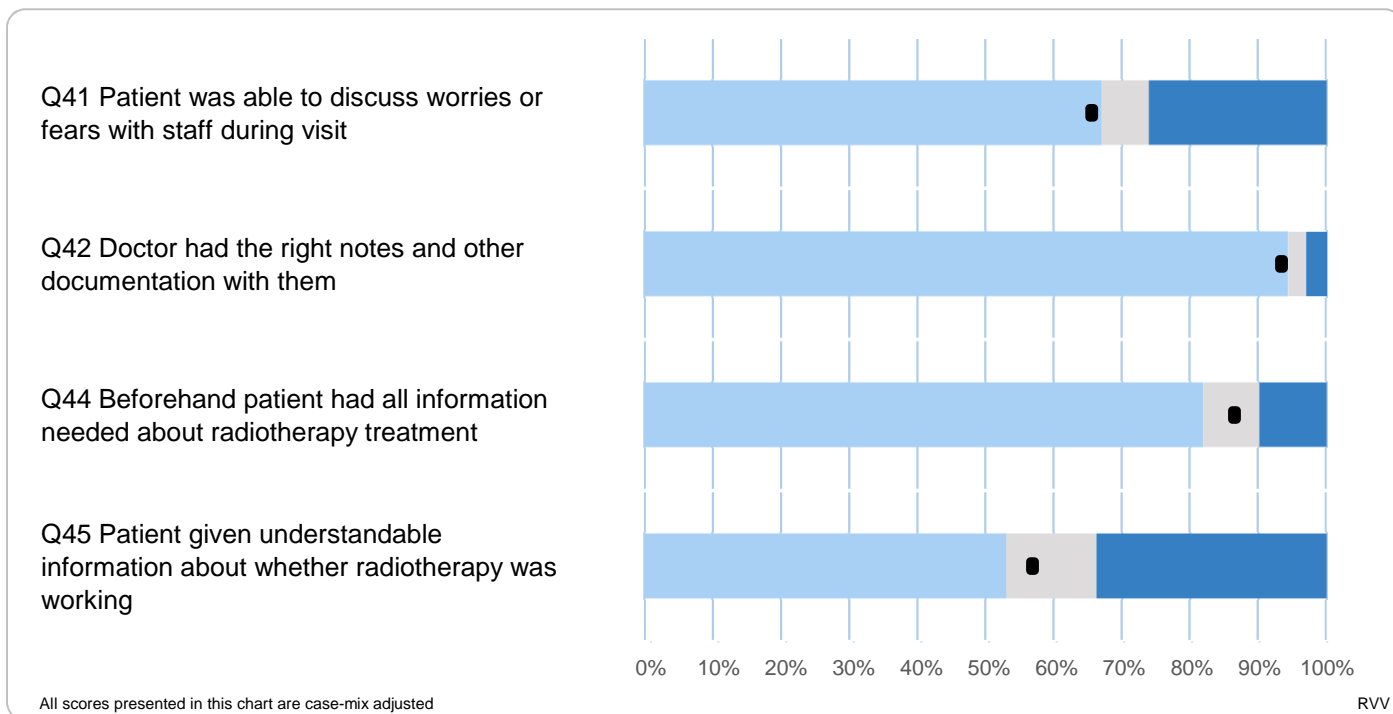


Question	Unadjusted Scores					2016 Case Mix Adjusted			
	2015	2016	2016		Change from 2015	2016 Score	Expected range - lower	Expected range - upper	National Average Score
Number of respondents	Score	Number of respondents	Score						
Q36 Hospital staff definitely did everything to help control pain	497	82%	516	82%		81%	81%	87%	84%
Q37 Always treated with respect and dignity by staff	584	84%	607	85%		84%	85%	91%	88%
Q38 Given clear written information about what should / should not do post discharge	540	84%	573	87%		86%	83%	89%	86%
Q39 Staff told patient who to contact if worried post discharge	553	91%	584	93%		93%	92%	96%	94%

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

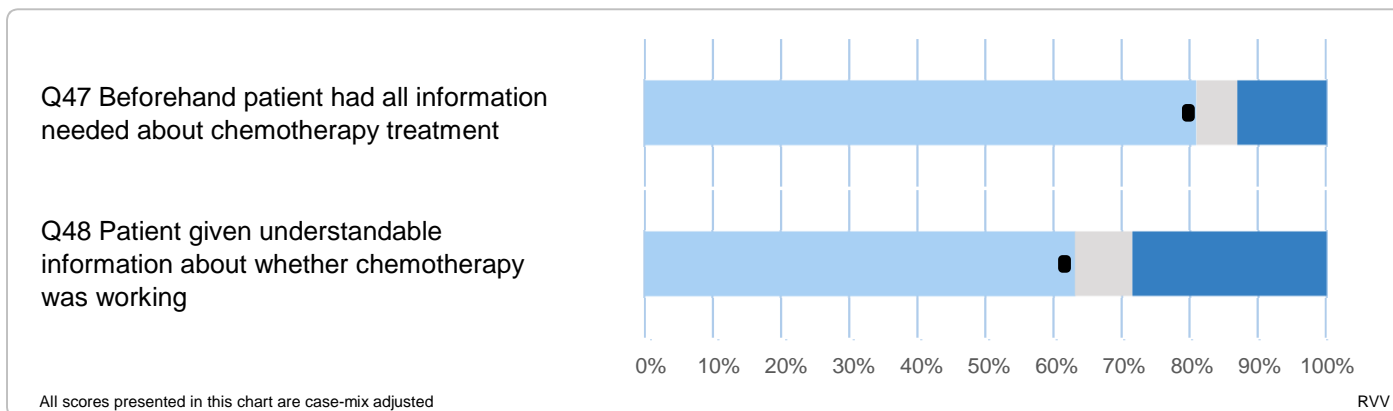


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	2015	2016	2016		Change from 2015	2016 Score	Expected range - lower	Expected range - upper	National Average Score
Number of respondents	Score	Number of respondents	Score						
Q41 Patient was able to discuss worries or fears with staff during visit	701	65%	760	66%		65%	67%	74%	70%
Q42 Doctor had the right notes and other documentation with them	849	94%	918	93%		93%	94%	97%	96%
Q44 Beforehand patient had all information needed about radiotherapy treatment	275	85%	273	86%		86%	82%	90%	86%
Q45 Patient given understandable information about whether radiotherapy was working	217	57%	212	56%		57%	53%	66%	60%

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



Question	Unadjusted Scores					2016 Case Mix Adjusted			
	2015		2016		Change from 2015	2016 Score	Expected range - lower	Expected range - upper	National Average Score
Number of respondents	Score	Number of respondents	Score						
Q47 Beforehand patient had all information needed about chemotherapy treatment	522	79%	566	80%		80%	81%	87%	84%
Q48 Patient given understandable information about whether chemotherapy was working	469	62%	477	61%		61%	63%	72%	67%

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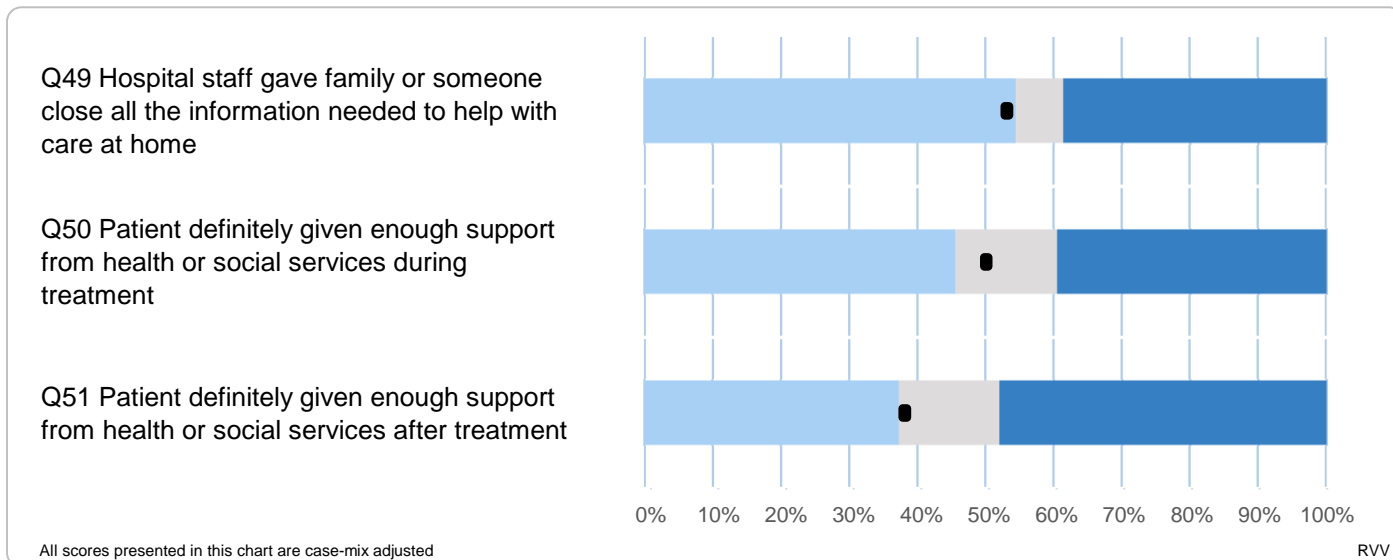
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Home care and support

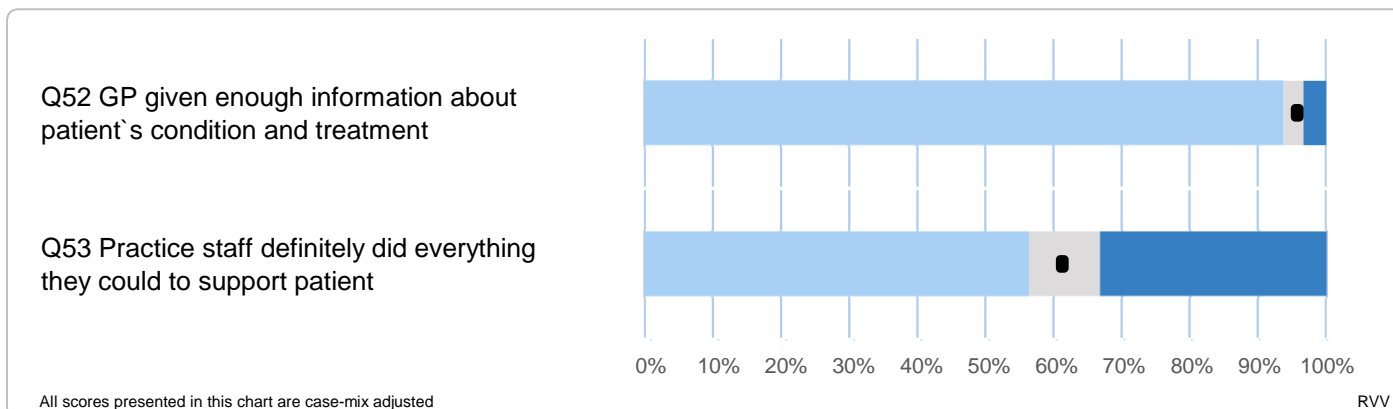


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	2015	2016		Change from 2015	2016 Score	Expected range - lower	Expected range - upper	National Average Score	
Number of respondents	Score	Number of respondents	Score						
Q49 Hospital staff gave family or someone close all the information needed to help with care at home	767	54%	821	53%	53%	55%	61%	58%	
Q50 Patient definitely given enough support from health or social services during treatment	561	53%	574	51%	50%	46%	61%	53%	
Q51 Patient definitely given enough support from health or social services after treatment	283	38%	299	38%	38%	37%	52%	45%	

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Care from your general practice

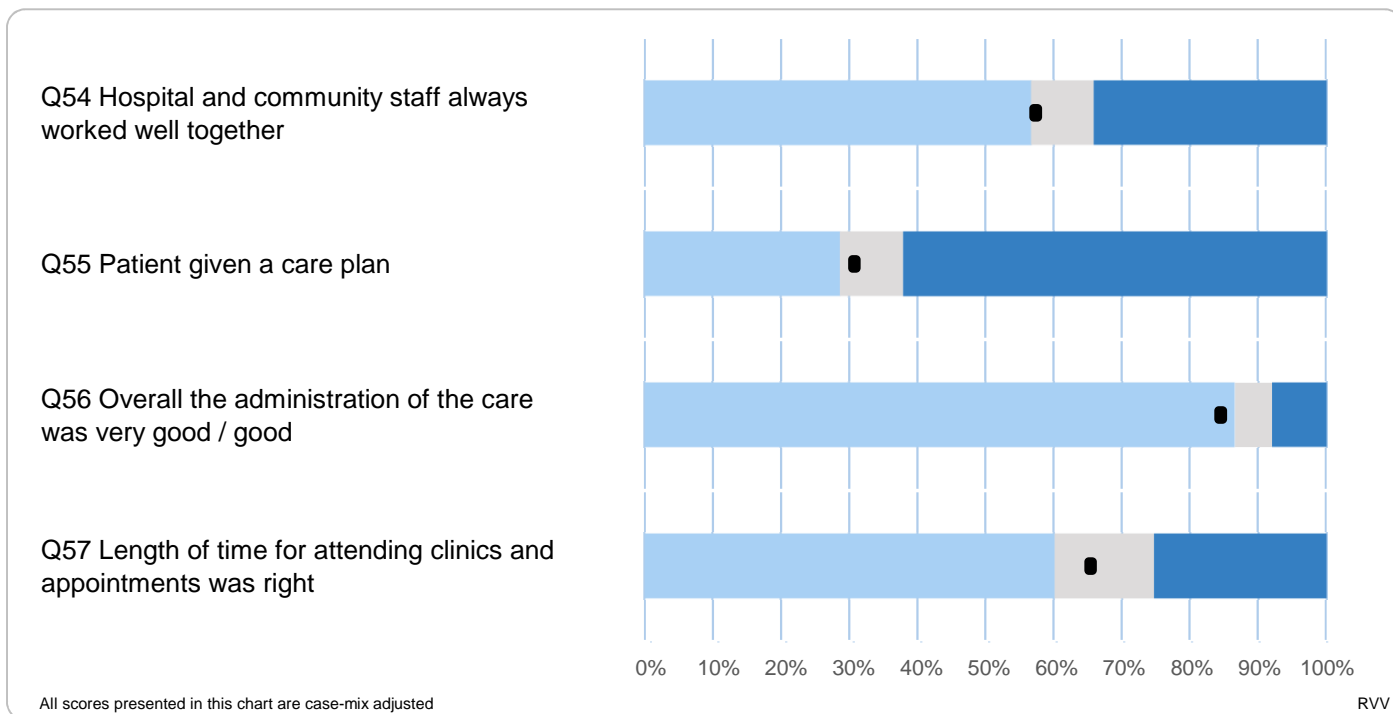


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Q52 GP given enough information about patient's condition and treatment	818	95%	893	96%		96%	94%	97%	95%
Q53 Practice staff definitely did everything they could to support patient	673	62%	705	61%		61%	56%	67%	62%

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Your overall NHS care (Part 1 of 2)

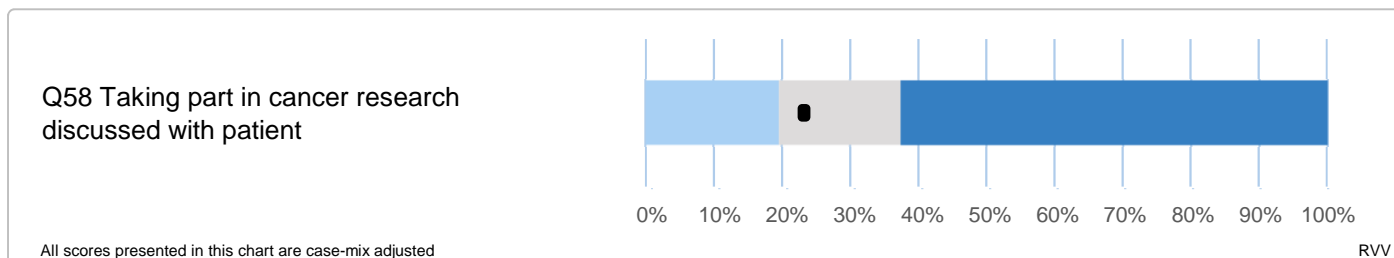


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	2015	2016	2016		Change from 2015	2016 Score	Expected range - lower	Expected range - upper	National Average Score
Number of respondents	Score	Number of respondents	Score						
Q54 Hospital and community staff always worked well together	917	56%	994	58%		57%	57%	66%	61%
Q55 Patient given a care plan	737	28%	798	31%		31%	29%	38%	33%
Q56 Overall the administration of the care was very good / good	943	86%	1,042	84%		84%	87%	92%	89%
Q57 Length of time for attending clinics and appointments was right	942	62%	1,025	66%		65%	60%	75%	67%

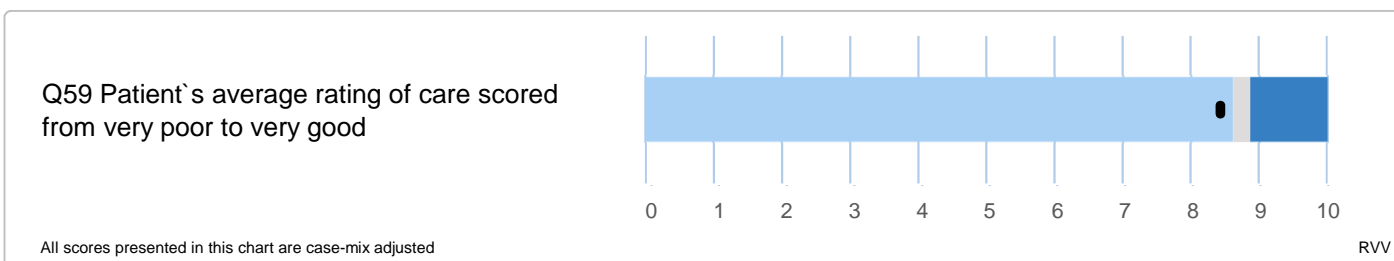
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* Indicates where a score has been suppressed because there are less than 21 respondents.

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	920	23%	1,010	22%		23%	20%	37%	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	910	8.4	1,017	8.5		8.4	8.6	8.9	8.7

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

Comparisons by tumour group for this 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%	*	79%
Breast	95%	94%	88%	90%
Colorectal / LGT	67%	71%	74%	81%
Gynaecological	79%	75%	72%	79%
Haematological	67%	65%	77%	81%
Head and Neck	*	77%	*	79%
Lung	70%	70%	74%	83%
Prostate	82%	78%	86%	86%
Sarcoma	*	66%	*	67%
Skin	90%	90%	84%	86%
Upper Gastro	79%	72%	82%	78%
Urological	88%	82%	85%	85%
Other	76%	72%	81%	79%
All Cancers	79%	77%	81%	83%

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Diagnostic tests

Cancer type	Q5. Received all the information needed about the test		Q6. The length of time waiting for the test to be done was about right		Q7. Given complete explanation of test results in understandable way	
	This Trust [§]	National	This Trust [§]	National	This Trust [§]	National
Brain / CNS	*	90%	*	81%	*	70%
Breast	98%	95%	92%	92%	85%	82%
Colorectal / LGT	93%	95%	74%	87%	74%	80%
Gynaecological	88%	93%	76%	85%	71%	75%
Haematological	88%	94%	83%	89%	72%	77%
Head and Neck	*	93%	*	85%	*	78%
Lung	92%	94%	79%	87%	81%	78%
Prostate	95%	95%	89%	86%	77%	80%
Sarcoma	*	93%	*	79%	*	74%
Skin	88%	95%	88%	88%	76%	85%
Upper Gastro	91%	93%	88%	82%	73%	77%
Urological	85%	94%	78%	87%	77%	79%
Other	97%	95%	86%	86%	71%	76%
All Cancers	93%	94%	84%	87%	77%	79%

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Finding out what was wrong with you

Cancer type	Q8. Patient told they could bring a family member or friend when first told they had cancer		Q9. Patient felt they were told sensitively that they had cancer		Q10. Patient completely understood the explanation of what was wrong		Q11. Patient given easy to understand written information about the type of cancer they had	
	This Trust [§]	National	This Trust [§]	National	This Trust [§]	National	This Trust [§]	National
Brain / CNS	*	83%	*	73%	*	63%	*	63%
Breast	73%	82%	87%	88%	83%	78%	79%	77%
Colorectal / LGT	76%	80%	83%	86%	70%	78%	59%	71%
Gynaecological	71%	71%	81%	82%	75%	72%	54%	69%
Haematological	59%	71%	82%	83%	59%	60%	70%	74%
Head and Neck	*	70%	*	86%	*	75%	*	64%
Lung	74%	78%	89%	83%	76%	75%	70%	65%
Prostate	70%	77%	80%	84%	83%	78%	77%	81%
Sarcoma	*	72%	*	81%	*	67%	*	64%
Skin	44%	63%	81%	89%	77%	79%	73%	83%
Upper Gastro	68%	77%	76%	80%	66%	72%	57%	66%
Urological	66%	72%	79%	83%	77%	77%	70%	72%
Other	59%	74%	85%	82%	71%	70%	60%	62%
All Cancers	67%	76%	83%	84%	74%	73%	68%	72%

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Deciding the best treatment for you

	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	
Cancer type	This Trust [§]	National	This Trust [§]	National	This Trust [§]	National
Brain / CNS	*	78%	*	72%	*	61%
Breast	86%	84%	79%	75%	67%	69%
Colorectal / LGT	81%	85%	75%	75%	53%	68%
Gynaecological	84%	84%	69%	74%	53%	66%
Haematological	74%	81%	61%	69%	49%	64%
Head and Neck	*	85%	*	70%	*	68%
Lung	86%	83%	78%	74%	59%	68%
Prostate	81%	81%	73%	72%	64%	62%
Sarcoma	*	83%	*	72%	*	66%
Skin	83%	88%	*	76%	64%	70%
Upper Gastro	84%	83%	68%	73%	51%	67%
Urological	73%	81%	65%	72%	52%	62%
Other	75%	79%	66%	70%	55%	63%
All Cancers	80%	83%	71%	72%	57%	66%

	Q15. Patient definitely told about side effects that could affect them in the future		Q16. Patient definitely involved in decisions about care and treatment	
Cancer type	This Trust [§]	National	This Trust [§]	National
Brain / CNS	*	55%	*	73%
Breast	55%	56%	78%	79%
Colorectal / LGT	46%	56%	78%	79%
Gynaecological	51%	52%	78%	77%
Haematological	39%	49%	69%	77%
Head and Neck	*	59%	*	78%
Lung	46%	54%	74%	79%
Prostate	65%	63%	80%	79%
Sarcoma	*	54%	*	80%
Skin	*	61%	71%	85%
Upper Gastro	38%	53%	78%	77%
Urological	47%	53%	72%	77%
Other	44%	50%	71%	74%
All Cancers	49%	54%	75%	78%

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Clinical Nurse Specialist

	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	
Cancer type	This Trust [§]	National	This Trust [§]	National	This Trust [§]	National
Brain / CNS	*	95%	*	82%	*	83%
Breast	98%	94%	86%	86%	94%	89%
Colorectal / LGT	91%	91%	71%	88%	78%	89%
Gynaecological	89%	94%	69%	84%	81%	87%
Haematological	81%	90%	77%	88%	80%	89%
Head and Neck	*	88%	*	87%	*	87%
Lung	86%	94%	69%	88%	87%	88%
Prostate	82%	88%	83%	84%	91%	88%
Sarcoma	*	88%	*	87%	*	90%
Skin	92%	88%	*	89%	*	90%
Upper Gastro	89%	92%	67%	86%	72%	87%
Urological	63%	81%	75%	85%	82%	89%
Other	78%	87%	80%	85%	94%	86%
All Cancers	85%	90%	78%	86%	86%	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	*	84%	*	81%	*	67%	*	71%
Breast	90%	89%	87%	85%	67%	62%	84%	80%
Colorectal / LGT	75%	84%	71%	82%	52%	54%	70%	82%
Gynaecological	73%	83%	68%	79%	34%	58%	70%	77%
Haematological	67%	83%	69%	82%	46%	58%	79%	86%
Head and Neck	*	83%	*	80%	*	59%	*	79%
Lung	90%	83%	63%	80%	46%	69%	*	84%
Prostate	83%	86%	84%	83%	33%	44%	45%	79%
Sarcoma	*	83%	*	82%	*	56%	*	78%
Skin	*	86%	*	82%	*	52%	*	62%
Upper Gastro	66%	83%	63%	80%	48%	60%	*	84%
Urological	67%	74%	69%	72%	20%	35%	38%	67%
Other	76%	80%	75%	77%	60%	55%	77%	80%
All Cancers	77%	84%	76%	81%	51%	56%	72%	80%

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Operations

	Q25. Beforehand had all the information needed about the operation		Q26. Staff explained how operation had gone in understandable way	
Cancer type	This Trust [§]	National	This Trust [§]	National
Brain / CNS	n.a.	93%	n.a.	68%
Breast	99%	97%	81%	78%
Colorectal / LGT	96%	96%	77%	83%
Gynaecological	89%	96%	76%	79%
Haematological	*	93%	*	75%
Head and Neck	*	94%	*	78%
Lung	*	97%	*	79%
Prostate	98%	96%	78%	77%
Sarcoma	*	93%	*	80%
Skin	90%	96%	76%	83%
Upper Gastro	*	96%	*	79%
Urological	88%	95%	70%	77%
Other	89%	95%	78%	78%
All Cancers	94%	96%	77%	79%

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Hospital care as an inpatient (Part 1 of 2)

	Q28. Groups of doctors or nurses did not talk in front of patient as if they were not there		Q29. Patient had confidence and trust in all doctors treating them		Q30. Patient's family or someone close definitely had opportunity to talk to doctor		Q31. Patient had confidence and trust in all ward nurses	
Cancer type	This 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	86%	89%	89%	86%	75%	76%	74%	76%
Colorectal / LGT	64%	76%	83%	85%	69%	72%	59%	70%
Gynaecological	90%	85%	88%	85%	76%	72%	71%	71%
Haematological	85%	81%	85%	81%	72%	73%	83%	74%
Head and Neck	*	79%	*	84%	*	74%	*	72%
Lung	*	77%	*	82%	*	73%	*	75%
Prostate	88%	85%	90%	88%	73%	74%	75%	79%
Sarcoma	*	80%	*	85%	*	72%	*	74%
Skin	*	87%	*	92%	*	80%	*	85%
Upper Gastro	*	74%	*	82%	*	73%	*	71%
Urological	78%	80%	75%	86%	59%	71%	83%	77%
Other	86%	79%	89%	81%	59%	70%	81%	71%
All Cancers	81%	82%	85%	85%	69%	73%	74%	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	74%	71%	64%	61%	83%	86%	49%	54%
Colorectal / LGT	44%	62%	63%	70%	75%	84%	42%	53%
Gynaecological	59%	66%	66%	65%	76%	83%	51%	50%
Haematological	63%	62%	64%	70%	92%	86%	60%	56%
Head and Neck	*	65%	*	69%	*	86%	*	54%
Lung	*	70%	*	72%	*	83%	*	50%
Prostate	80%	73%	65%	68%	88%	89%	53%	52%
Sarcoma	*	71%	*	71%	*	88%	*	53%
Skin	*	78%	*	67%	*	90%	*	62%
Upper Gastro	*	64%	*	74%	*	83%	*	50%
Urological	62%	68%	55%	72%	84%	87%	36%	47%
Other	70%	62%	65%	68%	82%	83%	47%	47%
All Cancers	65%	67%	63%	68%	83%	85%	47%	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	87%	86%	85%	88%	95%	91%	98%	96%
Colorectal / LGT	79%	84%	77%	87%	82%	84%	90%	94%
Gynaecological	82%	83%	86%	87%	96%	87%	100%	94%
Haematological	77%	83%	85%	89%	73%	80%	92%	95%
Head and Neck	*	81%	*	87%	*	85%	*	91%
Lung	*	84%	*	87%	*	81%	*	91%
Prostate	87%	85%	87%	91%	93%	89%	96%	94%
Sarcoma	*	87%	*	90%	*	84%	*	94%
Skin	*	87%	*	92%	*	89%	*	95%
Upper Gastro	*	82%	*	86%	*	82%	*	93%
Urological	74%	82%	88%	89%	82%	86%	89%	91%
Other	89%	82%	93%	86%	86%	81%	90%	93%
All Cancers	82%	84%	85%	88%	87%	86%	93%	94%

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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%	*	95%	n.a.	86%	n.a.	58%
Breast	67%	70%	98%	96%	89%	88%	58%	60%
Colorectal / LGT	59%	72%	91%	96%	*	86%	*	58%
Gynaecological	57%	68%	90%	95%	*	85%	*	62%
Haematological	67%	74%	93%	97%	*	84%	*	64%
Head and Neck	*	71%	*	96%	*	84%	*	61%
Lung	66%	70%	88%	95%	*	85%	*	58%
Prostate	84%	72%	99%	96%	*	89%	*	58%
Sarcoma	*	72%	*	97%	*	89%	*	69%
Skin	82%	72%	96%	97%	*	84%	*	59%
Upper Gastro	66%	68%	89%	94%	*	86%	*	57%
Urological	60%	68%	92%	96%	*	81%	*	56%
Other	63%	67%	91%	95%	81%	83%	47%	58%
All Cancers	66%	70%	93%	96%	86%	86%	56%	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	*	80%	*	59%
Breast	72%	82%	56%	62%
Colorectal / LGT	82%	85%	54%	63%
Gynaecological	89%	84%	62%	66%
Haematological	81%	84%	66%	75%
Head and Neck	*	80%	*	58%
Lung	83%	84%	63%	68%
Prostate	*	84%	*	67%
Sarcoma	*	86%	*	73%
Skin	n.a.	88%	n.a.	78%
Upper Gastro	87%	84%	57%	64%
Urological	72%	84%	54%	67%
Other	78%	85%	73%	68%
All Cancers	80%	84%	61%	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	*	49%	*	42%	n.a.	41%
Breast	54%	57%	58%	53%	46%	40%
Colorectal / LGT	58%	60%	58%	61%	33%	51%
Gynaecological	50%	56%	50%	50%	*	39%
Haematological	43%	60%	35%	51%	15%	44%
Head and Neck	*	61%	*	52%	*	48%
Lung	56%	57%	*	50%	*	43%
Prostate	56%	56%	52%	48%	58%	43%
Sarcoma	*	59%	*	55%	*	48%
Skin	*	65%	*	57%	*	59%
Upper Gastro	53%	59%	*	55%	*	48%
Urological	55%	58%	43%	47%	48%	43%
Other	48%	54%	54%	55%	52%	48%
All Cancers	53%	58%	51%	53%	38%	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	*	89%	*	51%
Breast	96%	96%	61%	62%
Colorectal / LGT	94%	95%	62%	62%
Gynaecological	98%	95%	54%	61%
Haematological	91%	96%	56%	59%
Head and Neck	*	94%	*	59%
Lung	100%	95%	52%	61%
Prostate	98%	96%	65%	67%
Sarcoma	*	95%	*	56%
Skin	100%	96%	76%	67%
Upper Gastro	97%	94%	57%	61%
Urological	97%	95%	61%	64%
Other	96%	95%	67%	59%
All Cancers	96%	95%	61%	62%

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Your overall NHS care

	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	
Cancer type	This Trust [§]	National	This Trust [§]	National	This Trust [§]	National	This Trust [§]	National
Brain / CNS	*	43%	*	32%	*	82%	*	61%
Breast	63%	61%	33%	37%	91%	91%	67%	65%
Colorectal / LGT	51%	60%	29%	35%	77%	89%	67%	70%
Gynaecological	52%	58%	23%	30%	93%	89%	67%	66%
Haematological	58%	63%	23%	33%	79%	92%	56%	63%
Head and Neck	*	62%	*	36%	*	89%	*	69%
Lung	54%	63%	21%	33%	77%	89%	68%	71%
Prostate	65%	65%	38%	35%	90%	88%	70%	73%
Sarcoma	*	56%	*	28%	*	87%	*	61%
Skin	69%	69%	46%	39%	90%	90%	77%	76%
Upper Gastro	53%	58%	29%	34%	78%	87%	76%	66%
Urological	62%	63%	27%	27%	81%	87%	69%	75%
Other	55%	55%	39%	29%	88%	88%	63%	61%
All Cancers	58%	61%	31%	33%	84%	89%	66%	67%

	Q58. Taking part in cancer research discussed with patient		Q59. Patient's average rating of care scored from very poor to very good	
Cancer type	This Trust [§]	National	This Trust [§]	National
Brain / CNS	*	24%	*	8.3
Breast	21%	28%	8.7	8.8
Colorectal / LGT	18%	26%	8.2	8.7
Gynaecological	17%	30%	8.4	8.7
Haematological	47%	34%	8.5	8.9
Head and Neck	*	19%	*	8.7
Lung	19%	33%	8.2	8.7
Prostate	34%	34%	8.5	8.7
Sarcoma	*	33%	*	8.6
Skin	14%	18%	8.4	8.9
Upper Gastro	26%	33%	8.2	8.6
Urological	6%	15%	8.5	8.7
Other	11%	30%	8.3	8.6
All Cancers	22%	29%	8.5	8.7

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Annex

Methodology

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

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

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

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

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

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

Further information

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

Redevelopment of the 2016 survey

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

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

Official Statistics

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

Scoring methodologies

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

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

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

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

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

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

Case-mix adjustment

As in 2015, case-mix adjusted findings are being presented alongside unadjusted results for 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.

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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%
RVV	1,759	148	1,611	477	67	1,067	67%

Respondents by tumour group

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

Tumour Group	Number of respondents*
Brain / CNS	1
Breast	218
Gynaecological	59
Colorectal / LGT	146
Lung	40
Skin	31
Haematological	158
Upper Gastro	38
Other	121
Urological	128
Prostate	97
Sarcoma	10
Head and Neck	20

* 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	1	1	4	19	88	202	132	41	488
Female	0	4	19	79	126	213	113	25	579
Total	1	5	23	98	214	415	245	66	1,067



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