

# **National Cancer Patient Experience Survey**

## **2018 Results**

**Walsall Healthcare  
NHS 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 2018 is the eighth iteration of the survey first undertaken in 2010. It has been designed to monitor national progress on cancer care; to provide information to drive local quality improvements; to assist commissioners and providers of cancer care; and to inform the work of the various charities and stakeholder groups supporting cancer patients.

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

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

Full national results and other reports are available at:

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

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

## This report

The report shows how this 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 2017 to this question

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

### Data tables (continued)

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

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

		Column 1	Column 2	Column 3	Column 4	Column 5	Column 6	Column 7	Column 8	Column 9	Column 10
Question		Unadjusted Scores						2018 Case Mix Adjusted			
		2017		2018		Change 2017-2018	Change Overall	2018 Score	Expected range - lower	Expected range - upper	National Average Score
		Number of respondents	Score	Number of respondents	Score						
Q1	Saw GP once / twice before being told had to go to hospital	168	77%	202	76%			74%	72%	83%	77%
Q2	Patient thought they were seen as soon as necessary	239	79%	283	84%			83%	79%	88%	84%

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

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

Confidence Intervals for unadjusted and case-mix adjusted data are provided in these tables.

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

For further details on case-mix adjustment and the scoring methodology used, please refer to the Annex towards the end of this report.

### Comparability charts

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

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

### Comparability charts (continued)

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

### Notes on specific questions

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

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

Unadjusted data should be used to see the actual responses from patients relating to the 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 are presented in the detailed data tables at:

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

These should be used to understand whether the results are significantly higher or lower than the results for another Trust.

### **Response rates**

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

## Executive Summary

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

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

**72%** of respondents said that they were definitely involved as much as they wanted to be in decisions about their care and treatment

**89%** of respondents said that they were given the name of a Clinical Nurse Specialist who would support them through their treatment

**88%** of respondents said that it had been 'quite easy' or 'very easy' to contact their Clinical Nurse Specialist

**85%** of respondents said that, overall, they were always treated with dignity and respect while they were in hospital

**94%** of respondents said that hospital staff told them who to contact if they were worried about their condition or treatment after they left hospital

**54%** of respondents said that they thought the GPs and nurses at their general practice definitely did everything they could to support them while they were having cancer treatment.

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

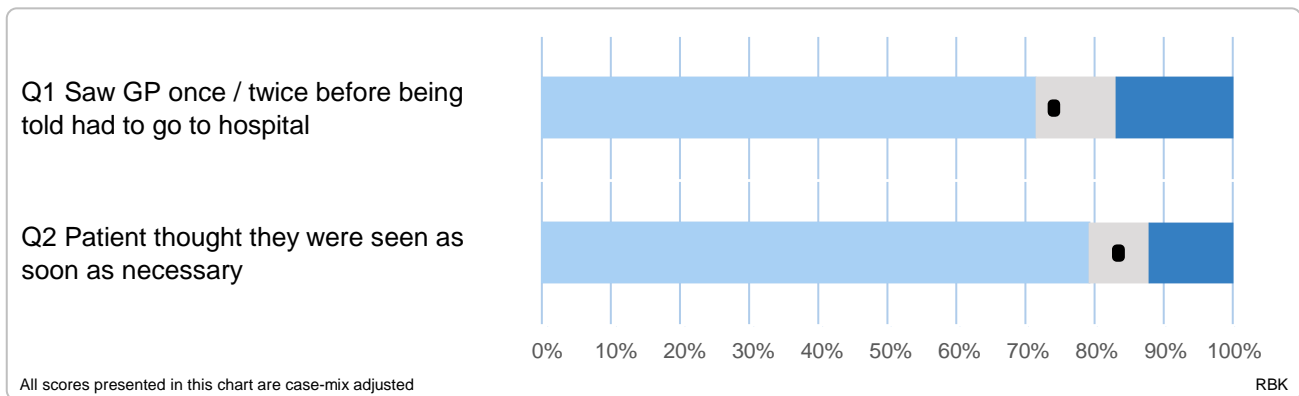
The questions were selected in discussion with the national Cancer Patient Experience Advisory Group and reflect four key patient experience domains: provision of information; involvement in decisions; care transition; interpersonal relations, respect and dignity. The figures presented above are all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

Questions which scored outside expected range

Question	Number of respondents for this Trust	2018 Case-mix Adjusted			National Average Score	
		2018 Score for this Trust	Lower limit of expected range	Upper limit of expected range		
<b>Deciding the best treatment for you</b>						
Q16	Patient definitely involved in decisions about care and treatment	285	72%	74%	83%	79%
<b>Support for people with cancer</b>						
Q21	Hospital staff gave information about impact cancer could have on day to day activities	206	78%	78%	88%	83%
Q22	Hospital staff gave information on getting financial help	207	73%	52%	69%	60%
<b>Hospital care as an inpatient</b>						
Q31	Patient had confidence and trust in all ward nurses	163	66%	69%	82%	75%
<b>Hospital care as a day patient / outpatient</b>						
Q45	Patient given understandable information about whether radiotherapy was working	48	41%	46%	73%	60%
<b>Home care and support</b>						
Q51	Patient definitely given enough support from health or social services after treatment	82	31%	34%	56%	45%
<b>Your overall NHS care</b>						
Q58	Taking part in cancer research discussed with patient	265	17%	20%	43%	31%

## Trust results

### Seeing your GP



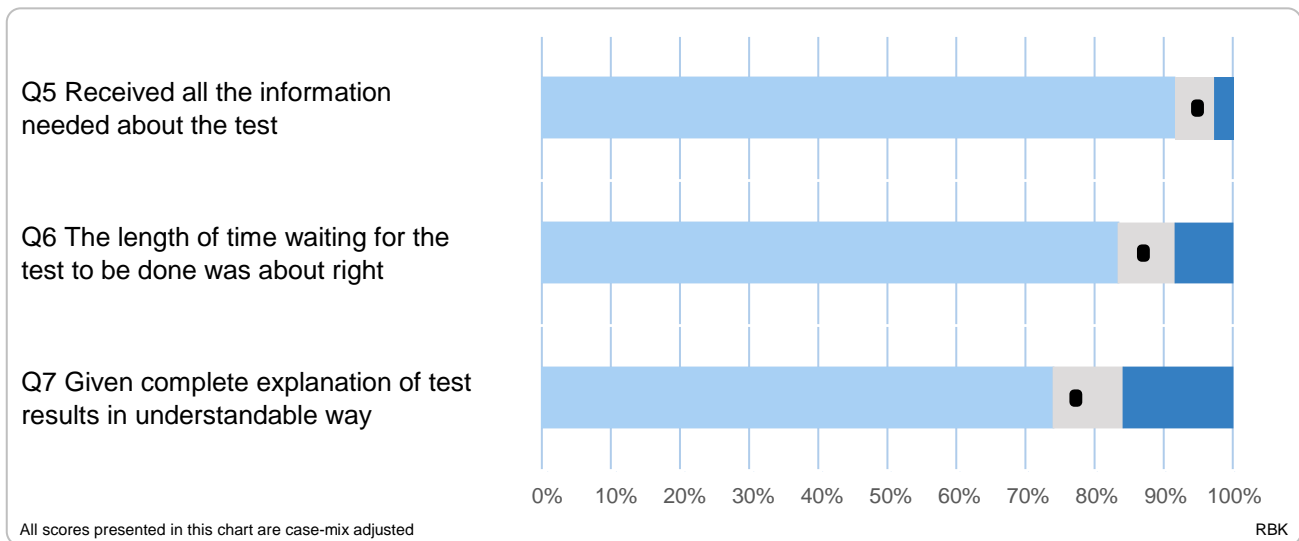
Question		Unadjusted Scores				2018 Case Mix Adjusted					
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Q1	Saw GP once / twice before being told had to go to hospital	168	77%	202	76%			74%	72%	83%	77%
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### Diagnostic Tests

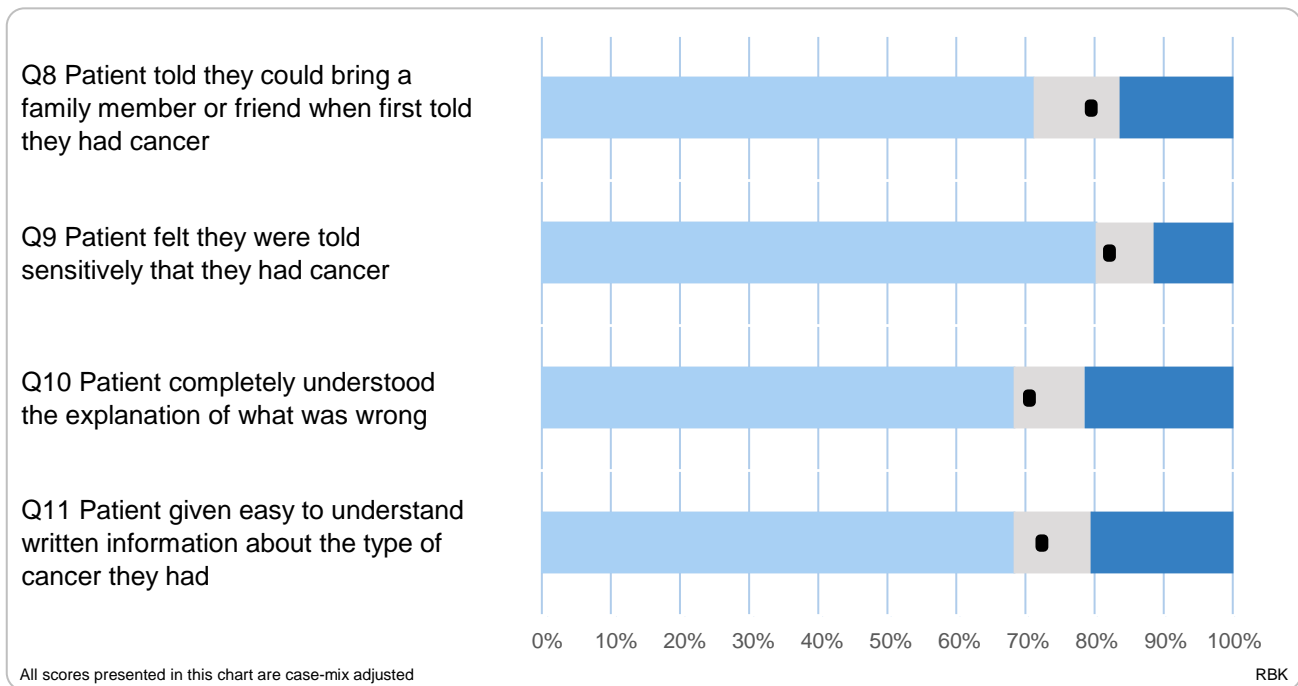


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		Number of respondents	Score	Number of respondents	Score						
Q5	Received all the information needed about the test	208	92%	244	94%			95%	92%	97%	94%
Q6	The length of time waiting for the test to be done was about right	208	86%	250	87%			87%	83%	92%	88%
Q7	Given complete explanation of test results in understandable way	212	75%	253	77%			77%	74%	84%	79%

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## Trust results

### Finding out what was wrong with you

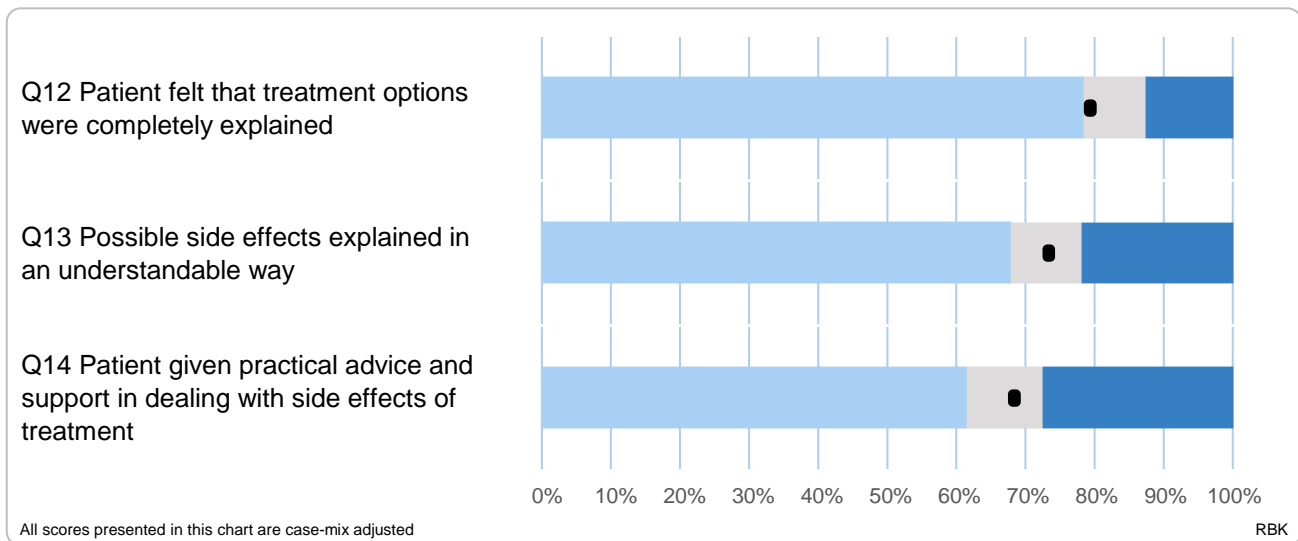


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	Number of respondents	Score	Number of respondents	Score						
Q8 Patient told they could bring a family member or friend when first told they had cancer	214	79%	260	82%			79%	71%	84%	78%
Q9 Patient felt they were told sensitively that they had cancer	237	82%	286	83%			82%	80%	89%	85%
Q10 Patient completely understood the explanation of what was wrong	240	73%	291	71%			70%	68%	79%	74%
Q11 Patient given easy to understand written information about the type of cancer they had	207	73%	258	72%			72%	68%	80%	74%

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## Trust results

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

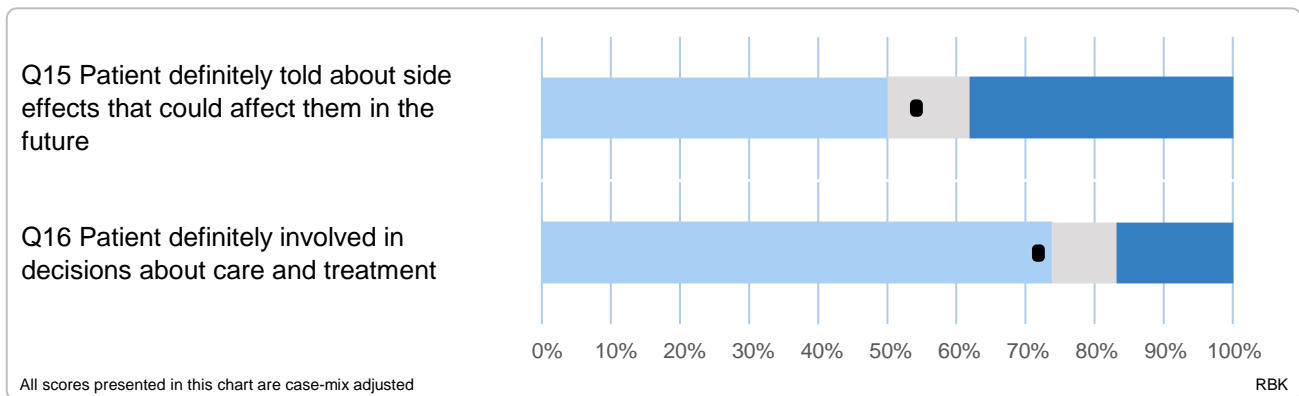


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Q12	Patient felt that treatment options were completely explained	211	81%	267	79%			79%	79%	88%	83%
Q13	Possible side effects explained in an understandable way	231	77%	284	74%			73%	68%	78%	73%
Q14	Patient given practical advice and support in dealing with side effects of treatment	230	66%	280	69%			68%	62%	73%	67%

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## Trust results

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

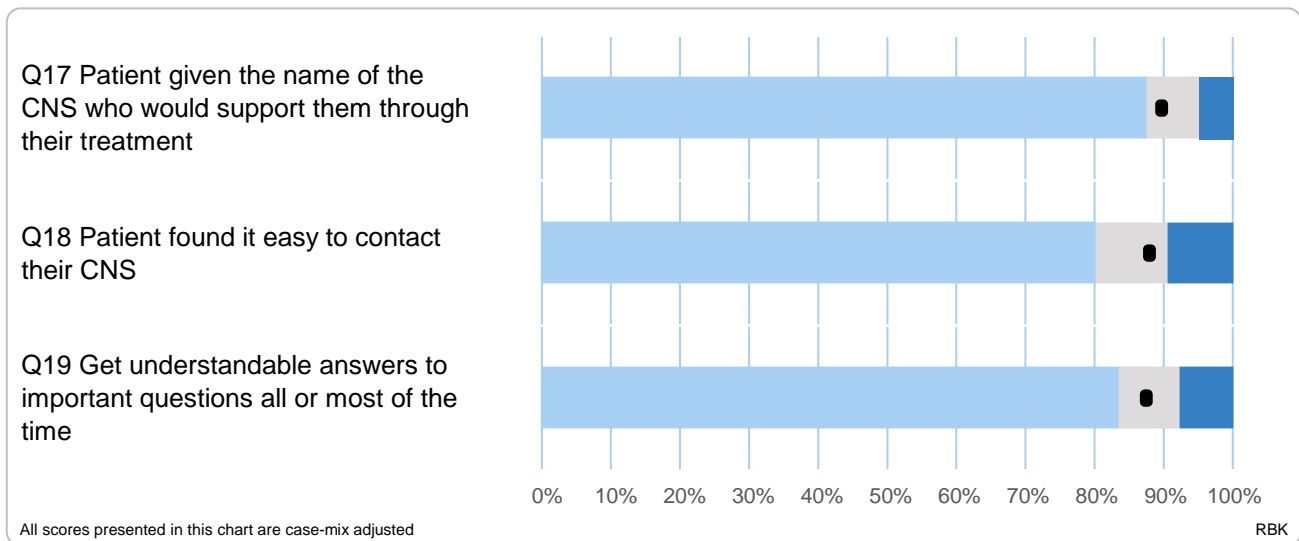


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	2017		2018		Change 2017-2018	Change Overall	2018 Score	Expected range - lower	Expected range - upper	National Average Score
	Number of respondents	Score	Number of respondents	Score						
Q15 Patient definitely told about side effects that could affect them in the future	216	53%	266	55%			54%	50%	62%	56%
Q16 Patient definitely involved in decisions about care and treatment	227	77%	285	72%			72%	74%	83%	79%

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## Trust results

### Clinical Nurse Specialist

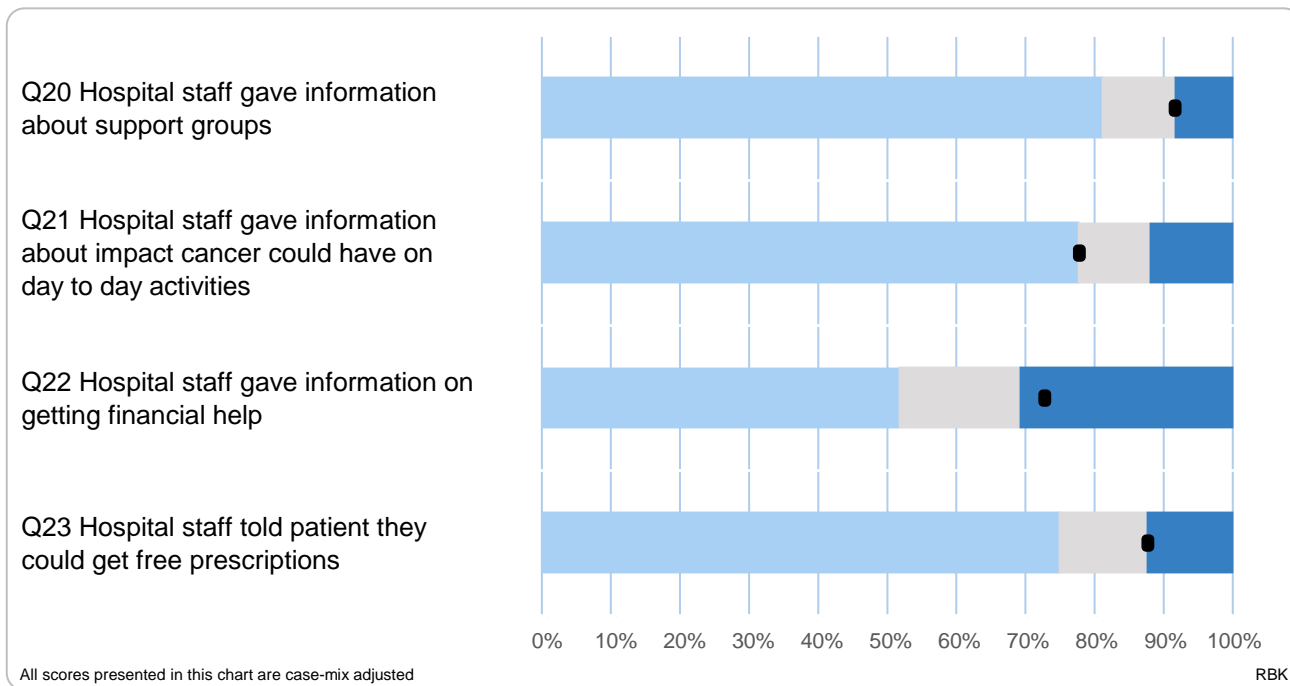


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Q17	Patient given the name of the CNS who would support them through their treatment	229	94%	285	90%			89%	88%	95%	91%
Q18	Patient found it easy to contact their CNS	188	85%	233	88%			88%	80%	91%	85%
Q19	Get understandable answers to important questions all or most of the time	186	83%	228	86%			87%	84%	92%	88%

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### Support for people with cancer

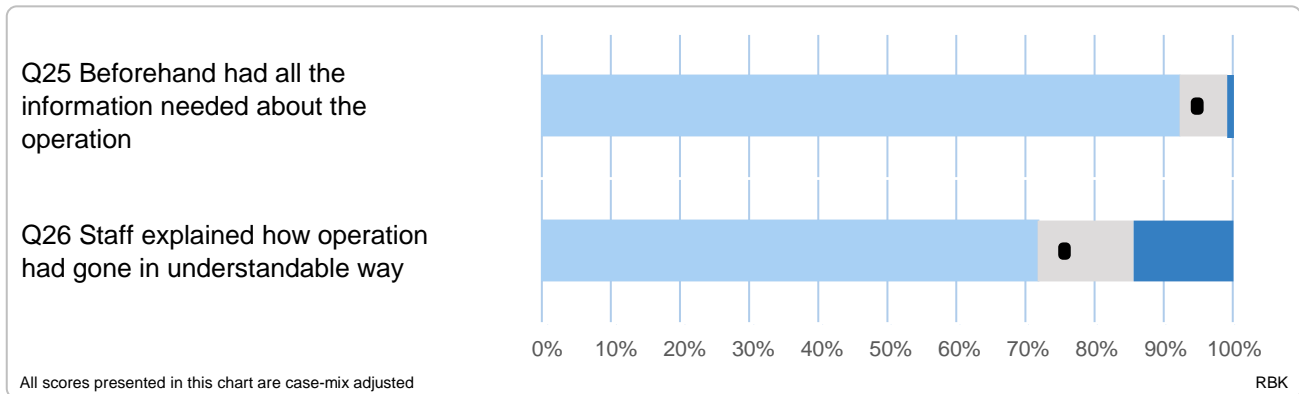


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Q20 Hospital staff gave information about support groups	197	87%	246	91%			91%	81%	92%	86%
Q21 Hospital staff gave information about impact cancer could have on day to day activities	175	82%	206	78%			78%	78%	88%	83%
Q22 Hospital staff gave information on getting financial help	164	72%	207	72%			73%	52%	69%	60%
Q23 Hospital staff told patient they could get free prescriptions	112	88%	157	88%		↑	87%	75%	88%	81%

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### Operations

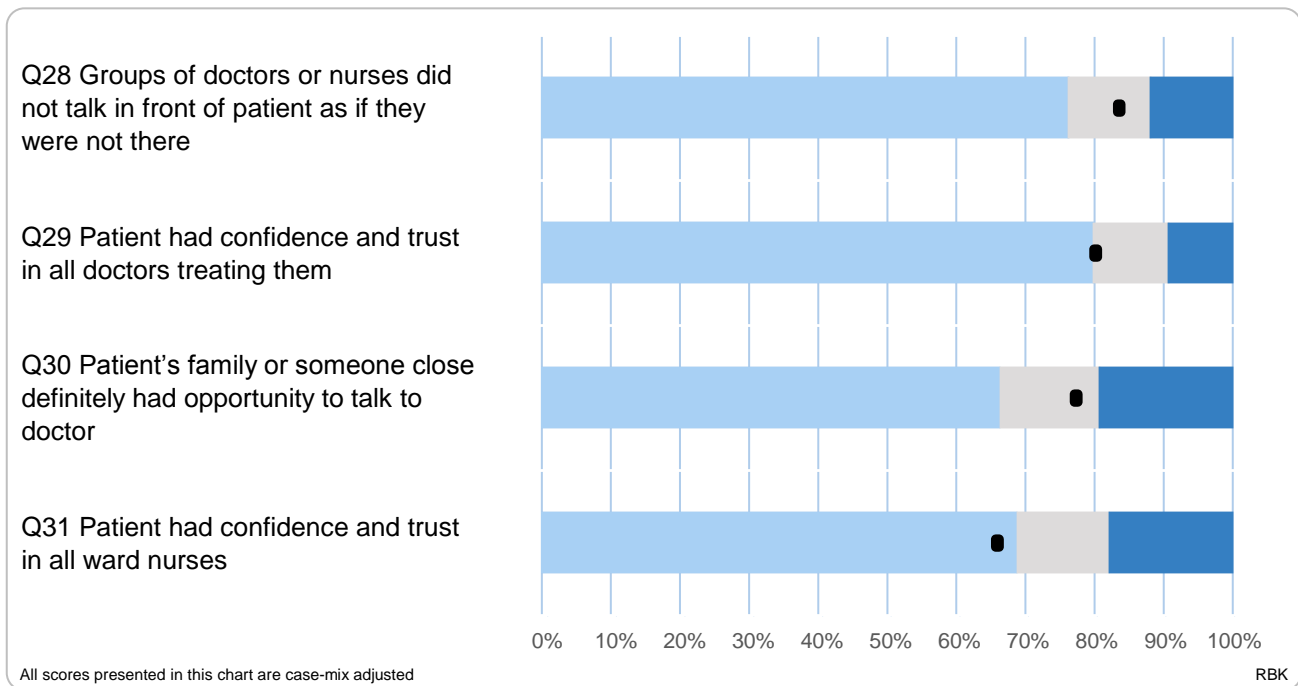


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	2017		2018		Change 2017-2018	Change Overall	2018 Score	Expected range - lower	Expected range - upper	National Average Score	
	Number of respondents	Score	Number of respondents	Score							
Q25	Beforehand had all the information needed about the operation	126	96%	132	95%			95%	92%	99%	96%
Q26	Staff explained how operation had gone in understandable way	124	76%	137	74%			75%	72%	86%	79%

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## Trust results

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



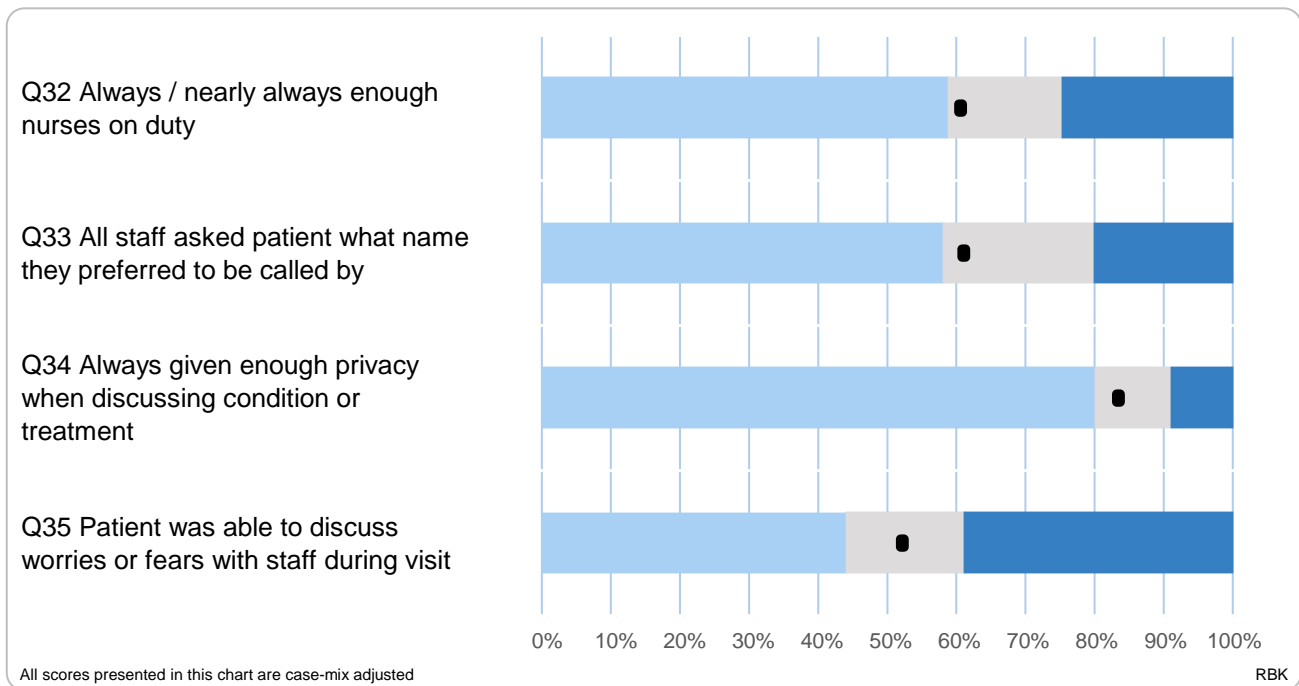
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Q28 Groups of doctors or nurses did not talk in front of patient as if they were not there	139	77%	162	83%			83%	76%	88%	82%
Q29 Patient had confidence and trust in all doctors treating them	138	80%	165	81%			80%	80%	91%	85%
Q30 Patient's family or someone close definitely had opportunity to talk to doctor	128	70%	144	78%			77%	66%	81%	74%
Q31 Patient had confidence and trust in all ward nurses	138	69%	163	67%			66%	69%	82%	75%

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## Trust results

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

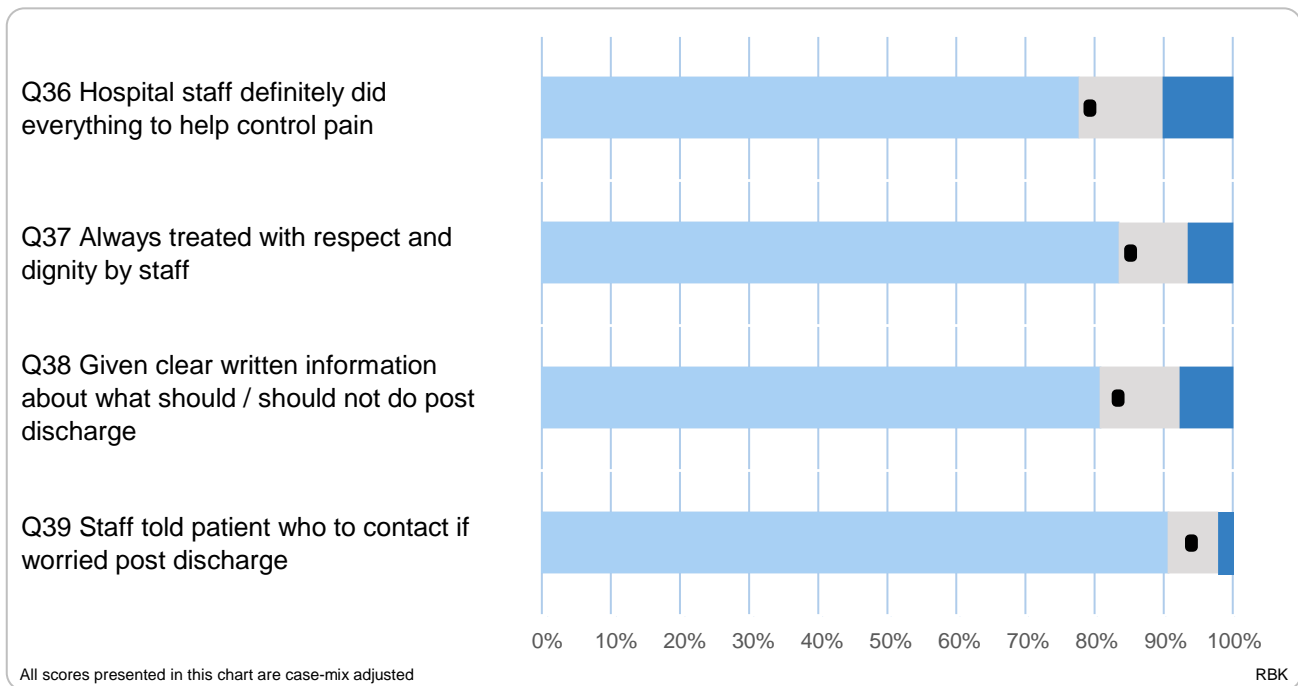


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Q32 Always / nearly always enough nurses on duty	136	56%	158	62%			60%	59%	75%	67%
Q33 All staff asked patient what name they preferred to be called by	136	62%	158	60%			61%	58%	80%	69%
Q34 Always given enough privacy when discussing condition or treatment	136	85%	159	84%			83%	80%	91%	86%
Q35 Patient was able to discuss worries or fears with staff during visit	105	54%	131	53%			52%	44%	61%	53%

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## Trust results

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

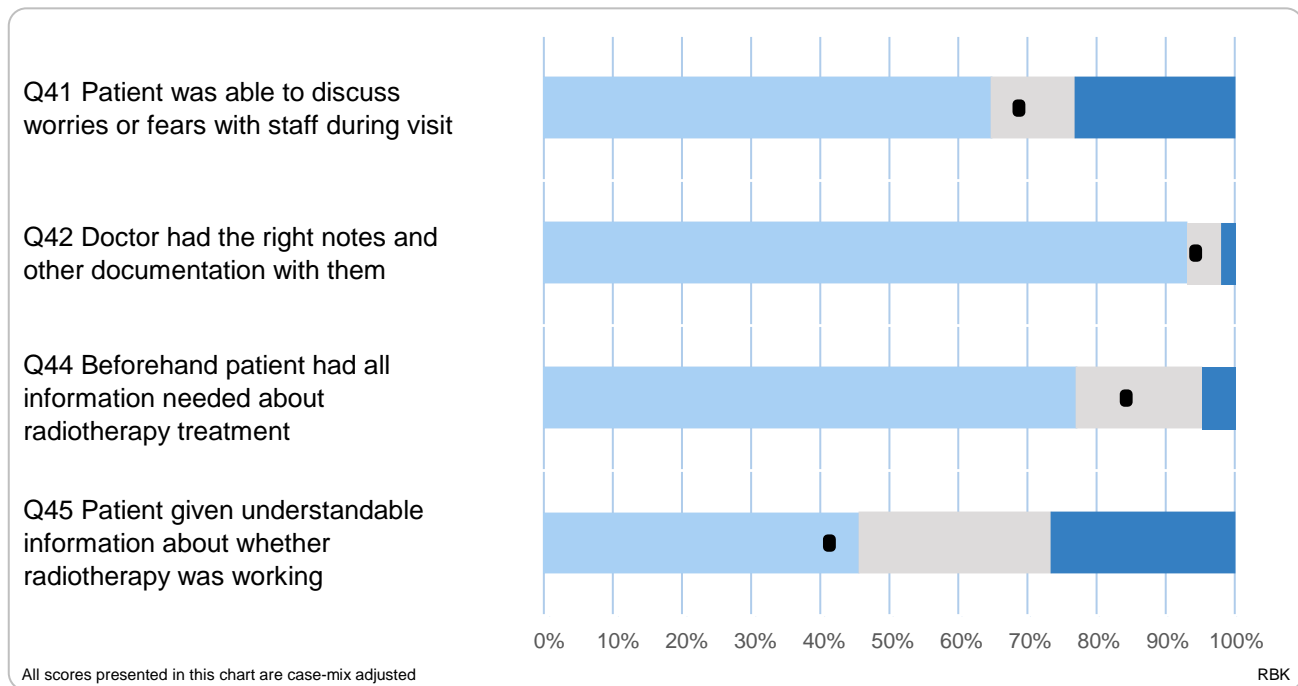


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Q36 Hospital staff definitely did everything to help control pain	119	76%	140	80%			79%	78%	90%	84%
Q37 Always treated with respect and dignity by staff	137	85%	160	85%			85%	84%	93%	89%
Q38 Given clear written information about what should / should not do post discharge	124	88%	149	85%			83%	81%	92%	87%
Q39 Staff told patient who to contact if worried post discharge	132	97%	161	94%			94%	91%	98%	94%

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

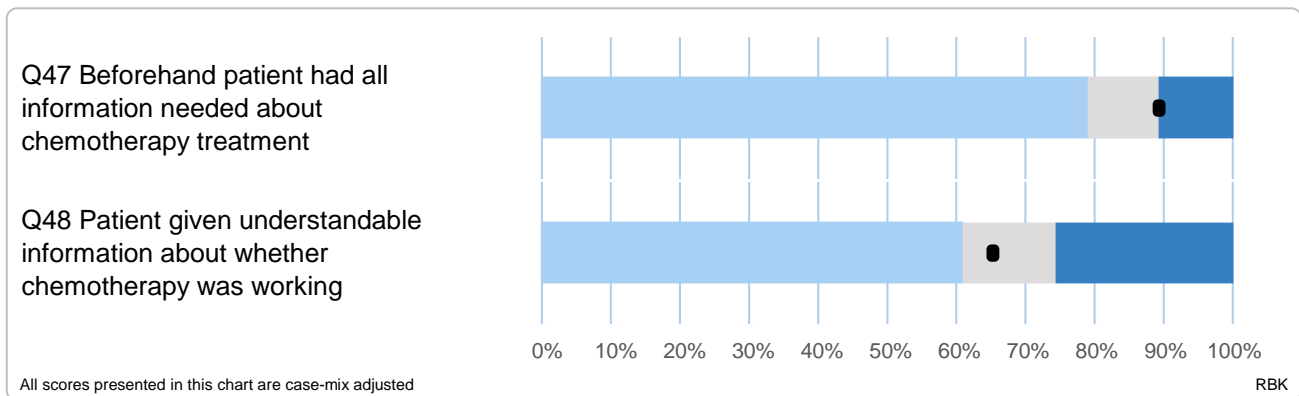


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Q41 Patient was able to discuss worries or fears with staff during visit	189	70%	234	68%			69%	65%	77%	71%
Q42 Doctor had the right notes and other documentation with them	213	95%	262	94%			94%	93%	98%	96%
Q44 Beforehand patient had all information needed about radiotherapy treatment	49	90%	55	85%			84%	77%	95%	86%
Q45 Patient given understandable information about whether radiotherapy was working	44	59%	48	44%	↓		41%	46%	73%	60%

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

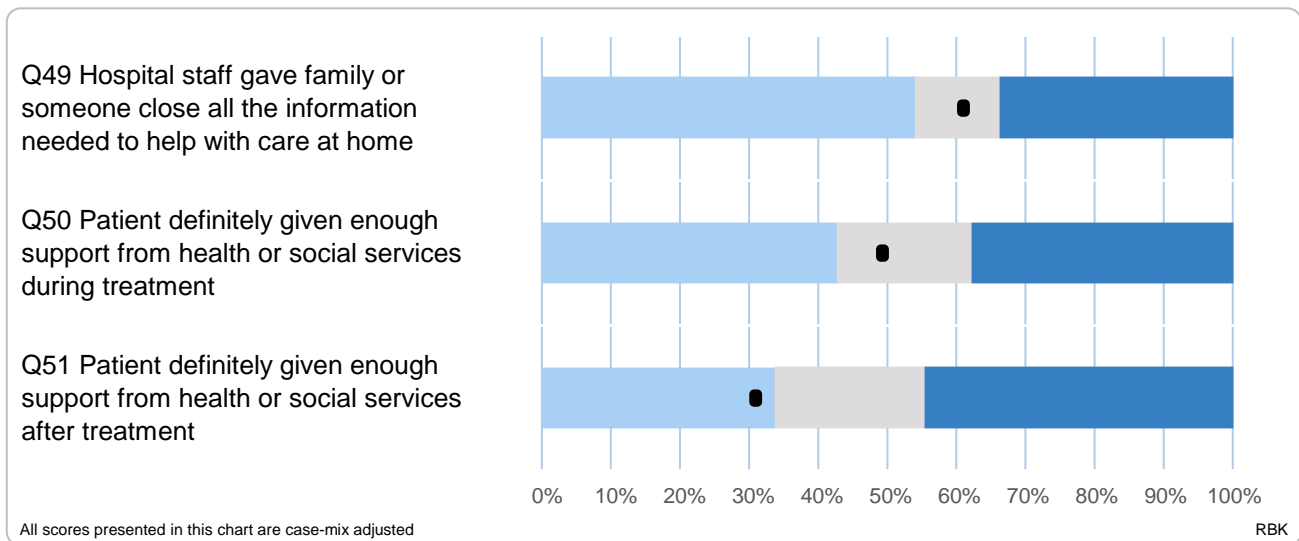


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Q47	Beforehand patient had all information needed about chemotherapy treatment	142	89%	192	89%			89%	79%	89%	84%
Q48	Patient given understandable information about whether chemotherapy was working	136	68%	182	65%			65%	61%	75%	68%

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### Home care and support



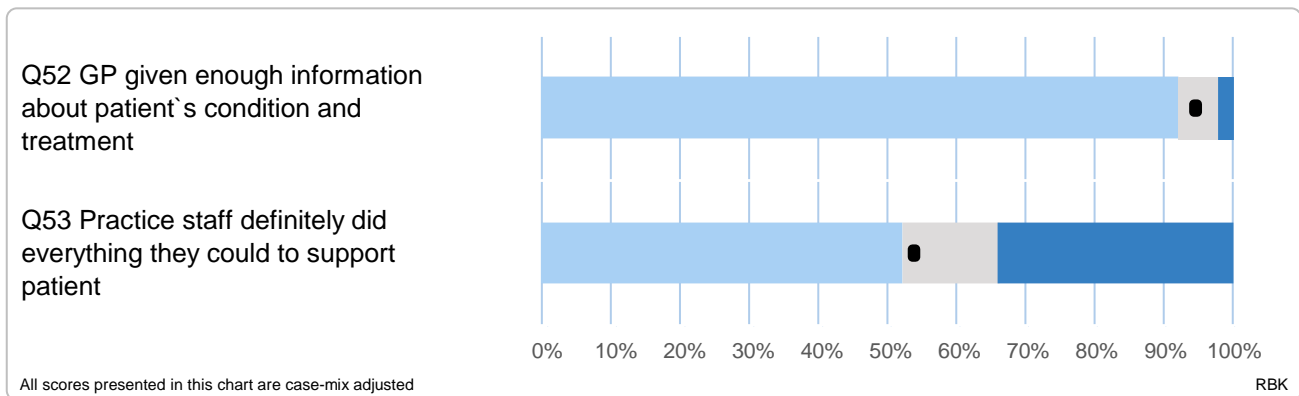
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Q49 Hospital staff gave family or someone close all the information needed to help with care at home	197	54%	242	61%			61%	54%	66%	60%
Q50 Patient definitely given enough support from health or social services during treatment	125	42%	149	48%			49%	43%	62%	53%
Q51 Patient definitely given enough support from health or social services after treatment	63	32%	82	29%			31%	34%	56%	45%

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## Trust results

### Care from your general practice

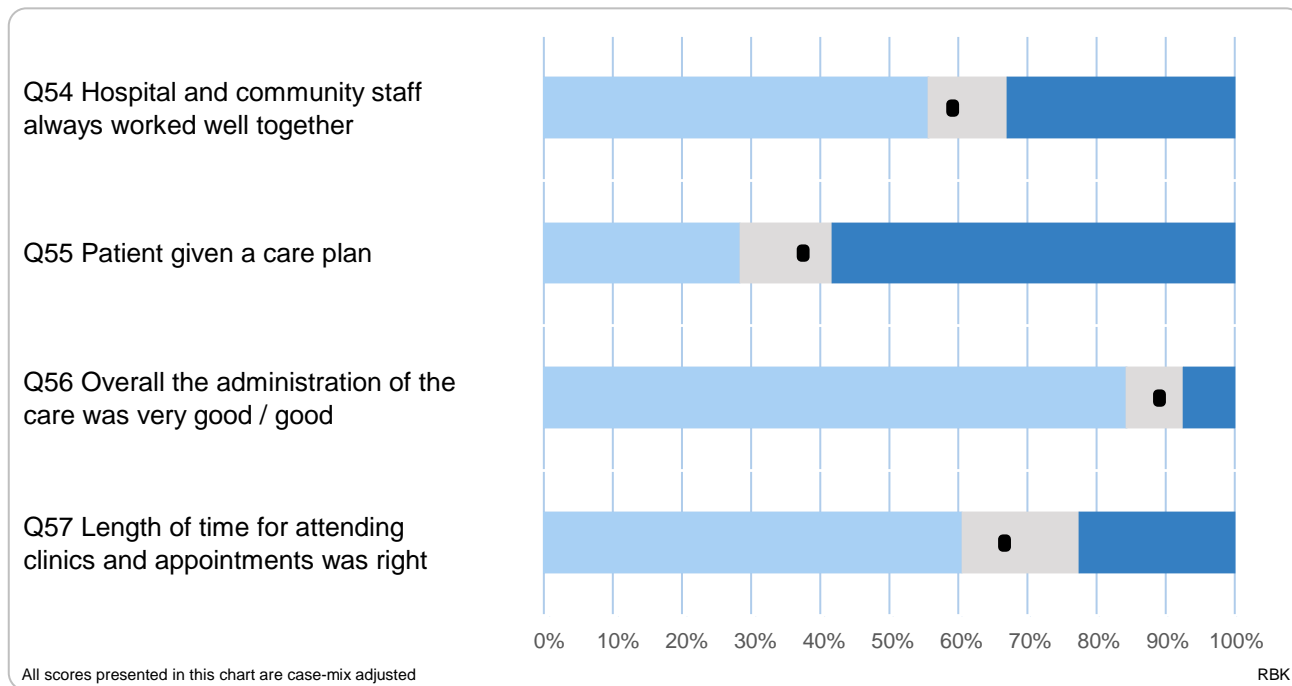


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Q52 GP given enough information about patient's condition and treatment	176	95%	214	94%			94%	92%	98%	95%
Q53 Practice staff definitely did everything they could to support patient	176	55%	192	53%			54%	52%	66%	59%

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## Trust results

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

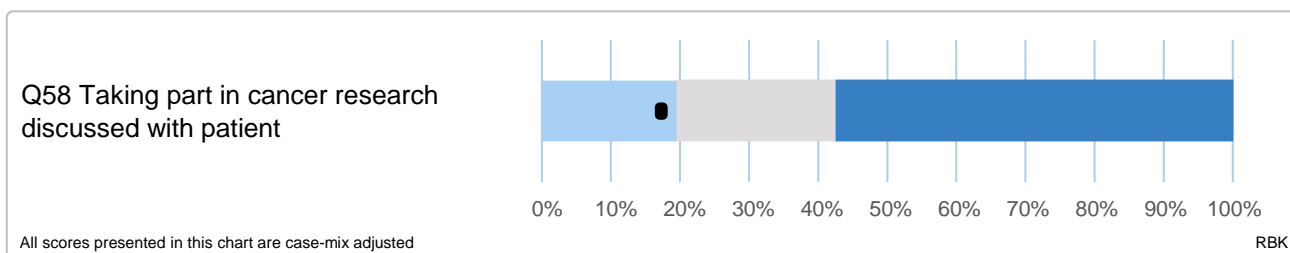


Question	Unadjusted Scores						2018 Case Mix Adjusted			
	2017		2018		Change 2017-2018	Change Overall	2018 Score	Expected range - lower	Expected range - upper	National Average Score
	Number of respondents	Score	Number of respondents	Score						
Q54 Hospital and community staff always worked well together	229	58%	282	60%			59%	56%	67%	61%
Q55 Patient given a care plan	165	39%	216	39%			37%	28%	42%	35%
Q56 Overall the administration of the care was very good / good	236	88%	288	89%			89%	84%	93%	88%
Q57 Length of time for attending clinics and appointments was right	234	68%	285	68%			66%	61%	77%	69%

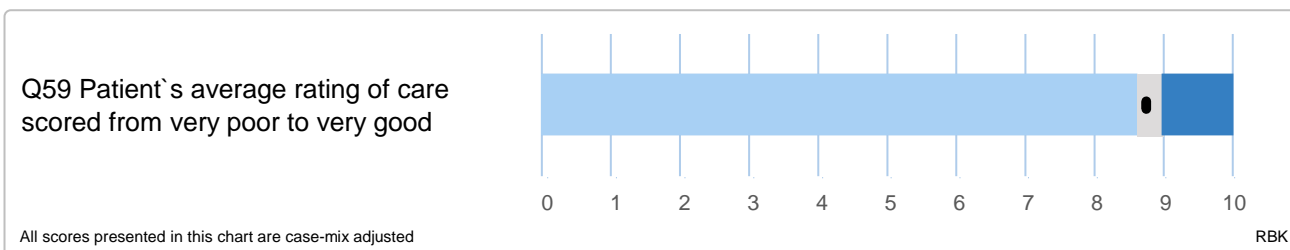
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 Change Overall: Indicates significant change overall (2015, 2016, 2017 and 2018)  
 (NB: No arrow reflects no statistically significant change)  
 \* Indicates where a score has been suppressed because there are less than 21 respondents.

## Trust results

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



Question		Unadjusted Scores				2018 Case Mix Adjusted					
		2017		2018		Change 2017-2018	Change Overall	2018 Score	Expected range - lower	Expected range - upper	National Average Score
Number of respondents	Score	Number of respondents	Score								
Q58	Taking part in cancer research discussed with patient	217	25%	265	17%			17%	20%	43%	31%



Question		Unadjusted Scores				2018 Case Mix Adjusted					
		2017		2018		Change 2017-2018	Change Overall	2018 Score	Expected range - lower	Expected range - upper	National Average Score
Number of respondents	Score	Number of respondents	Score								
Q59	Patient's average rating of care scored from very poor to very good	226	8.7	280	8.7			8.7	8.6	9.0	8.8

↑ or ↓ Change 2017-2018: Indicates where 2018 score is significantly higher or lower than 2017 score  
 Change Overall: Indicates significant change overall (2015, 2016, 2017 and 2018)  
 (NB: No arrow reflects no statistically significant change)  
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## 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 <sup>§</sup>	National	This Trust <sup>§</sup>	National
Brain / CNS	n.a.	58%	n.a.	73%
Breast	96%	94%	91%	90%
Colorectal / LGT	77%	72%	93%	83%
Gynaecological	*	75%	*	79%
Haematological	65%	64%	84%	81%
Head and Neck	n.a.	79%	n.a.	80%
Lung	*	71%	*	82%
Prostate	71%	81%	80%	85%
Sarcoma	n.a.	66%	n.a.	71%
Skin	*	90%	*	86%
Upper Gastro	*	72%	*	78%
Urological	55%	81%	78%	85%
Other	*	73%	*	79%
<b>All Cancers</b>	<b>76%</b>	<b>77%</b>	<b>84%</b>	<b>84%</b>

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

## Diagnostic tests

Cancer type	Q5. Received all the information needed about the test		Q6. The length of time waiting for the test to be done was about right		Q7. Given complete explanation of test results in understandable way	
	This Trust <sup>§</sup>	National	This Trust <sup>§</sup>	National	This Trust <sup>§</sup>	National
Brain / CNS	n.a.	92%	n.a.	83%	n.a.	71%
Breast	97%	95%	94%	91%	85%	82%
Colorectal / LGT	96%	96%	93%	87%	73%	81%
Gynaecological	*	94%	*	85%	*	77%
Haematological	100%	95%	92%	88%	83%	77%
Head and Neck	n.a.	92%	n.a.	85%	n.a.	80%
Lung	*	94%	62%	87%	67%	79%
Prostate	94%	94%	94%	86%	73%	79%
Sarcoma	n.a.	94%	n.a.	79%	n.a.	74%
Skin	*	96%	*	90%	*	83%
Upper Gastro	*	94%	*	83%	*	75%
Urological	87%	94%	82%	87%	65%	79%
Other	*	95%	*	86%	*	76%
<b>All Cancers</b>	<b>94%</b>	<b>94%</b>	<b>87%</b>	<b>88%</b>	<b>77%</b>	<b>79%</b>

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### Finding out what was wrong with you

Cancer type	Q8. Patient told they could bring a family member or friend when first told they had cancer		Q9. Patient felt they were told sensitively that they had cancer		Q10. Patient completely understood the explanation of what was wrong		Q11. Patient given easy to understand written information about the type of cancer they had	
	This Trust <sup>§</sup>	National	This Trust <sup>§</sup>	National	This Trust <sup>§</sup>	National	This Trust <sup>§</sup>	National
Brain / CNS	n.a.	85%	n.a.	77%	n.a.	59%	n.a.	63%
Breast	84%	82%	87%	89%	74%	77%	74%	78%
Colorectal / LGT	86%	82%	91%	86%	78%	79%	58%	73%
Gynaecological	*	72%	*	82%	*	73%	*	70%
Haematological	92%	73%	88%	83%	70%	61%	85%	76%
Head and Neck	n.a.	72%	n.a.	86%	n.a.	76%	n.a.	67%
Lung	*	79%	62%	82%	71%	76%	*	67%
Prostate	64%	78%	79%	85%	73%	78%	75%	82%
Sarcoma	n.a.	70%	n.a.	79%	n.a.	61%	n.a.	57%
Skin	*	71%	*	90%	*	80%	*	84%
Upper Gastro	*	79%	*	80%	*	73%	*	66%
Urological	87%	74%	81%	82%	59%	77%	72%	73%
Other	*	76%	*	82%	*	70%	*	65%
<b>All Cancers</b>	<b>82%</b>	<b>78%</b>	<b>83%</b>	<b>85%</b>	<b>71%</b>	<b>74%</b>	<b>72%</b>	<b>74%</b>

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### Deciding the best treatment for you

Cancer type	Q12. Patient felt that treatment options were completely explained		Q13. Possible side effects explained in an understandable way		Q14. Patient given practical advice and support in dealing with side effects of treatment	
	This Trust <sup>§</sup>	National	This Trust <sup>§</sup>	National	This Trust <sup>§</sup>	National
Brain / CNS	n.a.	81%	n.a.	70%	n.a.	64%
Breast	88%	84%	76%	75%	75%	69%
Colorectal / LGT	81%	85%	83%	76%	81%	70%
Gynaecological	*	85%	*	75%	*	67%
Haematological	91%	81%	74%	70%	56%	66%
Head and Neck	n.a.	85%	n.a.	74%	n.a.	70%
Lung	*	84%	71%	74%	*	69%
Prostate	66%	82%	65%	72%	66%	65%
Sarcoma	n.a.	79%	n.a.	72%	n.a.	62%
Skin	*	89%	*	80%	*	74%
Upper Gastro	*	81%	*	72%	*	68%
Urological	58%	82%	68%	71%	42%	62%
Other	*	80%	*	72%	*	64%
<b>All Cancers</b>	<b>79%</b>	<b>83%</b>	<b>74%</b>	<b>73%</b>	<b>69%</b>	<b>67%</b>

Cancer type	Q15. Patient definitely told about side effects that could affect them in the future		Q16. Patient definitely involved in decisions about care and treatment	
	This Trust <sup>§</sup>	National	This Trust <sup>§</sup>	National
Brain / CNS	n.a.	61%	n.a.	70%
Breast	59%	56%	76%	79%
Colorectal / LGT	62%	58%	82%	80%
Gynaecological	*	55%	*	79%
Haematological	38%	51%	73%	77%
Head and Neck	n.a.	62%	n.a.	79%
Lung	*	56%	*	79%
Prostate	51%	64%	67%	81%
Sarcoma	n.a.	52%	n.a.	75%
Skin	*	66%	*	87%
Upper Gastro	*	54%	*	76%
Urological	45%	53%	59%	77%
Other	*	53%	*	76%
<b>All Cancers</b>	<b>55%</b>	<b>56%</b>	<b>72%</b>	<b>79%</b>

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### Clinical Nurse Specialist

Cancer type	Q17. Patient given the name of the CNS who would support them through their treatment		Q18. Patient found it easy to contact their CNS		Q19. Get understandable answers to important questions all or most of the time	
	This Trust <sup>§</sup>	National	This Trust <sup>§</sup>	National	This Trust <sup>§</sup>	National
Brain / CNS	n.a.	94%	n.a.	82%	n.a.	84%
Breast	91%	95%	89%	85%	91%	88%
Colorectal / LGT	97%	92%	82%	88%	81%	89%
Gynaecological	*	94%	*	85%	*	88%
Haematological	97%	92%	91%	88%	90%	89%
Head and Neck	n.a.	90%	n.a.	87%	n.a.	88%
Lung	*	93%	*	87%	*	88%
Prostate	80%	90%	92%	82%	75%	87%
Sarcoma	n.a.	87%	n.a.	84%	n.a.	87%
Skin	*	91%	n.a.	89%	*	91%
Upper Gastro	*	93%	*	85%	*	87%
Urological	77%	84%	*	82%	*	87%
Other	*	88%	*	85%	*	87%
<b>All Cancers</b>	<b>90%</b>	<b>91%</b>	<b>88%</b>	<b>85%</b>	<b>86%</b>	<b>88%</b>

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Support for people with cancer

Cancer type	Q20. Hospital staff gave information about support groups		Q21. Hospital staff gave information about impact cancer could have on day to day activities		Q22. Hospital staff gave information on getting financial help		Q23. Hospital staff told patient they could get free prescriptions	
	This Trust <sup>§</sup>	National	This Trust <sup>§</sup>	National	This Trust <sup>§</sup>	National	This Trust <sup>§</sup>	National
Brain / CNS	n.a.	85%	n.a.	82%	n.a.	70%	n.a.	79%
Breast	96%	91%	81%	86%	80%	65%	89%	82%
Colorectal / LGT	93%	86%	90%	84%	71%	58%	*	83%
Gynaecological	*	85%	*	82%	*	61%	*	77%
Haematological	86%	86%	*	84%	56%	62%	*	87%
Head and Neck	n.a.	86%	n.a.	83%	n.a.	60%	n.a.	82%
Lung	*	86%	*	81%	*	71%	*	85%
Prostate	83%	89%	74%	85%	52%	51%	*	79%
Sarcoma	n.a.	79%	n.a.	71%	n.a.	56%	n.a.	75%
Skin	*	89%	n.a.	84%	n.a.	60%	n.a.	72%
Upper Gastro	*	84%	*	81%	*	63%	*	84%
Urological	*	79%	*	75%	*	44%	*	68%
Other	*	82%	*	78%	*	58%	*	80%
<b>All Cancers</b>	<b>91%</b>	<b>86%</b>	<b>78%</b>	<b>83%</b>	<b>72%</b>	<b>60%</b>	<b>88%</b>	<b>81%</b>

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## Operations

Cancer type	Q25. Beforehand had all the information needed about the operation		Q26. Staff explained how operation had gone in understandable way	
	This Trust <sup>§</sup>	National	This Trust <sup>§</sup>	National
Brain / CNS	n.a.	94%	n.a.	70%
Breast	96%	96%	76%	79%
Colorectal / LGT	*	96%	*	83%
Gynaecological	*	96%	*	81%
Haematological	*	94%	*	77%
Head and Neck	n.a.	95%	n.a.	78%
Lung	*	95%	*	78%
Prostate	*	95%	*	75%
Sarcoma	n.a.	94%	n.a.	78%
Skin	*	97%	*	84%
Upper Gastro	*	95%	*	80%
Urological	*	95%	*	76%
Other	*	95%	*	78%
<b>All Cancers</b>	<b>95%</b>	<b>96%</b>	<b>74%</b>	<b>79%</b>

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Hospital care as an inpatient (Part 1 of 2)

Cancer type	Q28. Groups of doctors or nurses did not talk in front of patient as if they were not there		Q29. Patient had confidence and trust in all doctors treating them		Q30. Patient's family or someone close definitely had opportunity to talk to doctor		Q31. Patient had confidence and trust in all ward nurses	
	This Trust <sup>§</sup>	National	This Trust <sup>§</sup>	National	This Trust <sup>§</sup>	National	This Trust <sup>§</sup>	National
Brain / CNS	n.a.	73%	n.a.	77%	n.a.	66%	n.a.	67%
Breast	89%	89%	86%	86%	89%	77%	77%	77%
Colorectal / LGT	55%	77%	82%	86%	71%	73%	45%	71%
Gynaecological	*	85%	*	86%	*	72%	*	73%
Haematological	*	81%	*	81%	*	74%	*	76%
Head and Neck	n.a.	79%	n.a.	86%	n.a.	75%	n.a.	74%
Lung	*	77%	*	83%	*	74%	*	76%
Prostate	*	86%	*	89%	*	73%	*	80%
Sarcoma	n.a.	80%	n.a.	84%	n.a.	72%	n.a.	68%
Skin	n.a.	89%	n.a.	90%	n.a.	81%	n.a.	87%
Upper Gastro	*	74%	*	82%	*	73%	*	71%
Urological	*	80%	*	87%	*	70%	*	78%
Other	*	80%	*	82%	*	71%	*	72%
<b>All Cancers</b>	<b>83%</b>	<b>82%</b>	<b>81%</b>	<b>85%</b>	<b>78%</b>	<b>74%</b>	<b>67%</b>	<b>75%</b>

Cancer type	Q32. Always / nearly always enough nurses on duty		Q33. All staff asked patient what name they preferred to be called by		Q34. Always given enough privacy when discussing condition or treatment		Q35. Patient was able to discuss worries or fears with staff during visit	
	This Trust <sup>§</sup>	National	This Trust <sup>§</sup>	National	This Trust <sup>§</sup>	National	This Trust <sup>§</sup>	National
Brain / CNS	n.a.	57%	n.a.	68%	n.a.	77%	n.a.	40%
Breast	77%	71%	61%	64%	94%	87%	69%	56%
Colorectal / LGT	*	62%	57%	71%	77%	85%	*	54%
Gynaecological	*	67%	*	67%	*	84%	*	51%
Haematological	*	64%	*	71%	*	86%	*	55%
Head and Neck	n.a.	66%	n.a.	69%	n.a.	87%	n.a.	55%
Lung	*	70%	*	74%	*	85%	*	52%
Prostate	*	73%	*	69%	*	88%	*	51%
Sarcoma	n.a.	64%	n.a.	66%	n.a.	85%	n.a.	46%
Skin	n.a.	80%	n.a.	72%	n.a.	91%	n.a.	59%
Upper Gastro	*	61%	*	75%	*	84%	*	51%
Urological	*	69%	*	73%	*	85%	*	47%
Other	*	62%	*	68%	*	82%	*	48%
<b>All Cancers</b>	<b>62%</b>	<b>67%</b>	<b>60%</b>	<b>69%</b>	<b>84%</b>	<b>86%</b>	<b>53%</b>	<b>53%</b>

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



Hospital care as an inpatient (Part 2 of 2)

Cancer type	Q36. Hospital staff definitely did everything to help control pain		Q37. Always treated with respect and dignity by staff		Q38. Given clear written information about what should / should not do post discharge		Q39. Staff told patient who to contact if worried post discharge	
	This Trust <sup>§</sup>	National	This Trust <sup>§</sup>	National	This Trust <sup>§</sup>	National	This Trust <sup>§</sup>	National
Brain / CNS	n.a.	82%	n.a.	84%	n.a.	86%	n.a.	94%
Breast	90%	86%	94%	89%	93%	92%	97%	96%
Colorectal / LGT	68%	85%	71%	87%	*	84%	90%	94%
Gynaecological	*	83%	*	87%	*	88%	*	95%
Haematological	*	83%	*	90%	*	81%	*	95%
Head and Neck	n.a.	83%	n.a.	87%	n.a.	88%	n.a.	93%
Lung	*	84%	*	89%	*	84%	*	92%
Prostate	*	84%	*	91%	*	90%	*	95%
Sarcoma	n.a.	80%	n.a.	85%	n.a.	81%	n.a.	94%
Skin	n.a.	88%	n.a.	93%	n.a.	91%	n.a.	96%
Upper Gastro	*	82%	*	86%	*	82%	*	94%
Urological	*	81%	*	89%	*	86%	*	91%
Other	*	81%	*	87%	*	83%	*	92%
<b>All Cancers</b>	<b>80%</b>	<b>84%</b>	<b>85%</b>	<b>89%</b>	<b>85%</b>	<b>87%</b>	<b>94%</b>	<b>94%</b>

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### Hospital care as a day patient / outpatient

Cancer type	Q41. Patient was able to discuss worries or fears with staff during visit		Q42. Doctor had the right notes and other documentation with them		Q44. Beforehand patient had all information needed about radiotherapy treatment		Q45. Patient given understandable information about whether radiotherapy was working	
	This Trust <sup>§</sup>	National	This Trust <sup>§</sup>	National	This Trust <sup>§</sup>	National	This Trust <sup>§</sup>	National
Brain / CNS	n.a.	64%	n.a.	94%	n.a.	88%	n.a.	47%
Breast	72%	70%	93%	96%	89%	88%	50%	61%
Colorectal / LGT	58%	73%	93%	96%	*	84%	*	57%
Gynaecological	*	71%	*	96%	*	86%	*	61%
Haematological	59%	74%	94%	96%	*	83%	*	59%
Head and Neck	n.a.	73%	n.a.	96%	n.a.	86%	n.a.	61%
Lung	*	69%	*	95%	*	85%	*	56%
Prostate	65%	73%	97%	95%	*	87%	*	61%
Sarcoma	n.a.	63%	n.a.	94%	n.a.	82%	n.a.	65%
Skin	*	74%	*	97%	n.a.	85%	n.a.	72%
Upper Gastro	*	70%	*	95%	n.a.	82%	n.a.	53%
Urological	*	67%	100%	95%	*	82%	*	55%
Other	*	68%	*	95%	*	85%	*	60%
<b>All Cancers</b>	<b>68%</b>	<b>71%</b>	<b>94%</b>	<b>96%</b>	<b>85%</b>	<b>86%</b>	<b>44%</b>	<b>60%</b>

Cancer type	Q47. Beforehand patient had all information needed about chemotherapy treatment		Q48. Patient given understandable information about whether chemotherapy was working	
	This Trust <sup>§</sup>	National	This Trust <sup>§</sup>	National
Brain / CNS	n.a.	79%	n.a.	50%
Breast	89%	83%	63%	64%
Colorectal / LGT	90%	85%	73%	64%
Gynaecological	*	86%	*	68%
Haematological	83%	85%	71%	75%
Head and Neck	n.a.	79%	n.a.	54%
Lung	*	84%	*	67%
Prostate	*	85%	*	68%
Sarcoma	n.a.	83%	n.a.	67%
Skin	n.a.	86%	n.a.	79%
Upper Gastro	*	84%	*	61%
Urological	*	82%	*	65%
Other	*	85%	*	70%
<b>All Cancers</b>	<b>89%</b>	<b>84%</b>	<b>65%</b>	<b>68%</b>

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### Home care and support

Cancer type	Q49. Hospital staff gave family or someone close all the information needed to help with care at home		Q50. Patient definitely given enough support from health or social services during treatment		Q51. Patient definitely given enough support from health or social services after treatment	
	This Trust <sup>§</sup>	National	This Trust <sup>§</sup>	National	This Trust <sup>§</sup>	National
Brain / CNS	n.a.	60%	n.a.	50%	n.a.	48%
Breast	61%	59%	51%	54%	28%	42%
Colorectal / LGT	57%	63%	*	60%	*	52%
Gynaecological	*	59%	*	47%	*	38%
Haematological	70%	63%	*	52%	*	44%
Head and Neck	n.a.	63%	n.a.	56%	n.a.	53%
Lung	*	60%	*	52%	*	43%
Prostate	55%	60%	*	46%	*	40%
Sarcoma	n.a.	55%	n.a.	49%	n.a.	45%
Skin	*	67%	n.a.	60%	n.a.	59%
Upper Gastro	*	60%	*	53%	*	48%
Urological	59%	59%	*	47%	*	44%
Other	*	56%	*	52%	*	44%
<b>All Cancers</b>	<b>61%</b>	<b>60%</b>	<b>48%</b>	<b>53%</b>	<b>29%</b>	<b>45%</b>

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

Care from your general practice

Cancer type	Q52. GP given enough information about patient's condition and treatment		Q53. Practice staff definitely did everything they could to support patient	
	This Trust <sup>§</sup>	National	This Trust <sup>§</sup>	National
Brain / CNS	n.a.	88%	n.a.	51%
Breast	100%	96%	51%	59%
Colorectal / LGT	86%	95%	*	58%
Gynaecological	*	95%	*	57%
Haematological	93%	95%	73%	58%
Head and Neck	n.a.	93%	n.a.	58%
Lung	*	94%	*	58%
Prostate	86%	95%	50%	64%
Sarcoma	n.a.	95%	n.a.	53%
Skin	*	97%	n.a.	67%
Upper Gastro	*	94%	*	58%
Urological	*	95%	*	61%
Other	*	94%	*	56%
<b>All Cancers</b>	<b>94%</b>	<b>95%</b>	<b>53%</b>	<b>59%</b>

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Your overall NHS care

Cancer type	Q54. Hospital and community staff always worked well together		Q55. Patient given a care plan		Q56. Overall the administration of the care was very good / good		Q57. Length of time for attending clinics and appointments was right	
	This Trust <sup>§</sup>	National	This Trust <sup>§</sup>	National	This Trust <sup>§</sup>	National	This Trust <sup>§</sup>	National
Brain / CNS	n.a.	45%	n.a.	33%	n.a.	84%	n.a.	59%
Breast	67%	61%	56%	39%	94%	90%	71%	68%
Colorectal / LGT	40%	61%	48%	38%	83%	88%	66%	72%
Gynaecological	*	58%	*	31%	*	87%	*	69%
Haematological	61%	64%	25%	35%	86%	91%	64%	66%
Head and Neck	n.a.	61%	n.a.	37%	n.a.	88%	n.a.	71%
Lung	*	62%	*	31%	86%	89%	71%	71%
Prostate	61%	65%	41%	36%	88%	87%	67%	75%
Sarcoma	n.a.	54%	n.a.	28%	n.a.	86%	n.a.	64%
Skin	*	71%	*	42%	*	91%	*	73%
Upper Gastro	*	59%	*	35%	*	86%	*	68%
Urological	58%	62%	21%	30%	78%	85%	78%	75%
Other	*	57%	*	30%	*	87%	*	63%
<b>All Cancers</b>	<b>60%</b>	<b>61%</b>	<b>39%</b>	<b>35%</b>	<b>89%</b>	<b>88%</b>	<b>68%</b>	<b>69%</b>

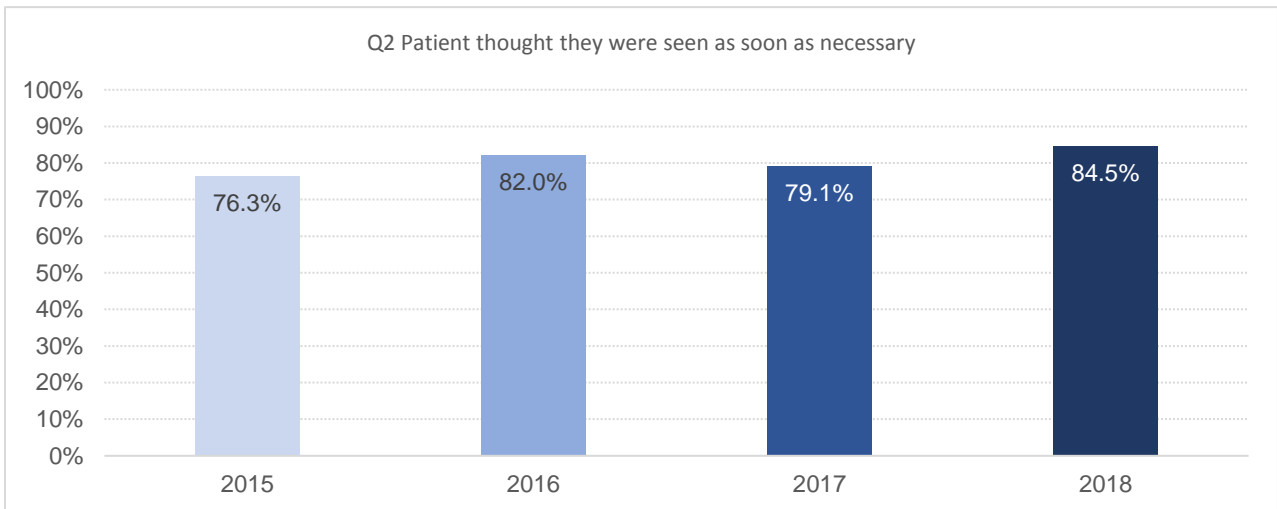
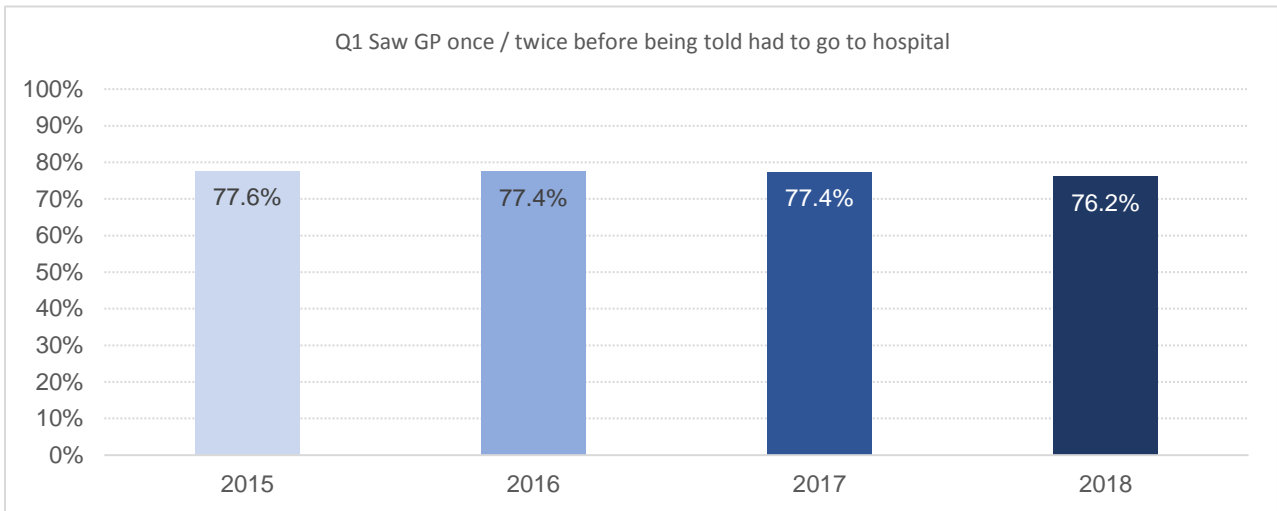
Cancer type	Q58. Taking part in cancer research discussed with patient		Q59. Patient's average rating of care scored from very poor to very good	
	This Trust <sup>§</sup>	National	This Trust <sup>§</sup>	National
Brain / CNS	n.a.	39%	n.a.	8.4
Breast	13%	31%	9.0	8.9
Colorectal / LGT	19%	33%	8.7	8.8
Gynaecological	*	37%	*	8.8
Haematological	10%	32%	8.8	8.9
Head and Neck	n.a.	23%	n.a.	8.8
Lung	*	35%	*	8.8
Prostate	21%	33%	8.5	8.8
Sarcoma	n.a.	40%	n.a.	8.6
Skin	*	16%	*	9.0
Upper Gastro	*	35%	*	8.7
Urological	0%	21%	8.4	8.7
Other	*	32%	*	8.7
<b>All Cancers</b>	<b>17%</b>	<b>31%</b>	<b>8.7</b>	<b>8.8</b>

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

### Year on Year Scores

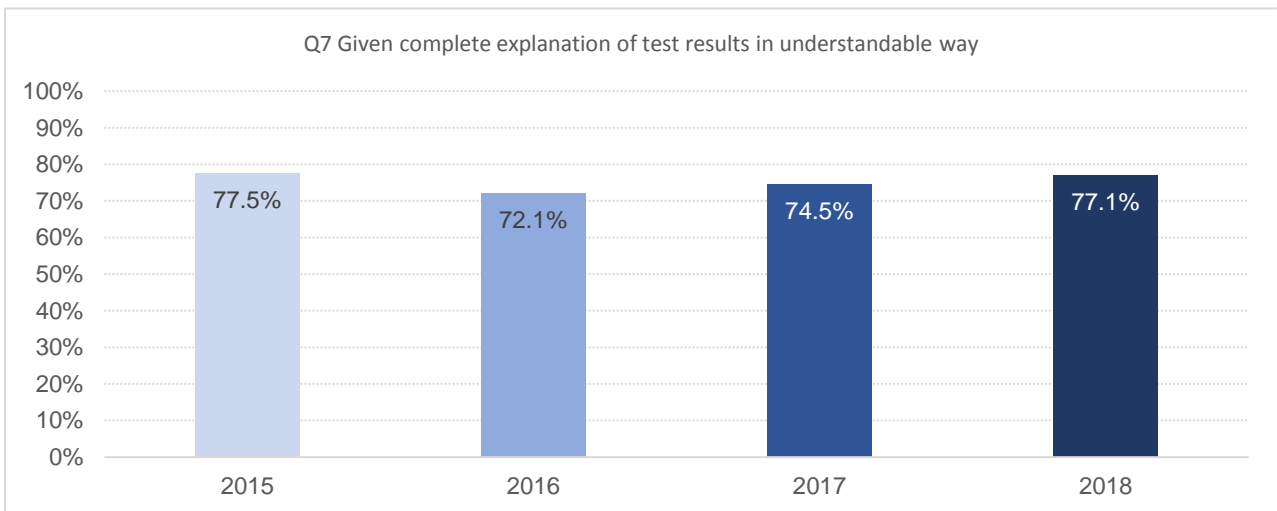
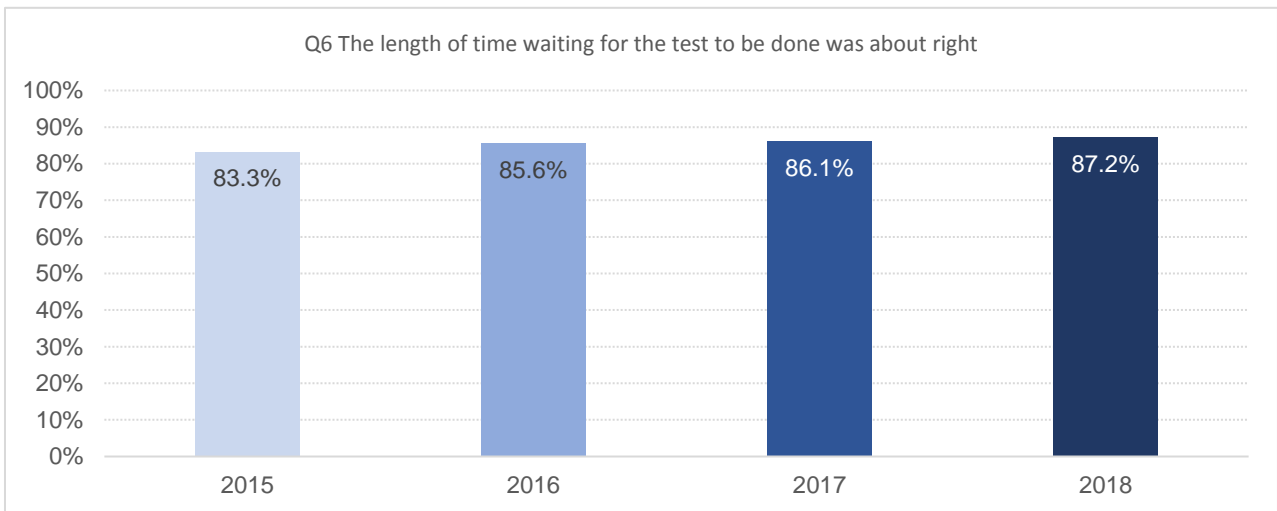
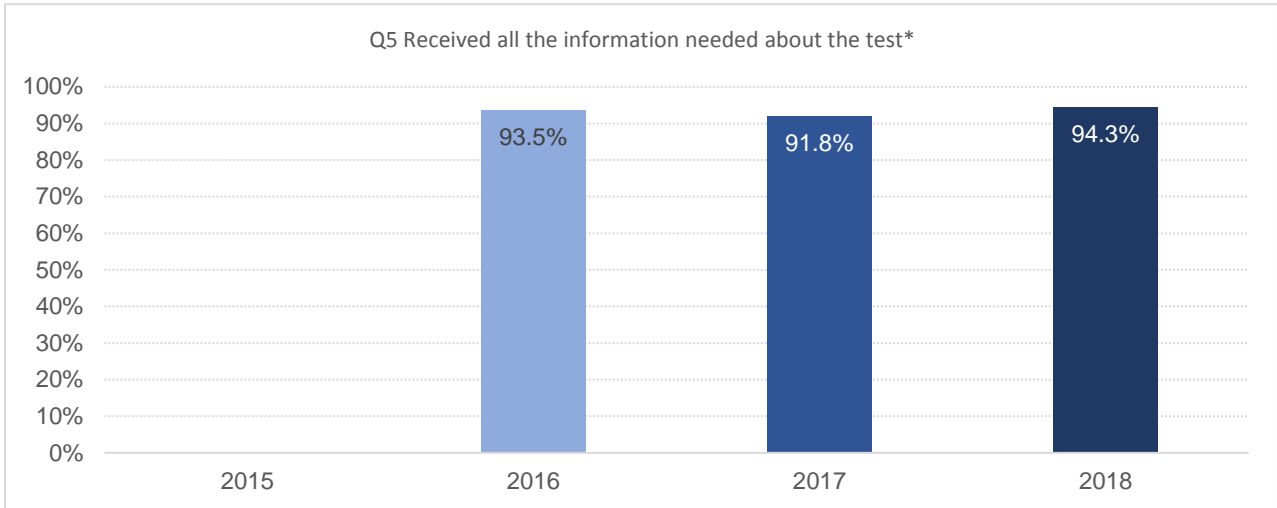
The charts below present the unadjusted scores for this Trust from 2015, 2016, 2017 and 2018.

#### Seeing your GP



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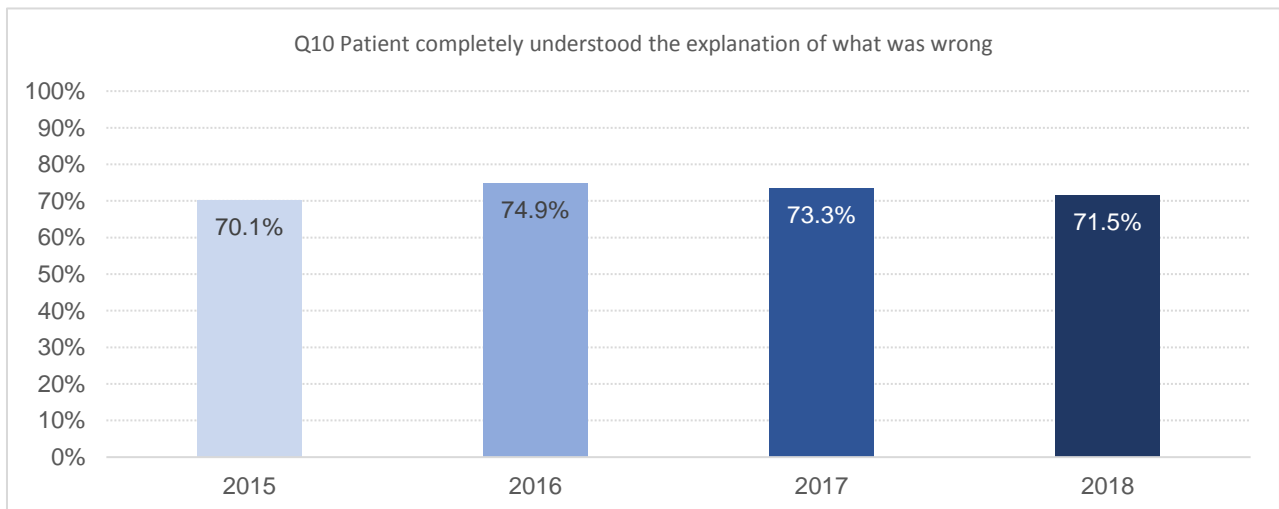
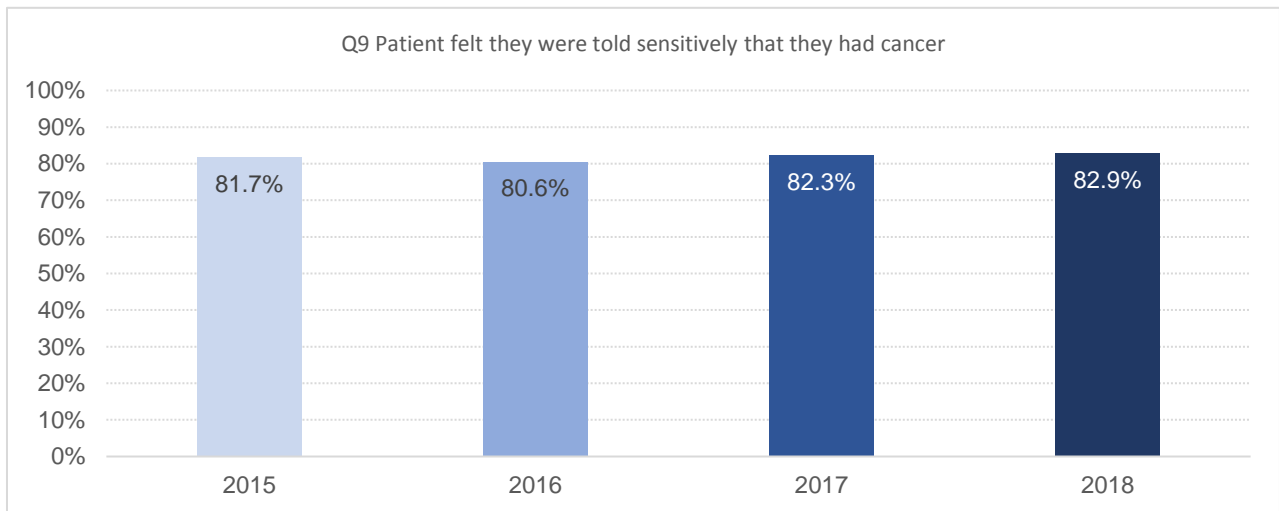
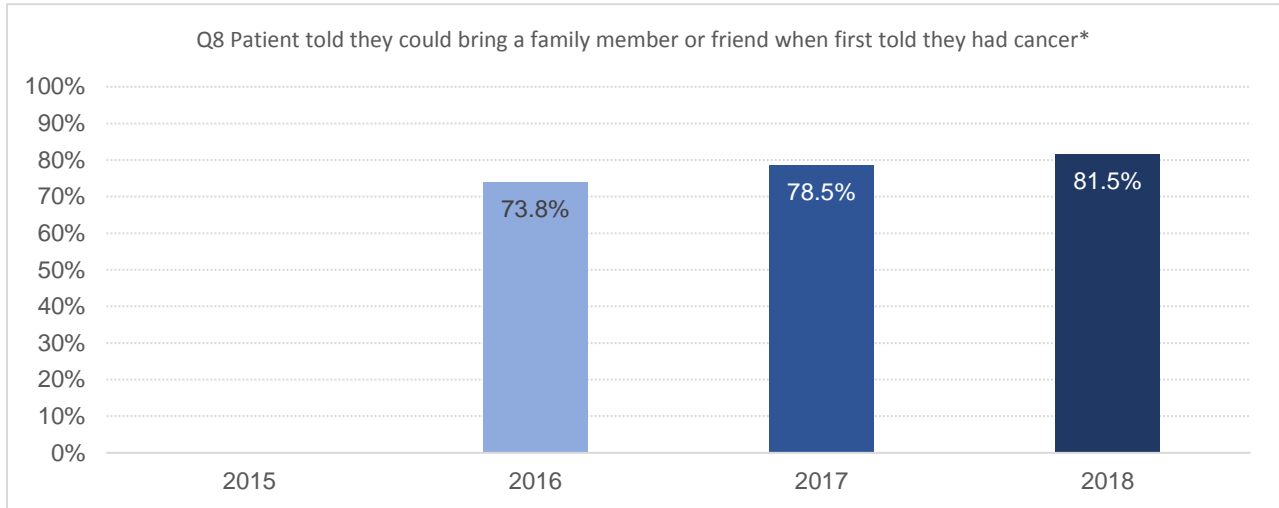
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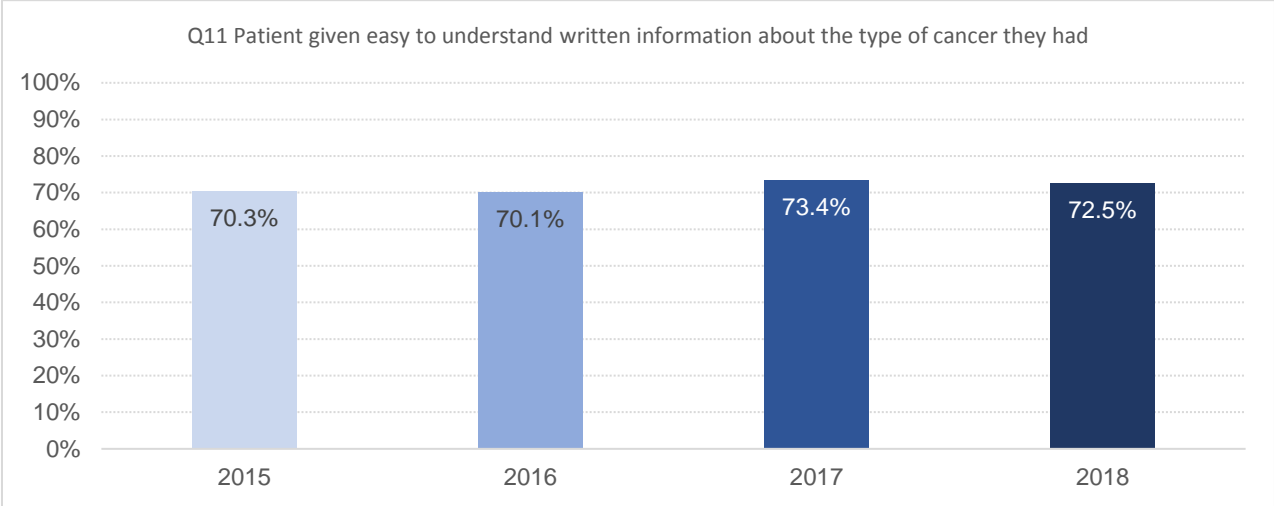


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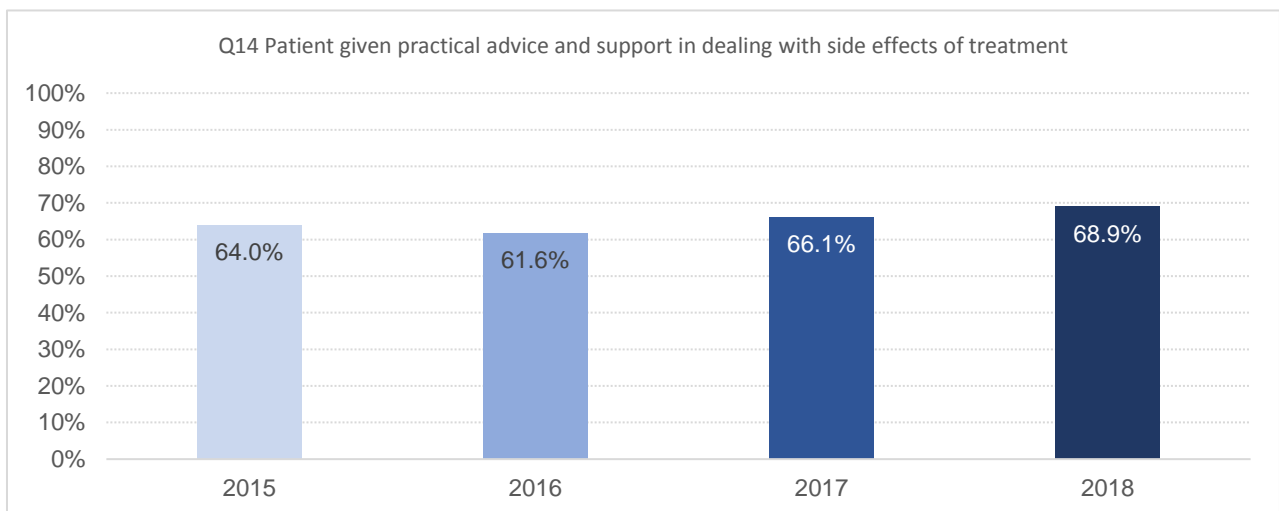
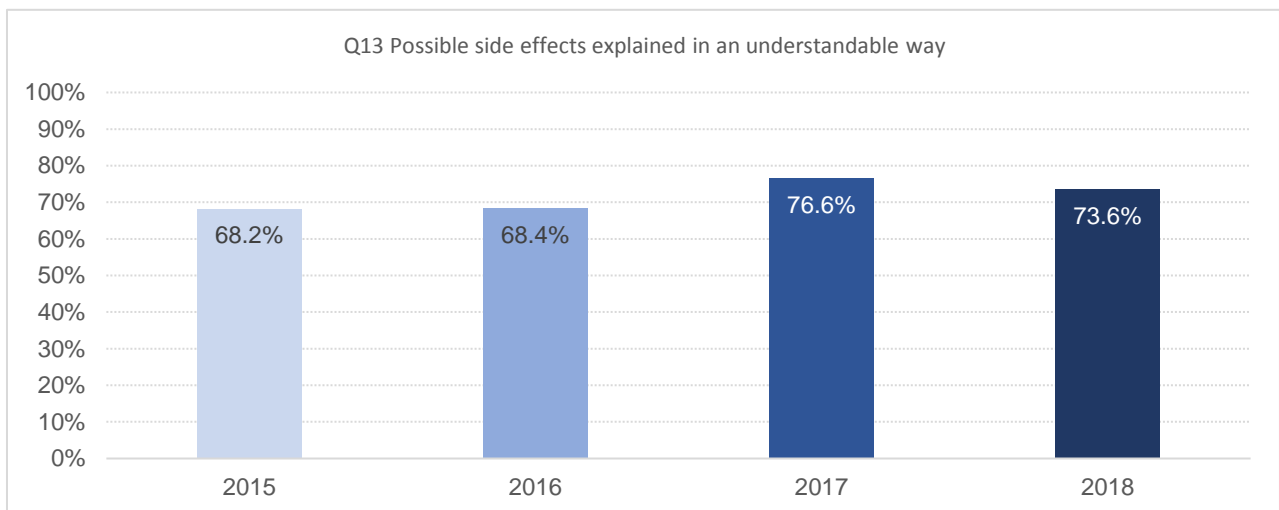
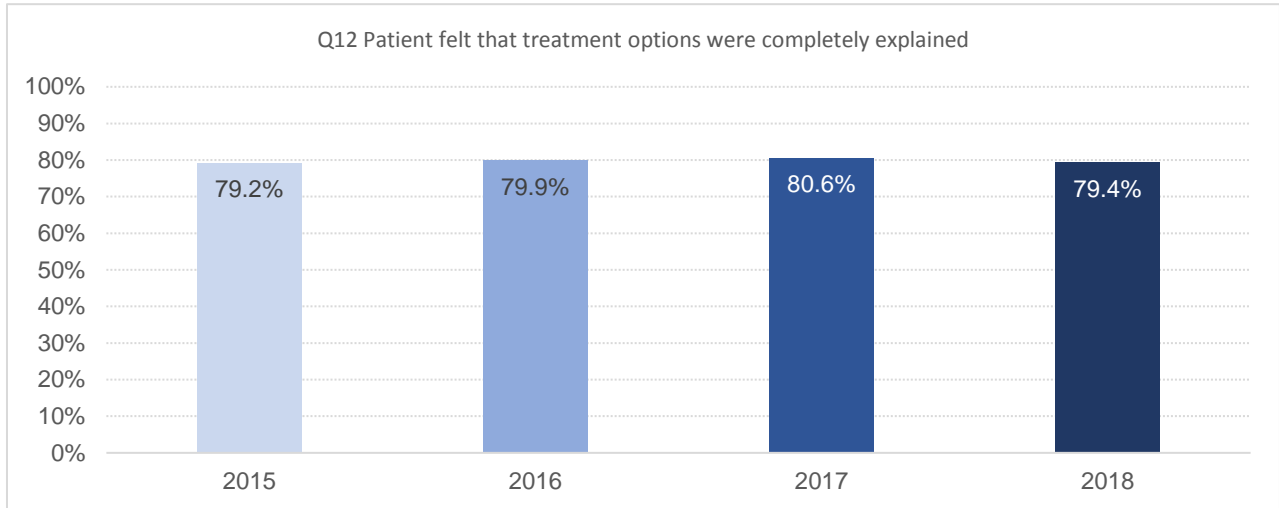


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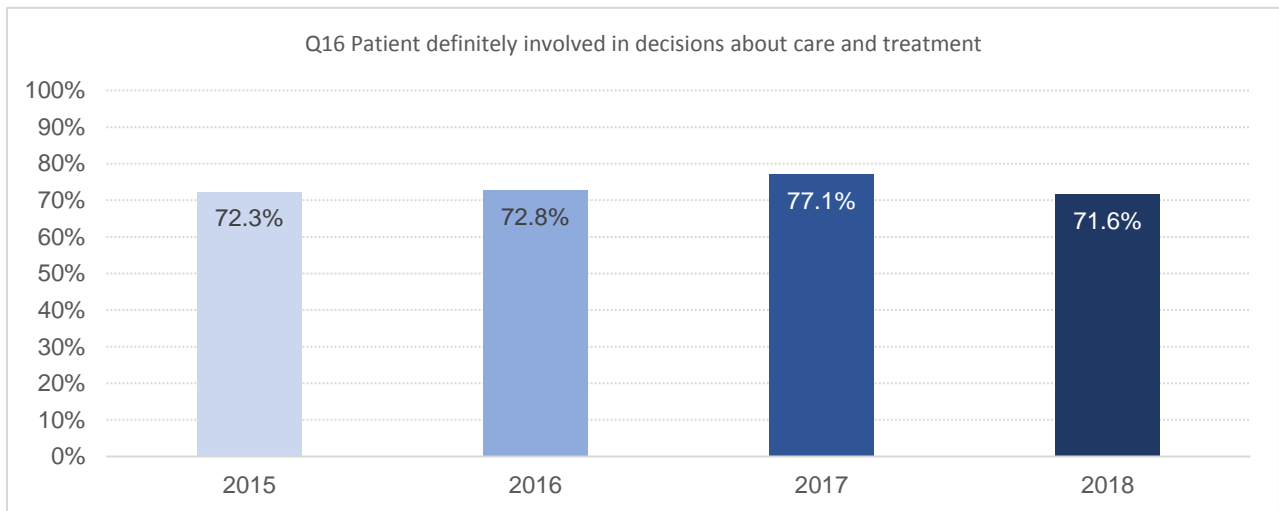
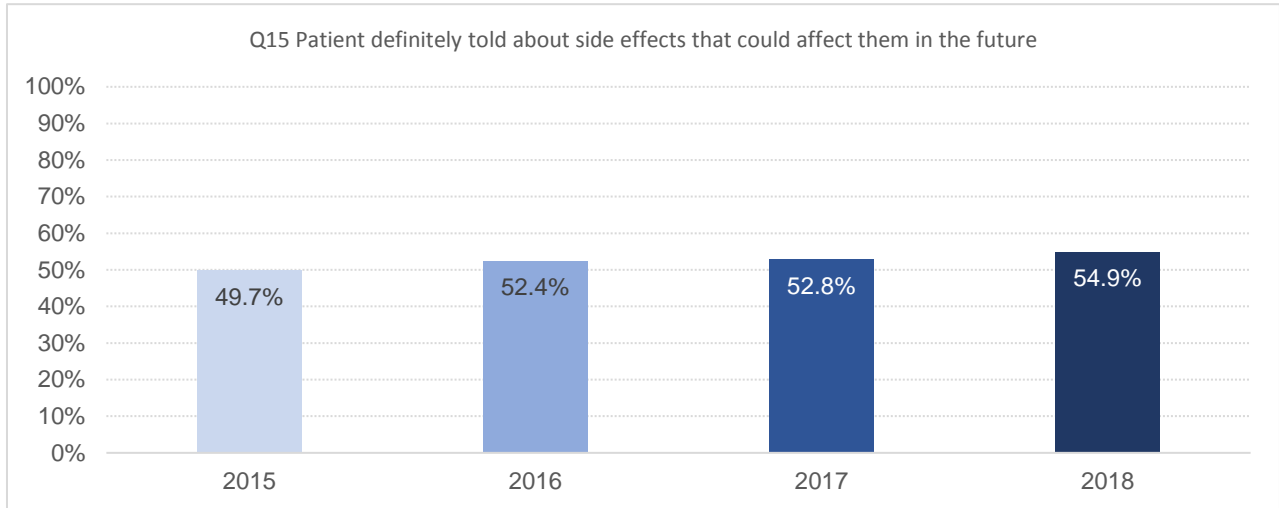
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### Deciding the best treatment for you



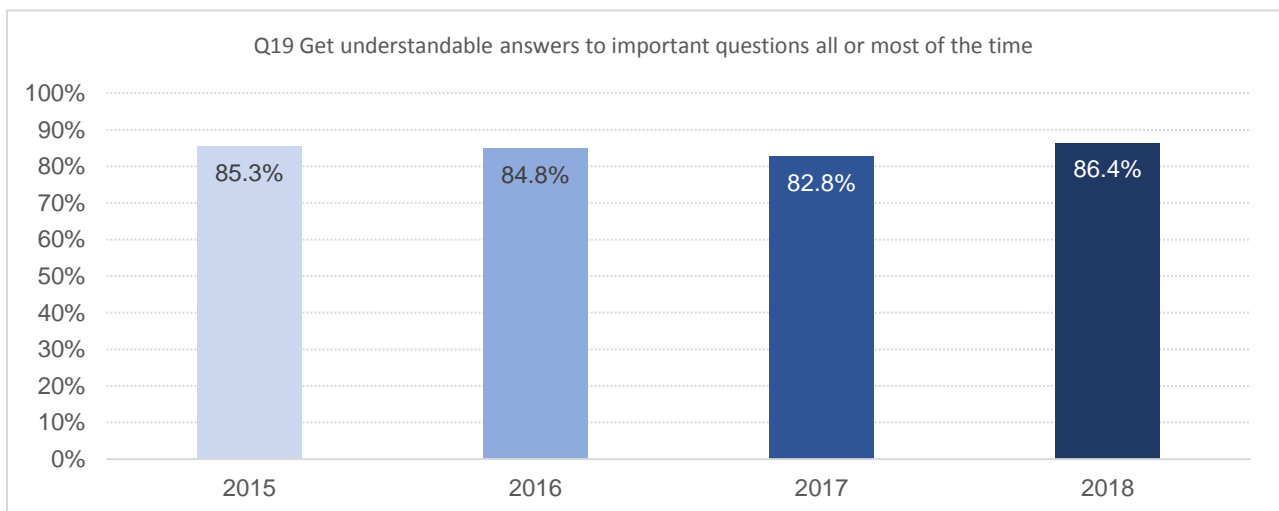
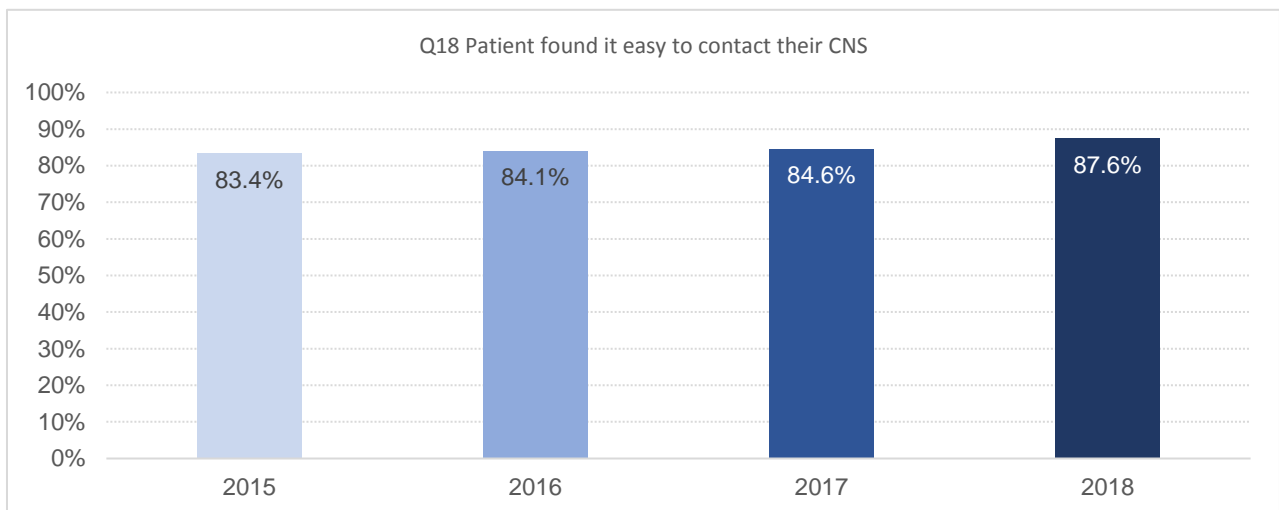
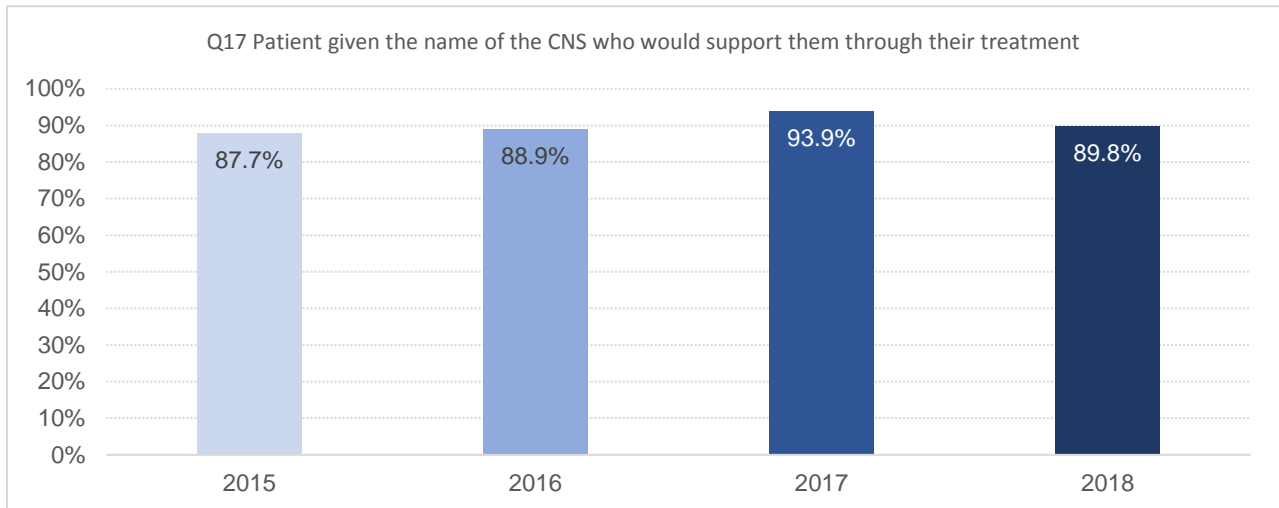
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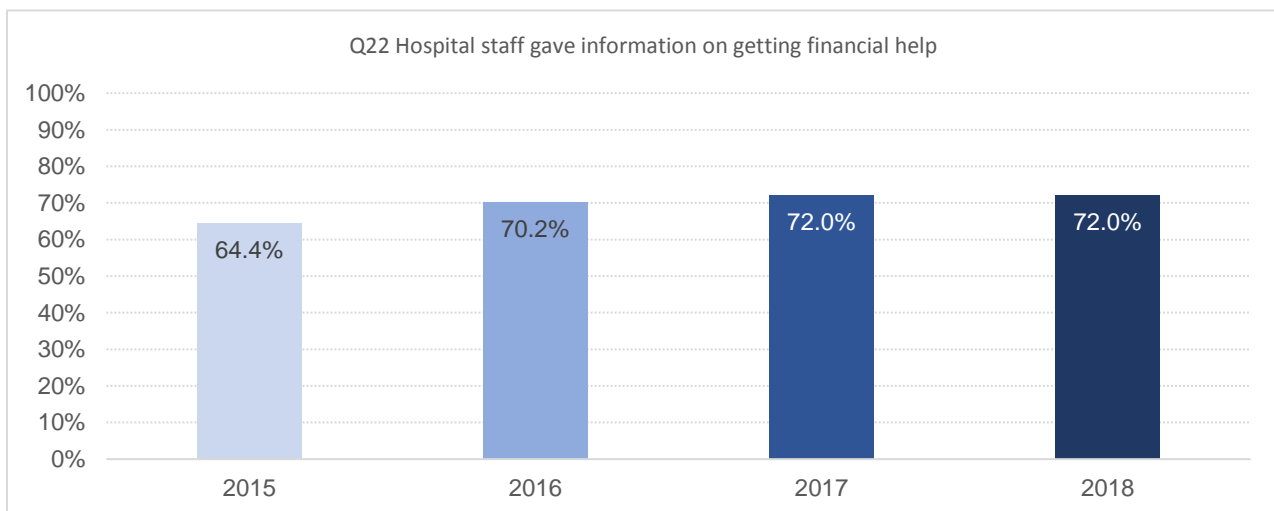
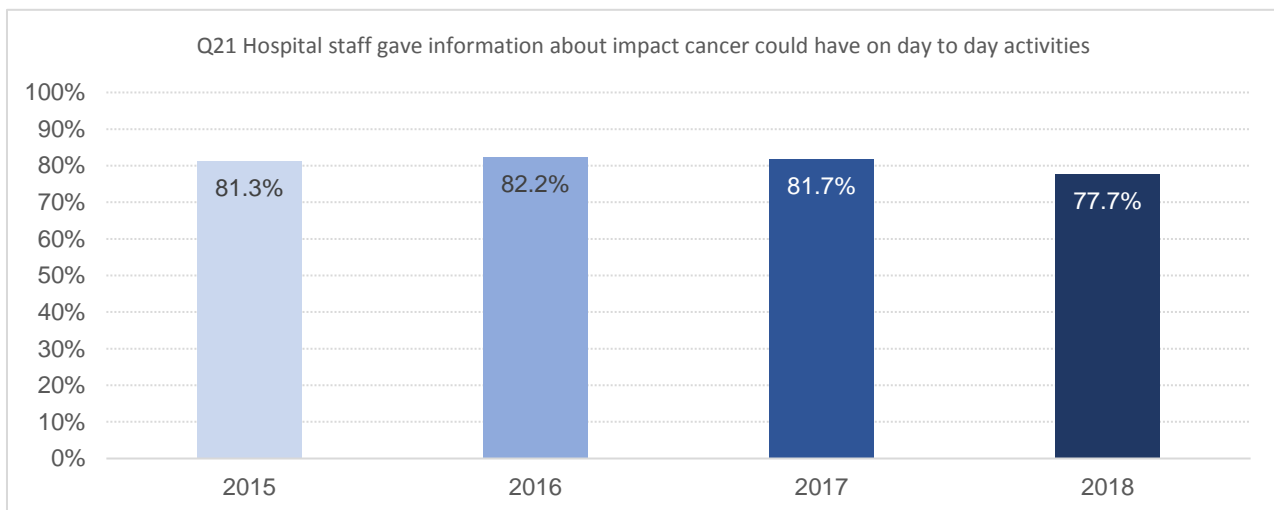
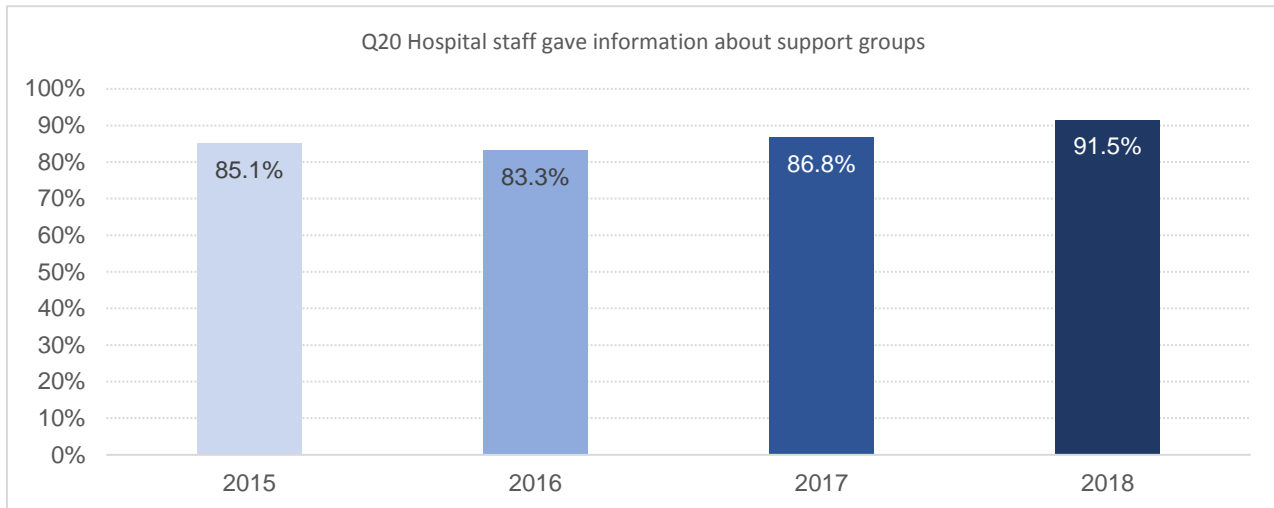
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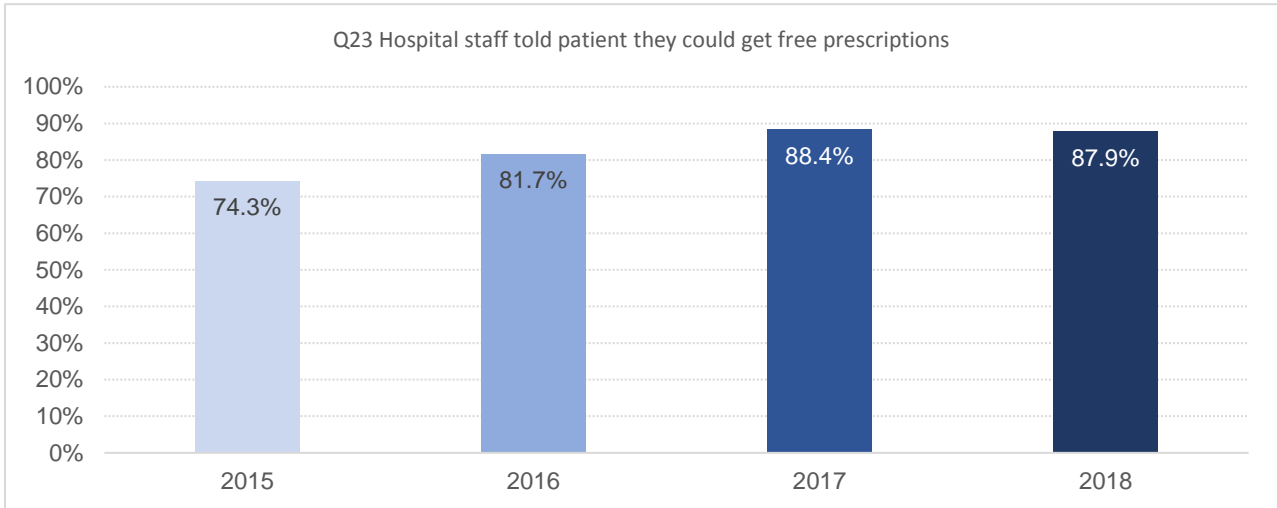
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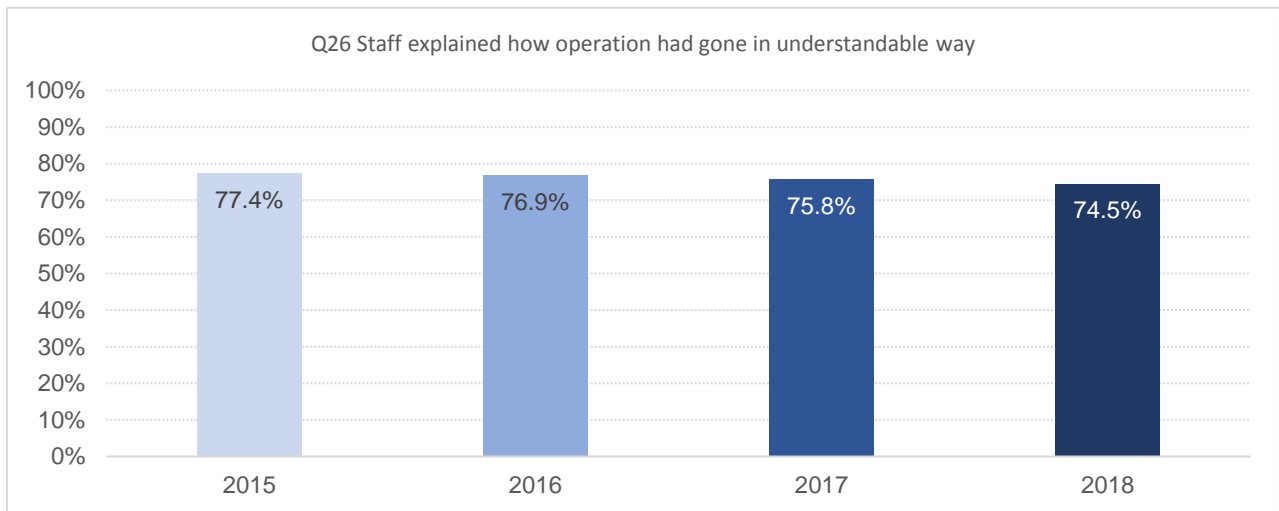
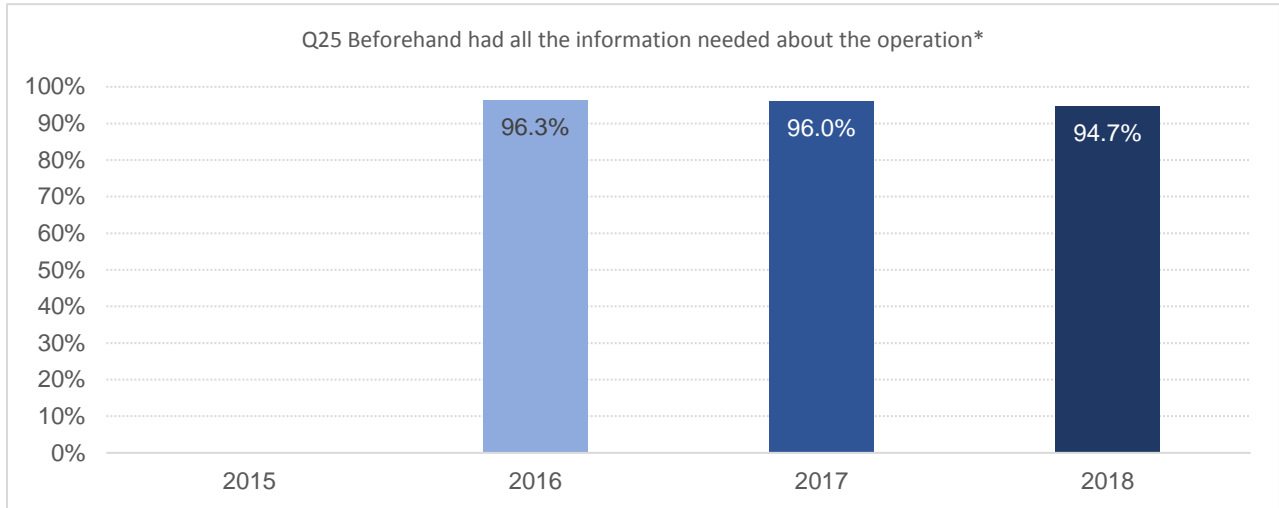
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Support for people with cancer (continued)



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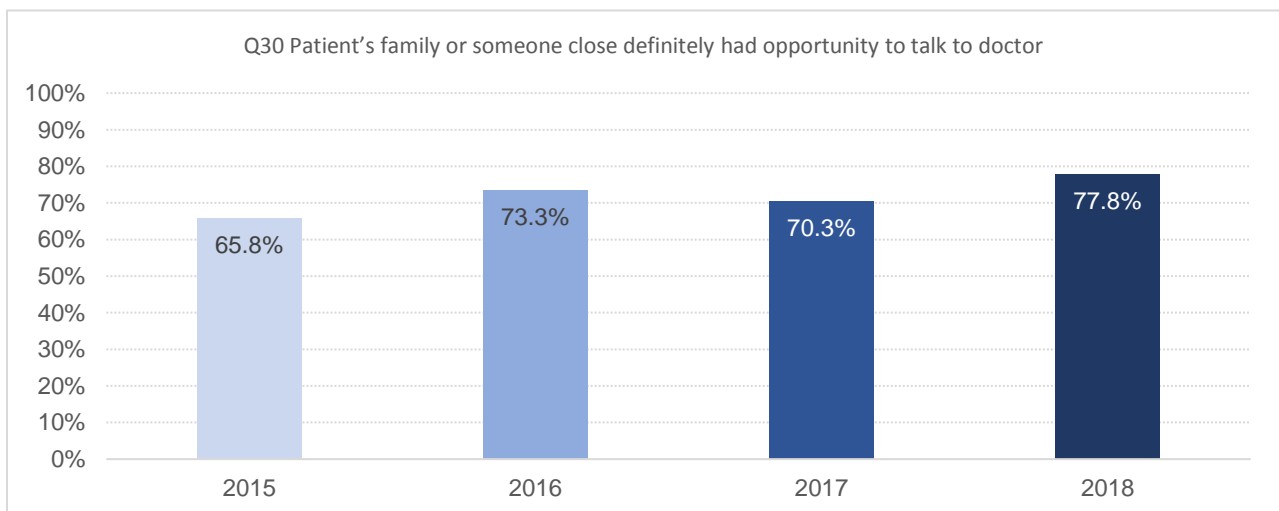
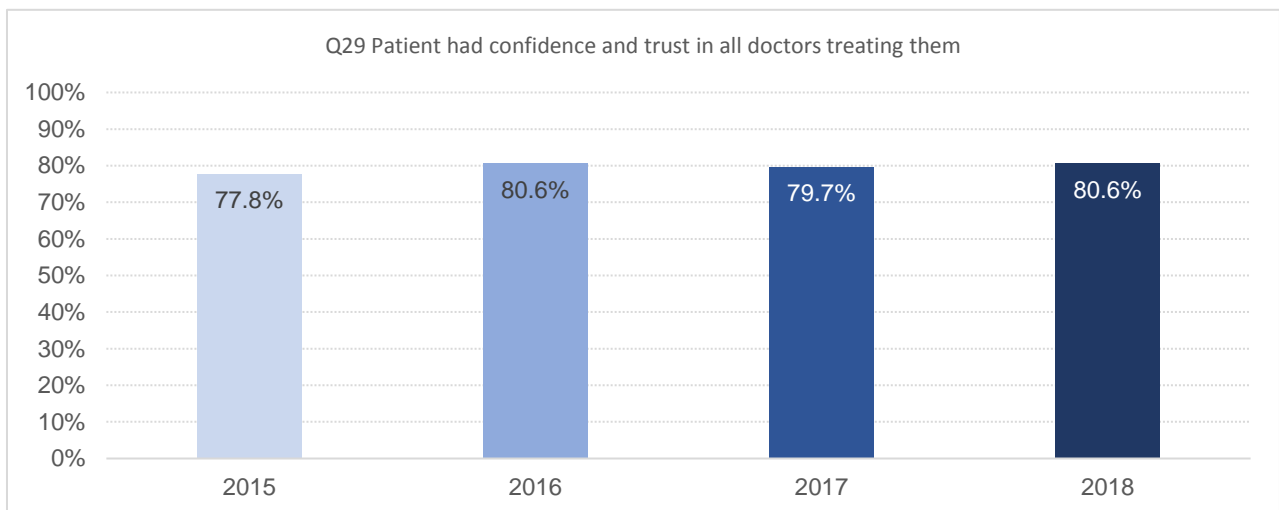
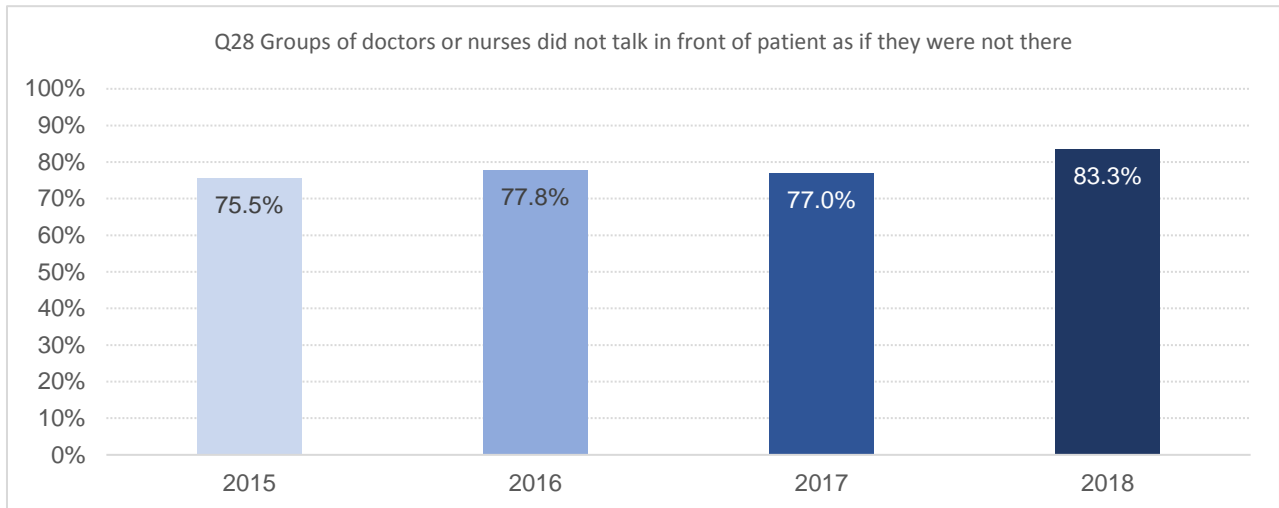
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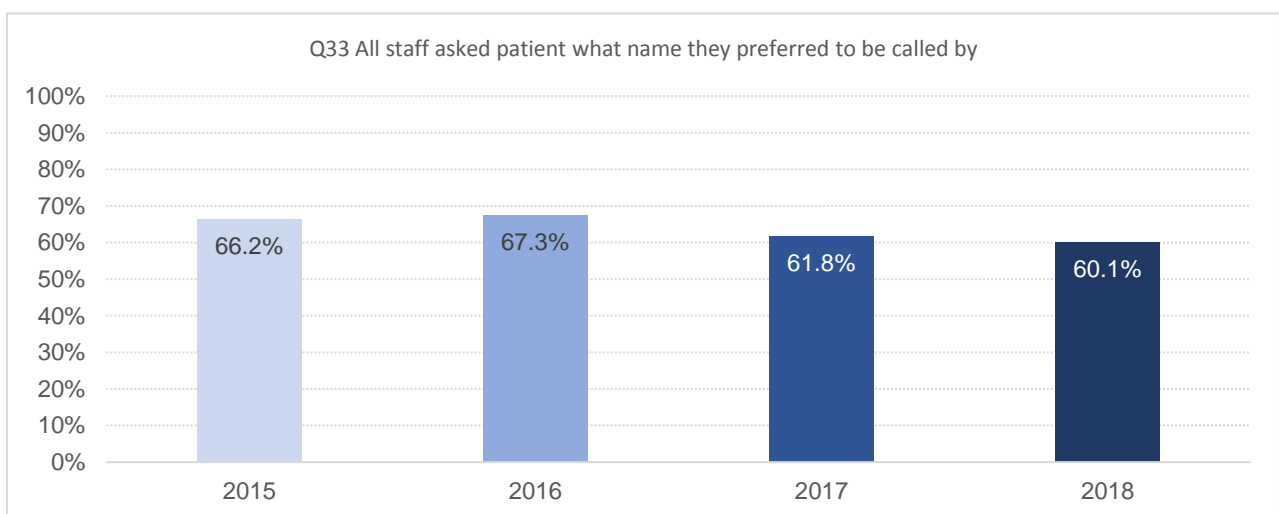
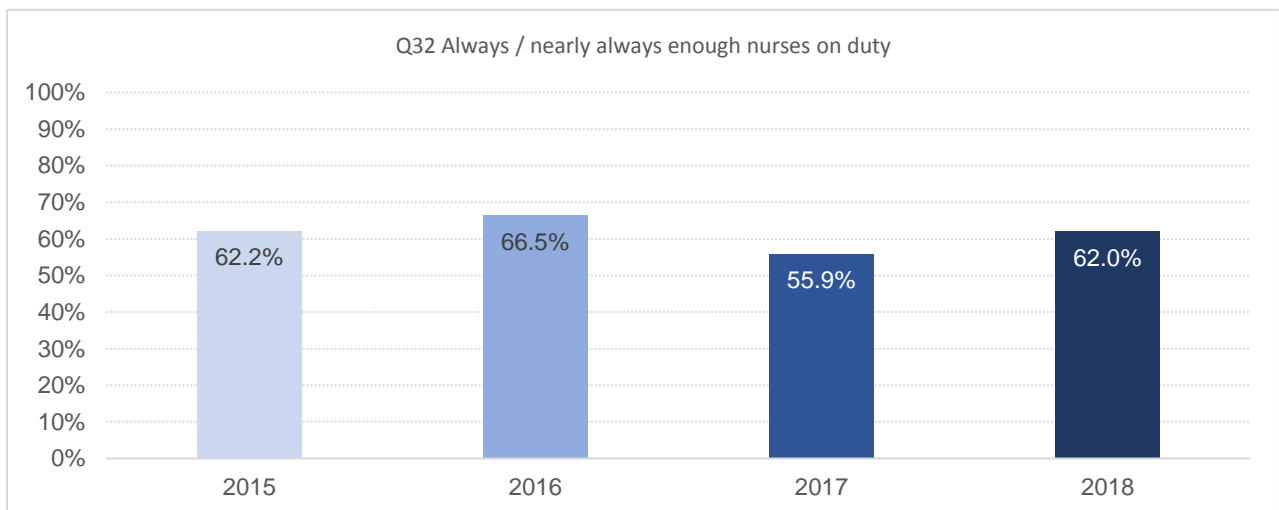
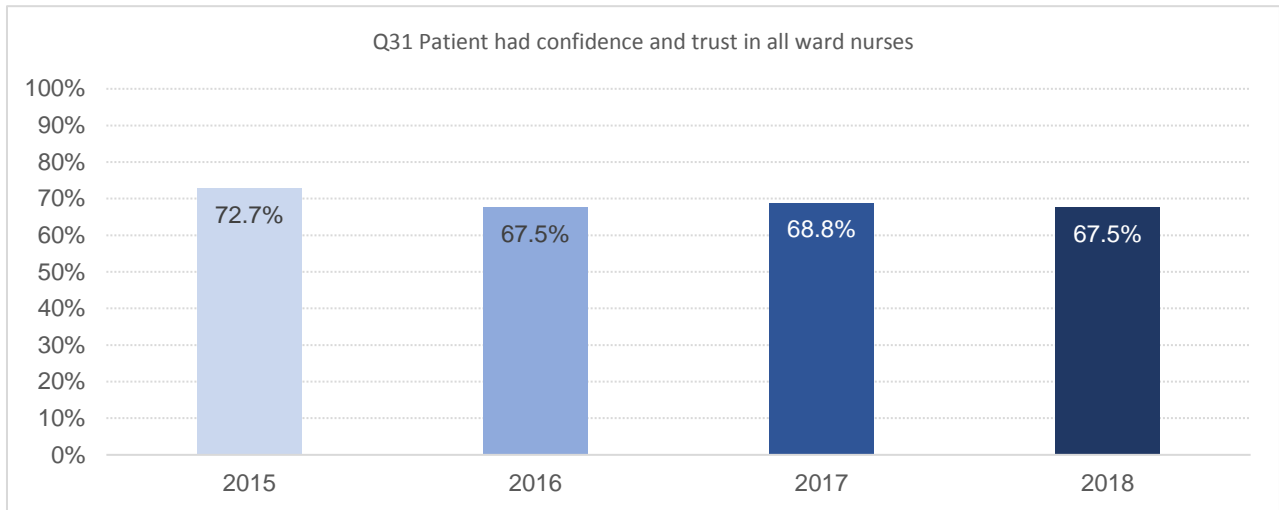
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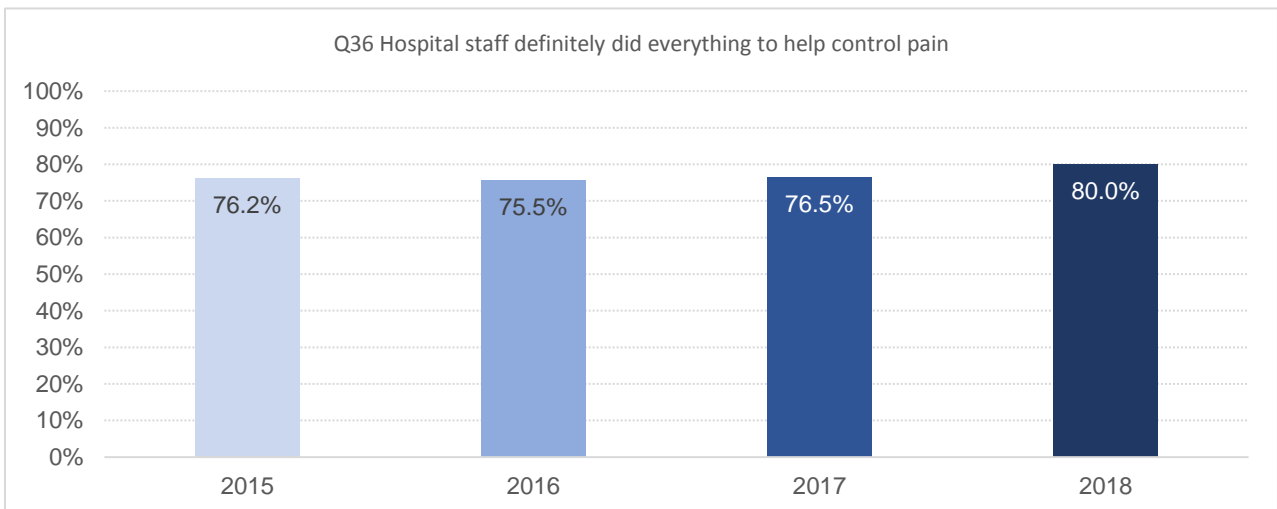
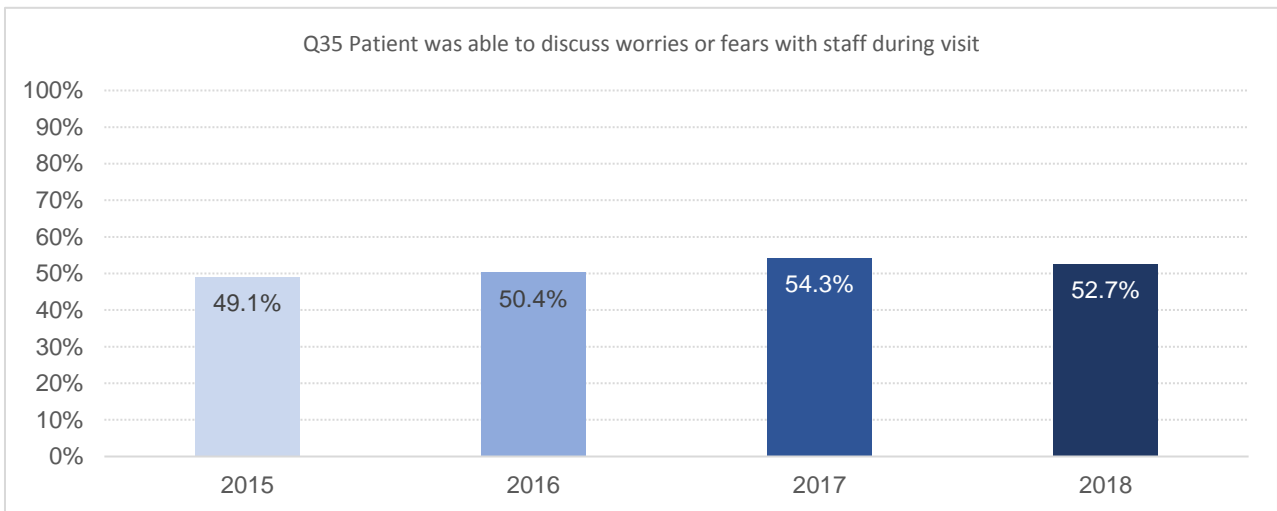
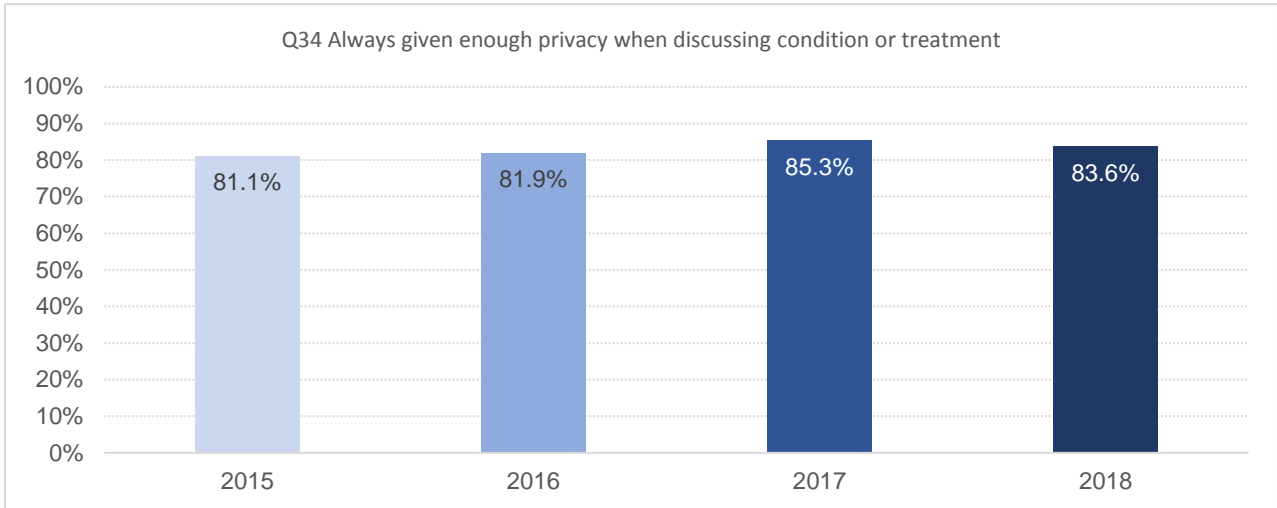


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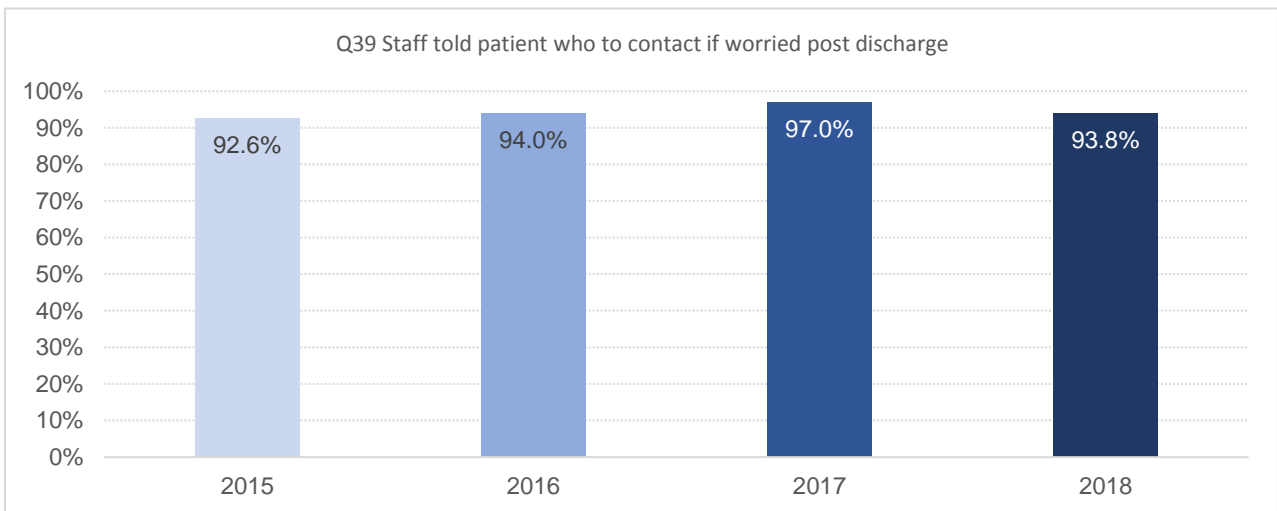
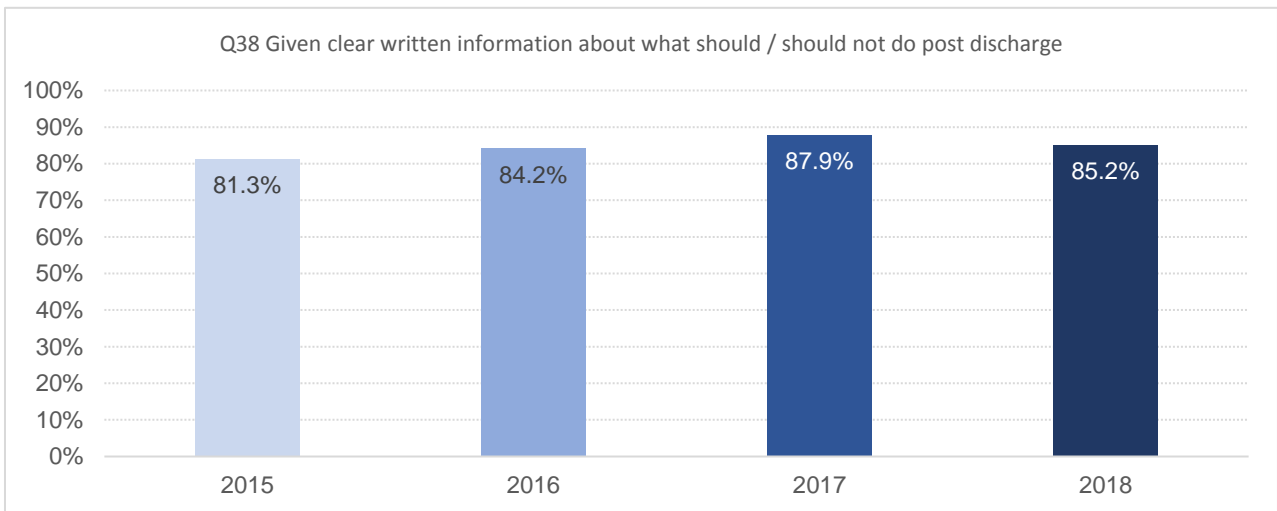
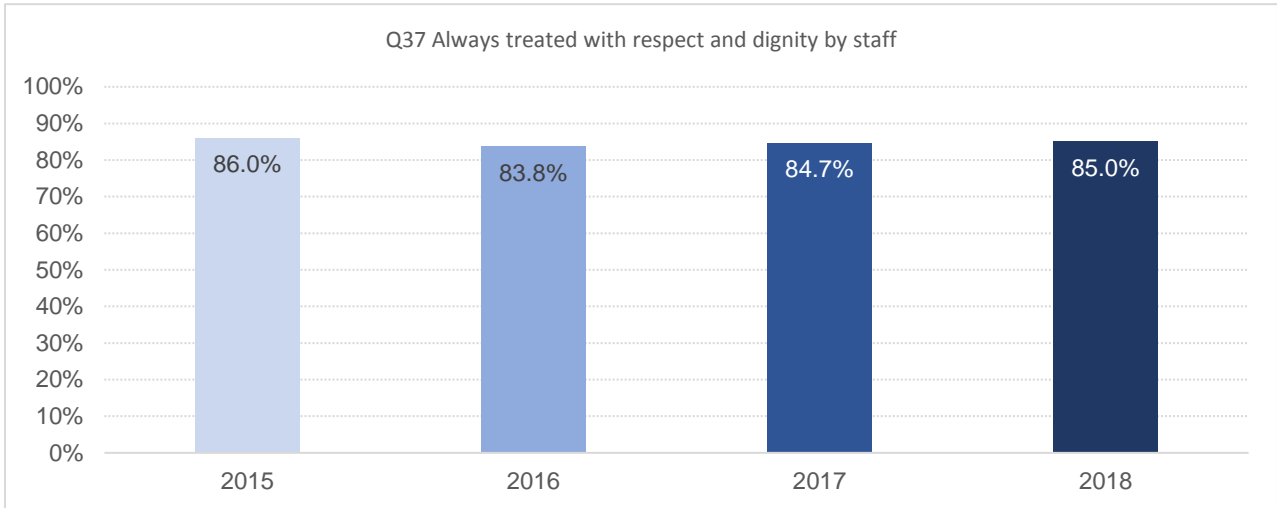
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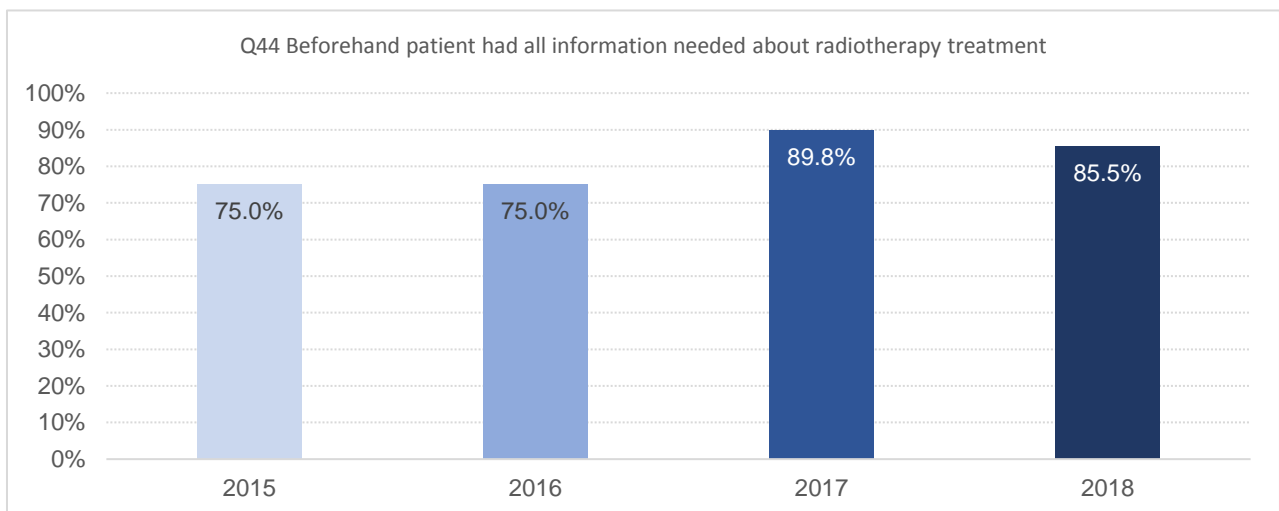
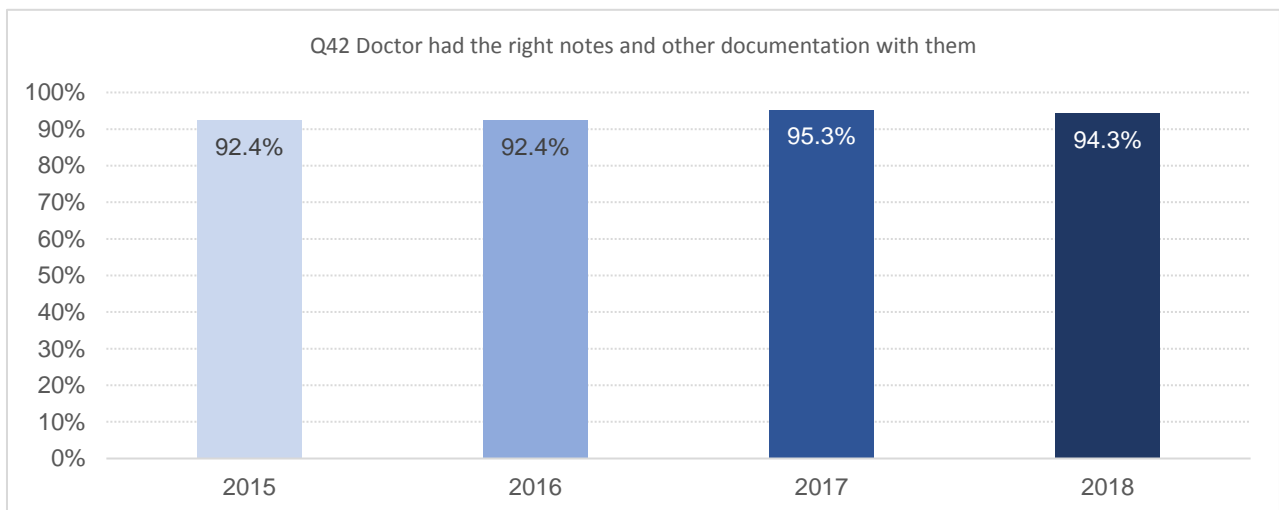
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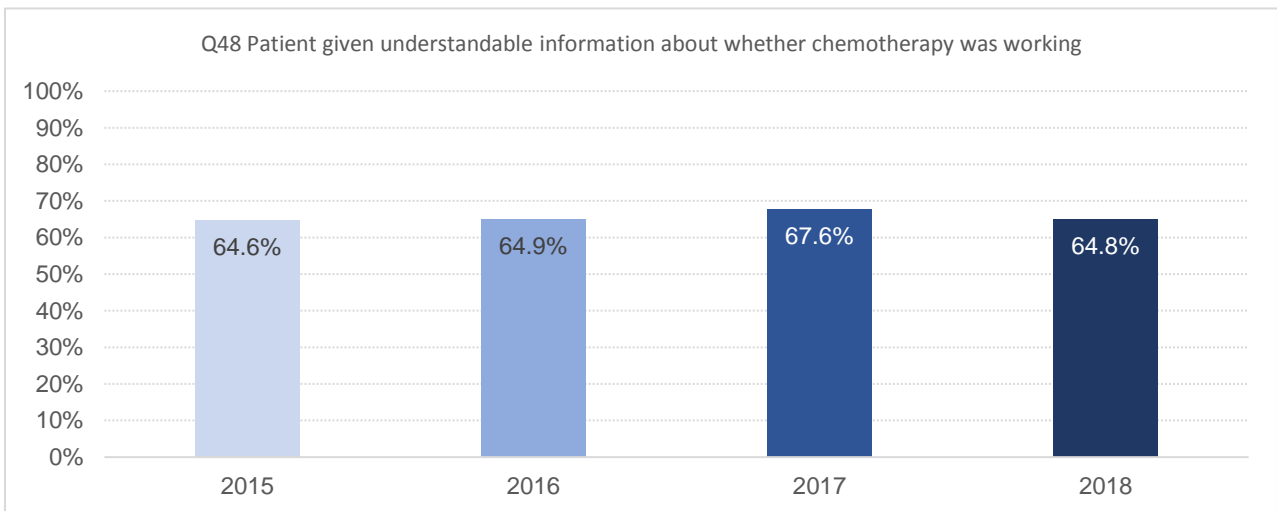
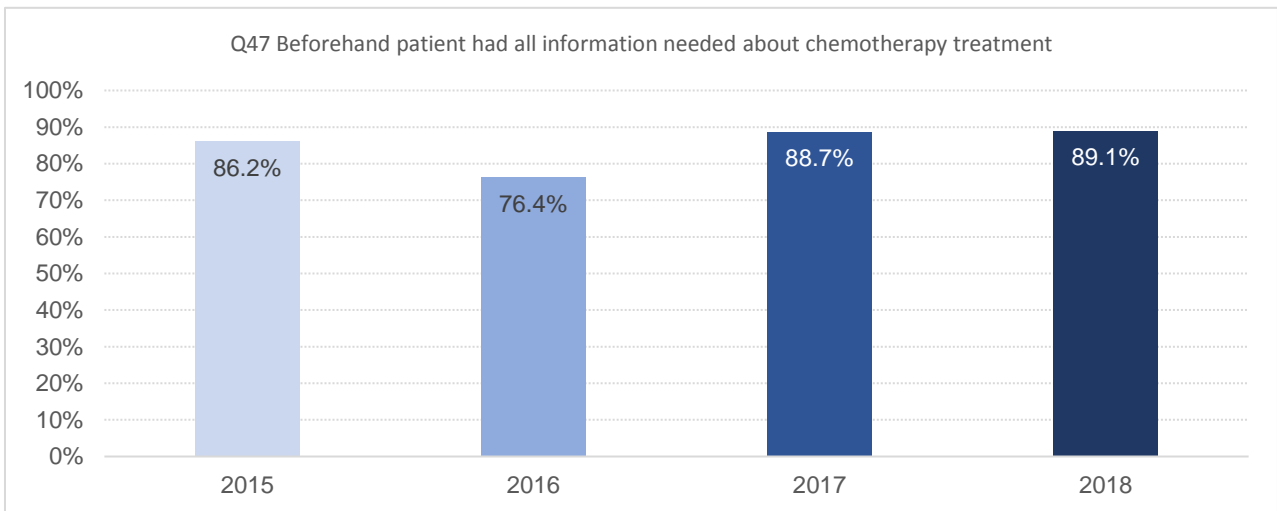
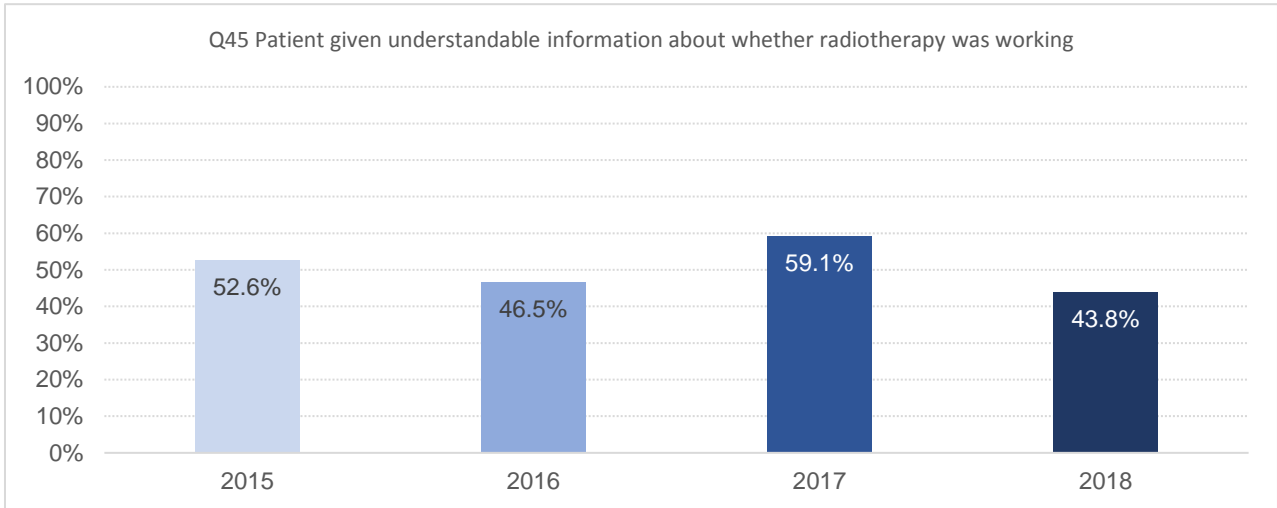
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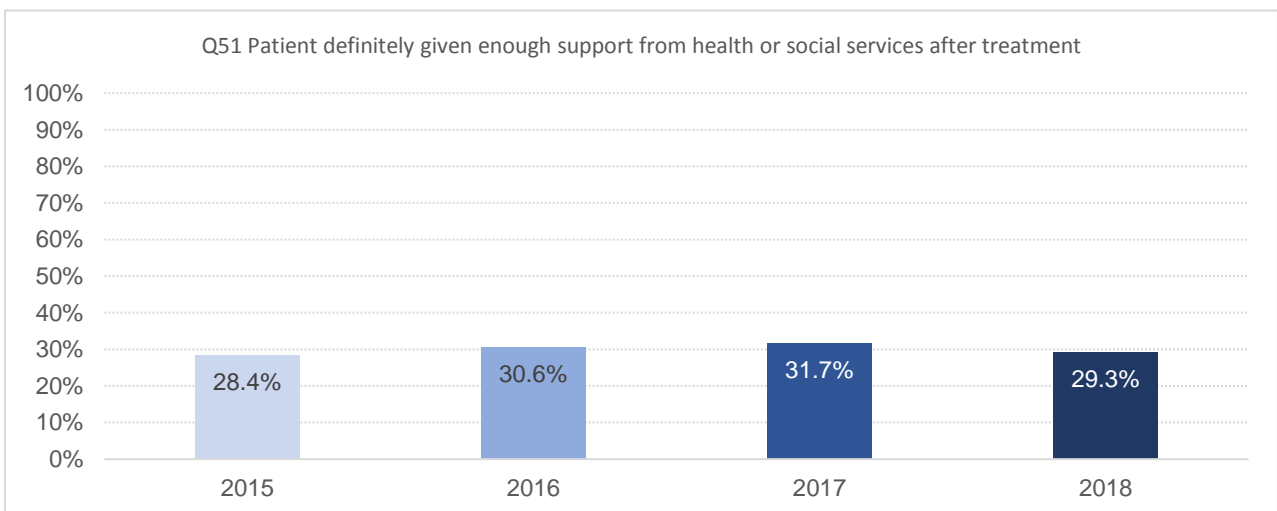
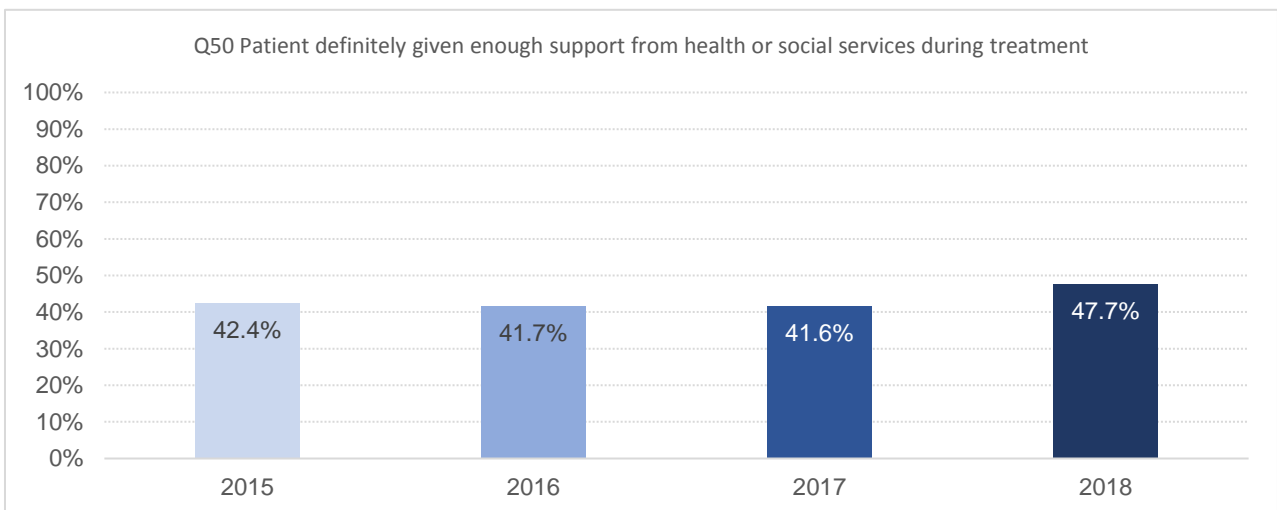
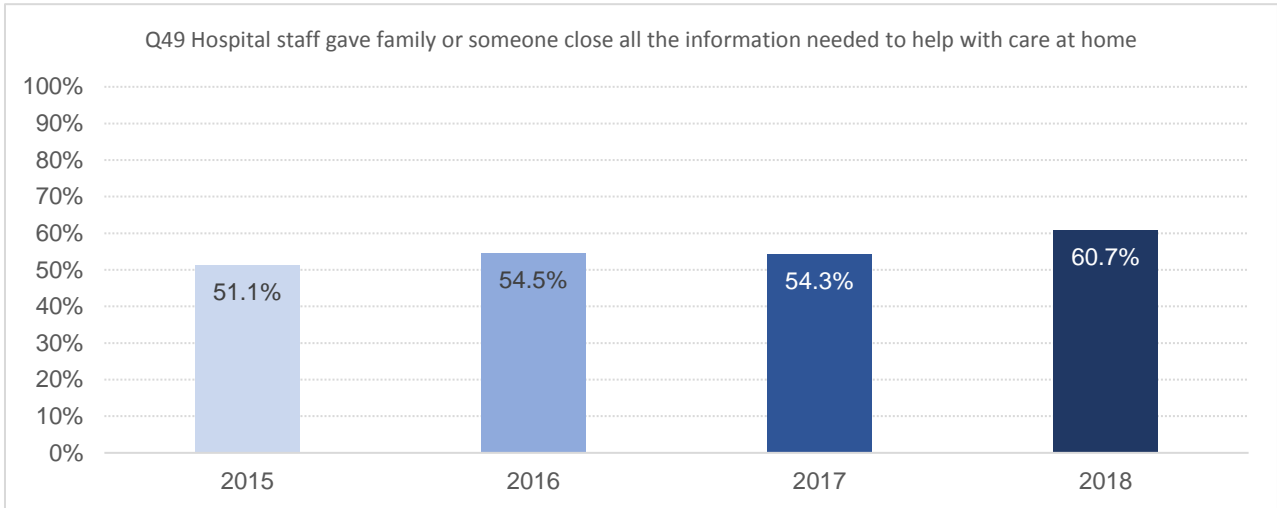
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Hospital care as a day patient / outpatient (continued)



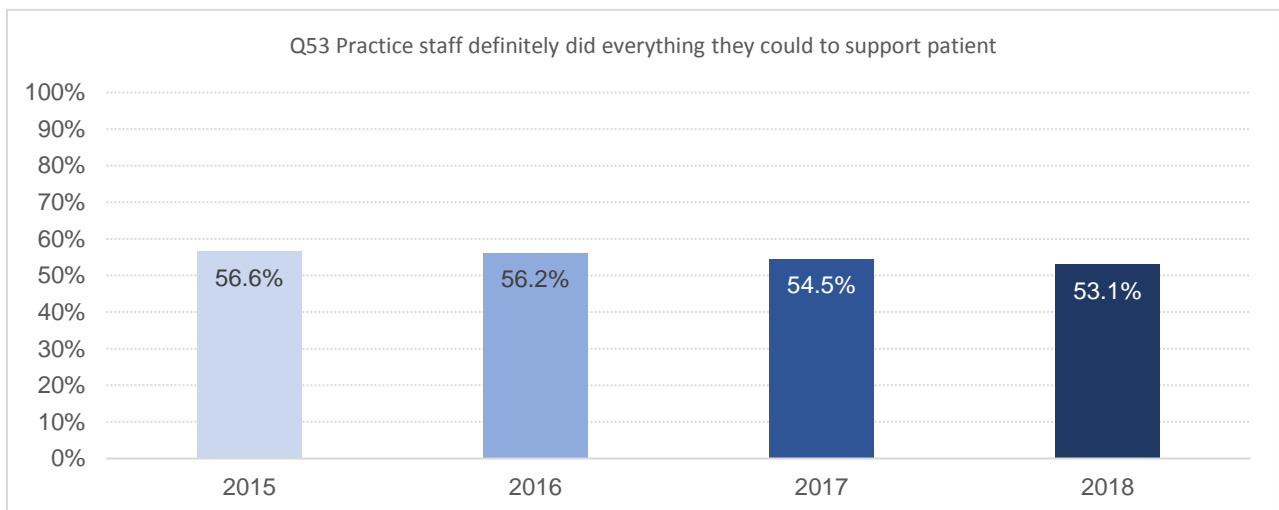
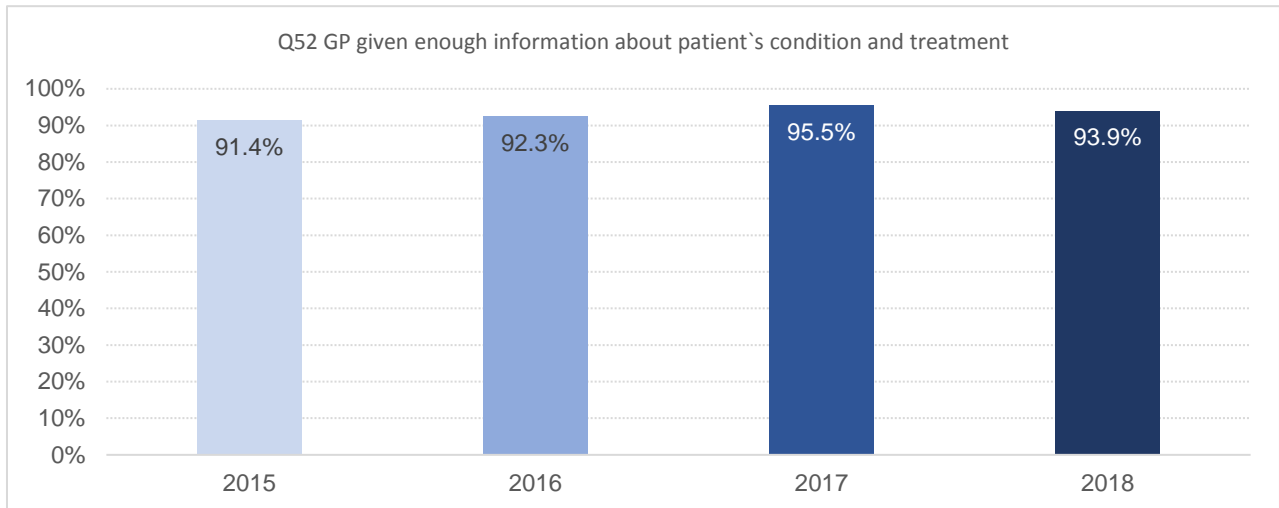
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### Home care and support



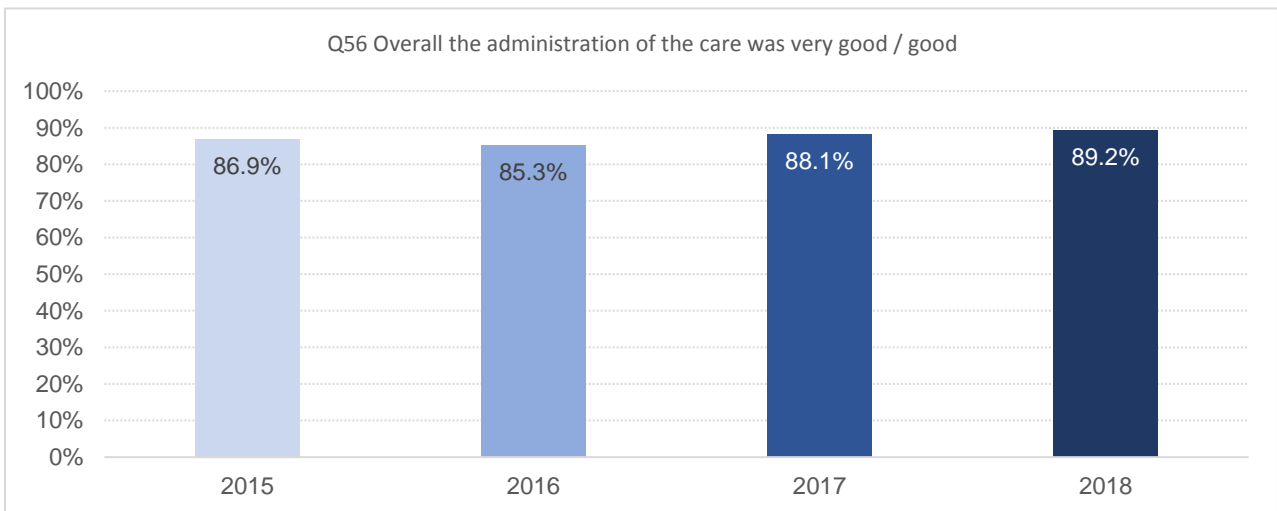
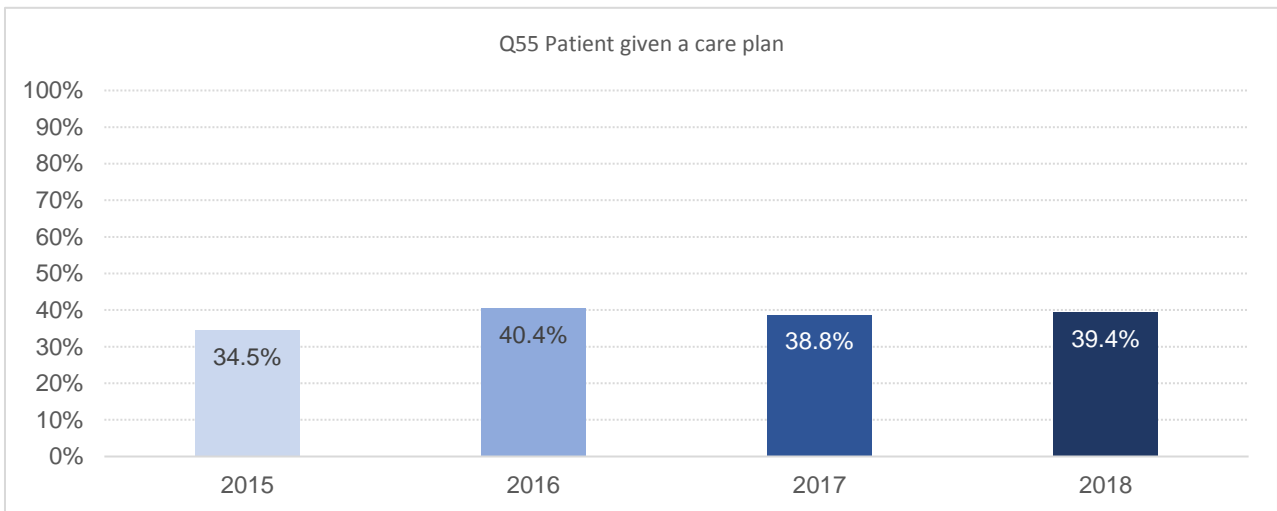
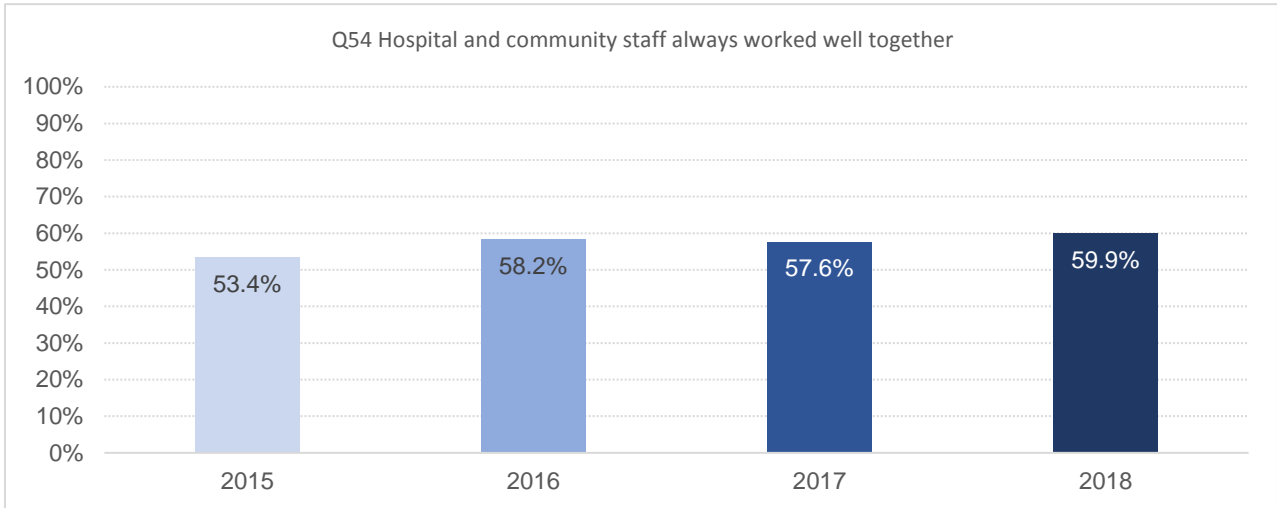
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### Care from your general practice



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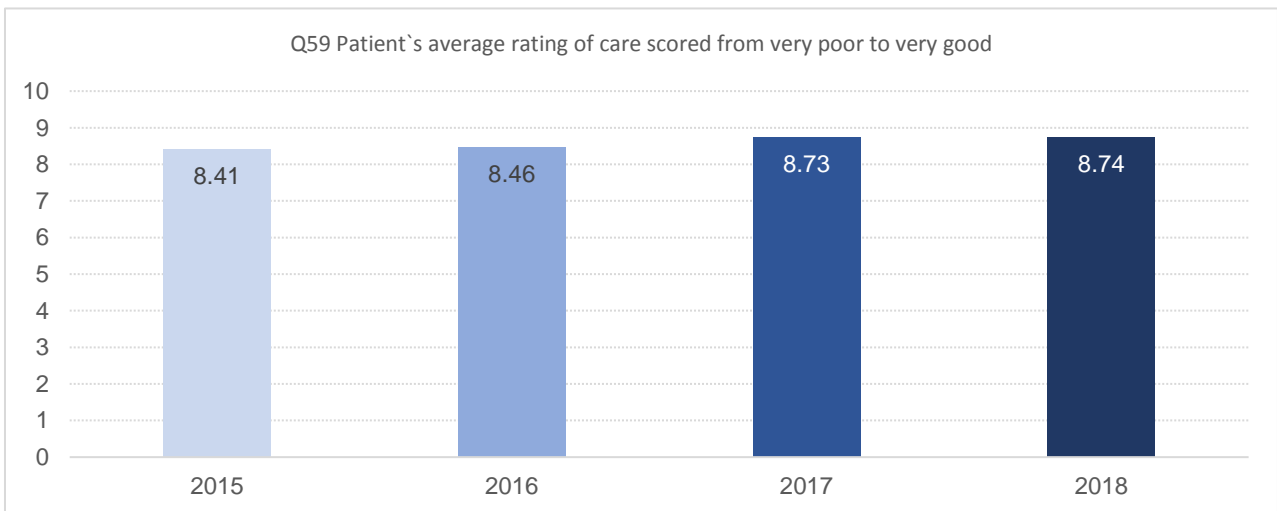
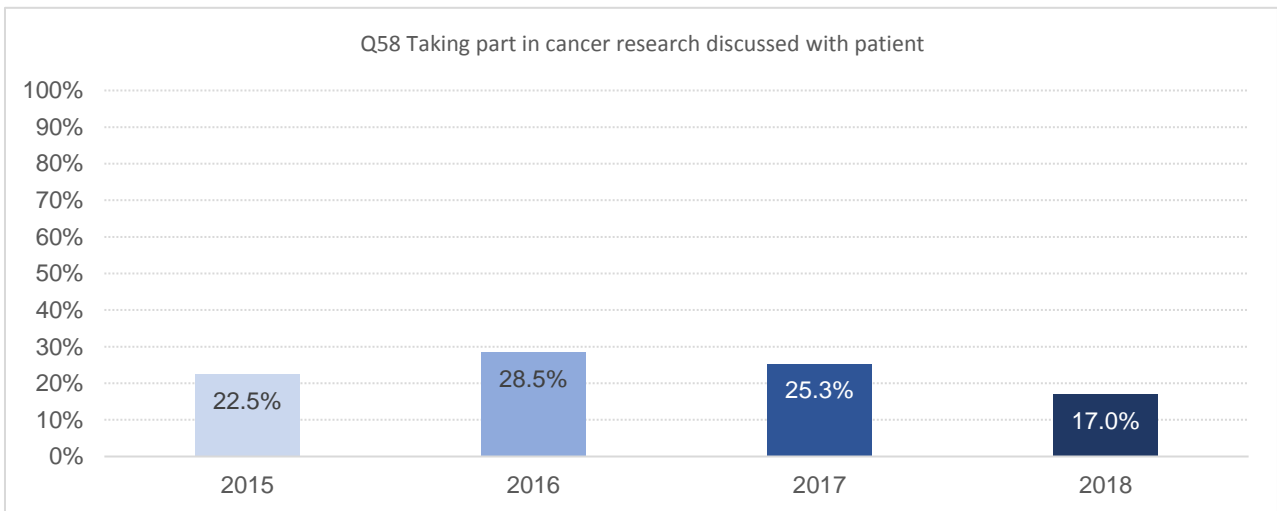
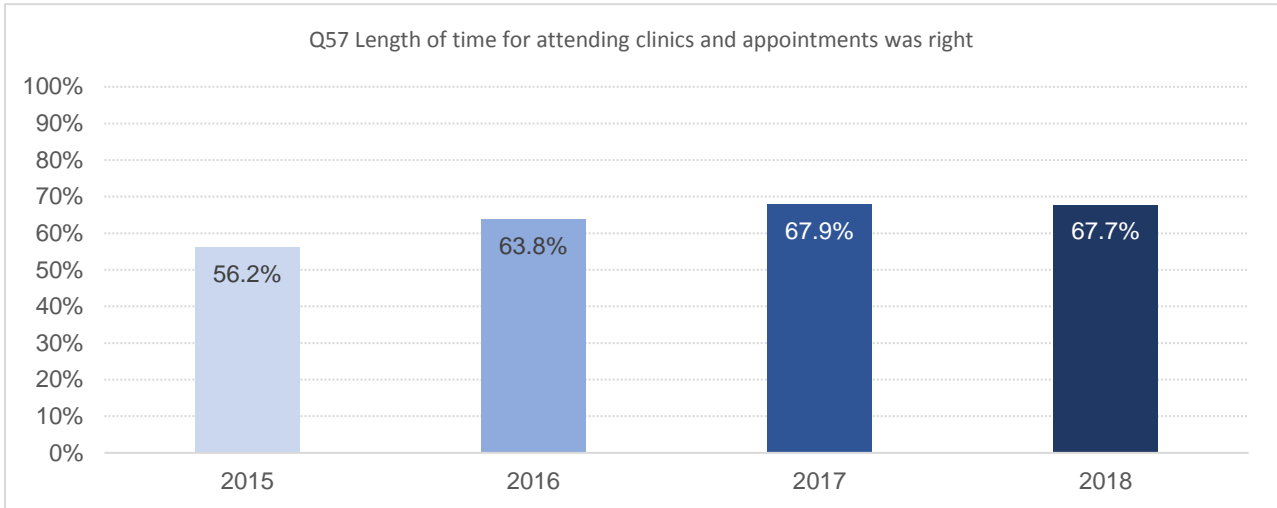
Your overall NHS care



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Your overall NHS care (continued)



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## **Annex**

### **Methodology**

The sample for the survey included all adult (aged 16 and over) NHS patients, with a confirmed primary diagnosis of cancer, discharged from an NHS Trust after an inpatient episode or day case attendance for cancer related treatment in the months of April, May and June 2018.

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

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

The fieldwork for the survey was undertaken between October 2018 and March 2019.

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

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

### **Further information**

Further information on survey methodology, as well as all of the national and local reports and data, is available at:

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

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

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

### **Official Statistics**

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

## Annex (continued)

### Scoring methodologies

51 of the 52 questions relating directly to patient experience have been summarised as the score of the percentage of patients who reported a positive experience. For example:

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

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

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

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

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

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

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### Case-mix adjustment

As in 2017, case-mix adjusted findings are being presented alongside unadjusted results for 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:

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## Annex (continued)

### Statistical significance

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

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

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

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

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## Response Rates

	Sample Size	Excluded	Adjusted Sample	Not Returned	Blank / Refused	Completed	Response Rate
National	123,512	8,445	115,067	37,171	4,079	73,817	64%
RBK	485	27	458	141	21	296	65%

## 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	91
Colorectal / LGT	33
Gynaecological	18
Haematological	35
Head and Neck	0
Lung	21
Prostate	41
Sarcoma	0
Skin	2
Upper Gastro	11
Urological	27
Other	17

\* 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	2	20	48	41	3	114
Female	0	1	11	31	44	46	38	11	182
Total	0	1	11	33	64	94	79	14	296



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