

NPCA Newsletter, May 2022

Newsletter highlights:

- 1 Plans for the next Annual Report
- 2 PPI Forum meeting
- 3 NPCA Quality Improvement Event videos

Annual Report 2022

Having published our [last annual report](#) in January, planning is well underway for the next. Our data partners are already collating the data we need: this year we will again use the Rapid Cancer Registration Data in England for the period from April 2020 to March 2021, which is the diagnostic period also available from Wales. Despite the lack of certain data items, the RCRD has been shown to closely match the usual dataset we use, so that we can report many of our usual indicators relating to diagnosis, staging and treatment.

Now that Welsh data are available that covers the diagnostic period of 2020/21, we will also be able to report on the impact of the pandemic on prostate cancer care services in Wales. Our next newsletter in Summer 2022 will provide further details of the report.

As always, we want to express our appreciation to all Trust and Health Board teams who submit data to the National Cancer Registration and Analysis Service (NCRAS) and the Wales Cancer Network (WCN). Your ongoing efforts allow the NPCA to make the annual report and our quality improvements impactful.

Public and Patient Involvement Forum meeting

A very useful meeting was held at the end of March with our PPI Forum. This group of patients convened for the third time since its inception, again on Zoom – although we are determined to meet in person next time!

The Forum members heard presentations updating them on the recent Annual Report and the Quality Improvement event, as well as discussing their feedback on our patient summary of the Annual Report. Following their useful comments, this summary and an accompanying slide set are now available on [our website](#).

An update was also given on a paper exploring differences in responses to the NPCA survey of patient experience, which two Forum members have been co-authoring. All members were also invited to volunteer for two further engagement opportunities: a paper in development reporting the results of the NPCA organisation survey, focusing on the allied services offered by Trusts (e.g. sexual function clinics), and to join the steering group of a new NIHR research project on cancer recurrence.

Thank you again to all the PPI Forum members for their continuing engagement and contributions to the NPCA.

Patient Summary of Annual Report 2021 (Published April 2022)

Results of the NPCA Prospective Audit: In England and Wales for men diagnosed from 1 April 2016 to 31 March 2022 and the impact of COVID-19 in England during 2020



Outputs from the NPCA Quality Improvement (QI) event

Further to our QI event in December 2021, we have been putting together the following videos [on the QI page of our website](#) so that those of you who were not able to make it can have a flavour of the event:

- 1 An overview of the whole event
- 2 A round-up of the first session on how the pandemic has impacted prostate cancer care services, including a talk from Peter Johnson, National Clinical Director for Cancer, and a panel discussion
- 3 A round-up of the second session on the determinants of variation in treatment for men with high-risk/locally advanced disease, including a presentation from Jonathan Makanjuola in which he highlighted the [campaign](#) to encourage Black men, and other men at higher risk of prostate cancer, to come forward for investigations.



Videos of each of the five presentations given during the event are [here](#) for you to watch in full.

- 4 Finally, do watch our interview with very special guest, Stephen Fry, who opened the QI event and then shared his prostate cancer journey and his thoughts as a patient on treatment choices, side effects, cancer as a chronic condition, harnessing technology and sources of support.



The NPCA team are delighted to support Prostate Cancer UK and NHS England's campaign to find 14,000 undiagnosed men who need urgent treatment. More information can be found [here](#).

We will be adding blogs and other content to the [Quality Improvement section of the NPCA website](#), so do keep a lookout for those!



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