

Ovarian Cancer Quality Performance Indicators

Patients diagnosed between October 2016 and September 2019

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About this release

This release by Public Health Scotland (PHS) highlights the publication of the National Ovarian Cancer Quality Performance Indicators (QPIs) in the Cancer QPIs dashboard, now held within the Scottish Cancer Registry and Intelligence Service (SCRIS). Performance against a range of indicators developed by ovarian cancer specialists is reported. The information collected from clinical audits provides an opportunity to review NHSScotland performance against these measures.

Based on user engagement and stakeholder feedback, PHS will not be producing a written report or providing data tables for this publication. The indicators can be viewed via the SCRIS dashboard or in already published regional reports.

Main Points

- There were 487 patients diagnosed with Ovarian cancer in Scotland between October 2018 and September 2019.
- Steady improvement can be seen at a National level for many QPIs with the majority meeting their targets (QPIs 2, 6, 7, 10, 12(i), 12(iii) and 13).
- Where QPI targets were not met, NHS boards will continue to seek to address issues in order to increase performance against these targets (QPIs 3, 4, 9 and 11). An example of the improvement process is the establishment of a working group to improve ascertainment and adherence in a relatively new indicator QPI 11 which measures the proportion of patients with epithelial ovarian cancer who undergo genetic testing.

Background

National cancer quality performance indicators have been developed to support continuous quality improvement in cancer care. NHS Boards are required to report these indicators against a clinically agreed indicator specific target as part of the mandatory national cancer quality programme. They have been developed collaboratively by the [North Cancer Alliance](#), [South East Scotland Cancer Network](#), [West of Scotland Cancer Network](#), [Healthcare Improvement Scotland](#) and PHS.

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Further Information

Access

Please note that the Cancer QPIs are now located within the SCRIS dashboard, thus bringing all the cancer data together in the one place. Access to the Cancer QPIs dashboard is restricted, please follow the link to the <https://useraccess.nhsnss.scot.nhs.uk> and select SCRIS.

Reports

For further information please refer to the West of Scotland Cancer ([WoSCAN](#)) and North Cancer Alliance ([NCA](#)) published reports.

The next release of this publication will be in February 2024.

Ovarian Cancer Indicators

Definitions and details on updating or archiving [Ovarian cancer](#) indicators are available from Healthcare Improvement Scotland.

Cancer Quality Performance Indicators

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For more information on the [National Cancer Quality Programme - Scottish Government letter CEL 06 2012](#).

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