

Melanoma Quality Performance Indicators

Patients diagnosed during July 2014 to June 2015

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About this release

This is the first publication of the National Melanoma Quality Performance Indicators by the Information Services Division. The report assesses performance against eleven quality indicators developed by melanoma specialists working in Scotland. These indicators are specific to patients diagnosed with cutaneous melanoma which is a type of skin cancer. The information reported has been collected from clinical audits and hospital records. The report provides the first opportunity to review NHSScotland performance against these indicators.

Main points

- There were 1,275 people diagnosed with melanoma in NHSScotland during 1 July 2014 to 30 June 2015.
- Overall Scotland met three of the eleven indicators. No NHS Board managed to meet all eleven indicators.
- Five year survival rates for Scotland were slightly lower for males than females across all age groups. There were minimal differences in five year survival rates between the three regional cancer networks in Scotland.

Background

National cancer quality performance indicators have been developed to drive continuous quality improvement in cancer care. NHS Boards are required to report these indicators as part of the mandatory national cancer quality programme. They have been developed collaboratively by the [North of Scotland Cancer Network](#), [South East Scotland Cancer Network](#), [West of Scotland Cancer Network](#) and [Healthcare Improvement Scotland](#) and the Information Services Division.

The next release of melanoma quality performance indicators will include three years of data.

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Report

- [National report on Melanoma Quality Performance Indicators](#)
- Supporting [data tables and graphs illustrating the figures](#) can also be downloaded.
- Information on [melanoma survival](#) is also available.

Melanoma Indicators

- A document detailing the melanoma indicators is available from [Healthcare Improvement Scotland](#).

Cancer Quality Performance Indicators

- Information Services Division: [Cancer Quality Performance Indicators](#)
- For more information on the [National Cancer Quality Programme - Scottish Government letter CEL 06 2012](#).

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