Breast Cancer Quality Performance Indicators

Patients diagnosed in the three years from January 2015 to December 2017

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About this release

This release by Information Services Division is the second publication of the National Breast Cancer Quality Performance Indicators. The report assesses performance against thirteen indicators developed by breast cancer specialists working in Scotland. The information reported has been collected from clinical audits. This report provides an opportunity to review NHSScotland performance against these measures.

Main Points

- There were 4807 women diagnosed with Breast Cancer in Scotland in 2017. This is similar to previous years where 4797 were diagnosed in year 2016 and 4853 in 2015.

- At a Scotland level for 2017, the targets were met in fourteen of the seventeen indicators (i.e. including sub parts of some indicators) with three below target. This is an improvement from the previous two years where 4 of the indicators did not meet the targets.

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 and Healthcare Improvement Scotland and the Information Services Division.

The next release of breast cancer quality performance indicators in April 2022 may include changes or refinements to indicator definitions and measurability criteria based on a review of this publication.
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Further Information

Report

- National report on Breast Cancer Quality Performance Indicators
- Supporting data tables and graphs illustrating the figures for Breast cancer can also be downloaded.

Breast Cancer Indicators

- Documents detailing the breast cancer indicators are 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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