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## NPaCA Newsletter, May 2024

### Want to hear more?

Please feel free to forward this newsletter to colleagues who are involved in pancreatic cancer care. If you were forwarded this email and would like to be added to our mailing list, please email [us](mailto:us).

#### First Quarterly report published

In April, NPaCA published its first quarterly report, which provides an overview of the quality of key data items captured in the rapid cancer registration data for people diagnosed with pancreatic cancer in England between 1st October 2022 and 30th September 2023, for NHS Trusts and Cancer Alliances. A high-level summary of patient characteristics is also provided at NHS trust and Cancer Alliance levels.

The report highlights to Trusts where data submissions to the Cancer Outcomes and Services Dataset (COSD) could be improved to enable better reporting on performance indicators in the future.

We encourage all provider teams to review their data completeness and make improvements as required. View the first quarterly report [here](#).



#### Patient and Public Involvement (PPI) Chair confirmed

The NPaCA team are delighted that Lesley Goodburn will be acting as Chair for our PPI forum.

Lesley tragically lost her husband, Seth, to pancreatic cancer and is an active campaigner in raising awareness of pancreatic cancer, bringing a wealth of experience to the forum.

We are delighted to have her 'onboard'.



#### NATCAN holds its first Quality Improvement Event

On the 27th of April, members of the NATCAN cancer audit teams and PPI Forums, attended an in-person event, which was held within the beautiful library rooms at the Royal College of Surgeons in Holborn, London.

The event's focus was on sharing learning and best practice to stimulate quality improvement activities, with the aim of reducing variation in the care, treatment and outcomes of patients diagnosed with cancer.

The event was chaired by NATCAN's Director of Operations, Dr Julie Nossiter, and was attended by Peter Johnson, NHS England's National Clinical Director for Cancer, members of the NATCAN board and representatives from the NHSE Cancer programme and HQIP.

Find out more about the event and download the presentations [here](#).



#### NPaCA Healthcare Improvement Plan soon to be released!

Be sure to look out for NPaCA's Healthcare Improvement Plan, which is due to be published on our audit webpages later in May. The document, which has been developed in close collaboration with members of the audit's Clinical Reference Group, builds on the audit's [Scoping document](#) and identifies ten performance indicators. The plan also sets out improvement methods, improvement activities and approaches to evaluation of the audit's goals and activities.

#### TCS London Marathon announcement

'Congratulations' to our friends and colleagues at Pancreatic Cancer UK (PCUK), who are delighted to be announced as the TCS London Marathon Charity of the Year, for 2025. In their Twitter post which announced the news, PCUK commented, "With people running, cheering and raising funds to support our research, we can save as many lives as runners in this great race".



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