

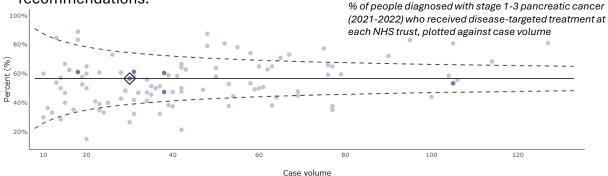


## National Pancreatic Cancer Audit Quality Improvement Intervention:

Increasing treatment rates for people with pancreatic cancer

## Why is this important?

- Among people diagnosed with non-metastatic (stage 1-3) pancreatic cancer in England, only 57% go on to receive any form of disease-targeted treatment (surgery, systemic anticancer therapy and/or radiotherapy).
- Even among those with good performance status (PS) at the time of diagnosis (PS 0-2), only two-thirds receive disease-targeted treatment.
- There is wide variation in treatment rates across NHS trusts; reducing this variation has been identified as one of the NHS England Treatment Variation Working Group's priority recommendations.



## What is the aim of the quality improvement intervention?

In collaboration with stakeholders, the NPaCA has developed a quality improvement intervention that aims to increase the percentage of people with pancreatic cancer (who are fit enough for treatment) who receive disease-targeted treatment.

## How will the audit support services to achieve this?

- Provide enhanced feedback: in addition to publishing trust-level information, the audit will send bespoke feedback to Cancer Alliances about their trusts' treatment rates, highlighting trusts that have good performance and those whose performance may be lagging.
- Share good practice: working with Cancer Alliances, the audit will produce a catalogue of good practice and improvement activities that can lead to increased treatment rates, and share this learning.
- **Support monitoring**: the audit will publish Cancer Alliance and trust-level information on a quarterly basis to support monitoring of progress.



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