



Understanding Practice in the National Clinical Audit and Patient Outcomes Programme (UPCARE) - Workstream section

0.01 Programme name	National Cancer Audit Collaborating Centre
0.02 Workstream name	National Primary Breast Cancer Audit (NAoPri)
0.1 Contract status	Ongoing
0.2 Audit or non-audit	Audit
0.3 HQIP commissioned*	Yes
0.41 HQIP AD	CR
0.42 HQIP PM	SW
1.0 Included in current NHS Quality Accounts*	Yes
1.1a Geographical coverage - HQIP agreement*	England; Wales
1.2a Topic - please select which ONE of the following best describes the topic area for the programme or workstream. If more than one apply, please select 'Other' and add comment to the next question.*	Cancer
1.3a Healthcare setting*	NHS secondary or tertiary care
1.4 Inclusion and exclusion criteria*	The National Audit of Primary Breast Cancer (NAoPri) aims to report on patients diagnosed with primary breast cancer in NHS hospitals in England & Wales. The NAoPri builds on the work of the National Audit of Breast Cancer in Older Patients (NABCOP) and for the first time will include women and men of all ages with primary breast cancer.
1.5 Methods of data submission*	Extraction from existing data source(s)
1.6a 2023/24 data submission closes - please indicate date, series of dates or frequency.*	31/3/2024 (please note data submission is continuous)
1.6b 2024/25 data submission closes -	31/3/2025 (please note data submission is continuous)

**please indicate date,
series of dates or
frequency.***

**1.6c 2025/26 data
submission closes -
please indicate date,
series of dates or
frequency.*** 31/3/2026 (please note data submission is continuous)

1.7 Data flow diagram <https://www.natcan.org.uk/resources/natcan-dataflow-diagram/>

**1.8 Data quality &
analysis plan** See Healthcare Improvement Plan
See State of the Nation 2025 Methodology Supplement

**1.9a Link to the outlier
policy*** See Healthcare Improvement Plan

2.1 Outcome measures See Healthcare Improvement Plan

2.2 Process measures See Healthcare Improvement Plan

**2.3 Organisational
measures** See Healthcare Improvement Plan

**2.4 Patient reported
outcome measures** See Healthcare Improvement Plan

**2.5 Patient reported
experience measures** See Healthcare Improvement Plan

**2.6a Do measures align
with any of the following
sources of evidence
(select all that apply)** Other (please describe in next question); NICE clinical guideline; NICE quality standard

**2.6b Evidence
supplemental information** As per page 12 of the NAOpri Healthcare Improvement Plan:
The measures for the NAOpri align with the following sources of evidence:

- NICE Quality Standard 12* - Quality Statement 1: Timely diagnosis.
- NICE NG101** recommendation 1.2 Providing information and psychological support.
- NICE NG101, ESMO*** and SIOG**** guidelines. Surgery as the choice of primary treatment for non-invasive and early invasive breast cancer in most patients.
- NICE NG101 recommendation 1.11 Primary systemic therapy.
- NICE NG101 recommendation 1.10 Radiotherapy after breast-conserving surgery.
- NICE NG101 recommendation 1.10 Radiotherapy after mastectomy.
- NICE NG101 recommendations 1.6 Adjuvant therapy planning and 1.8 Adjuvant chemotherapy for invasive breast cancer.
- NICE NG101 recommendation 1.5 Breast Reconstruction.
- NICE NG101 recommendation 1.3 Surgery to the breast.
- National Confidential Enquiry into Patient and Outcome Death (NCEPOD) and National Patient Safety Agency reports – highlighting the need for improvements in the quality and safety of systemic anti-cancer therapy.

* National Institute for Health and Care Excellence. Breast Cancer. Quality standard [QS12]. Available from: <https://www.nice.org.uk/guidance/qs12> .

** National Institute for Health and Care Excellence. Early and locally advanced breast cancer: diagnosis and management. NICE guideline [NG101]. Available from: <https://www.nice.org.uk/guidance/ng101> .

*** Cardoso, F., et al., Early breast cancer: ESMO Clinical Practice Guidelines for diagnosis, treatment and follow-up†. Ann Oncol, 2019. 30(8): p. 1194-1220.

**** Biganzoli, L., et al., Updated recommendations regarding the management of older patients with breast cancer: a joint paper from the European Society of Breast Cancer Specialists (EUSOMA) and the International Society of Geriatric Oncology (SIOG). Lancet Oncol, 2021. 22(7): p. e327-e340.

3.1 Results visualisation	Annual report; Patient report; Interactive online portal (run charts available); Static data files; Other
3.2a Levels of reporting*	National; Trust or health board; NHS region or other geographic area; Cancer alliance
3.3 Timeliness of results feedback	Within 2 years
3.4 Link to dynamic reporting*	https://www.natcan.org.uk/audits/primary-breast/reports-2/
4.01 2023/24 Dataset covers the period FROM/TO (within financial year 01/04 to 31/03)*	01/04/2023 - 31/03/2024
4.02 2024/25 Dataset covers the period FROM/TO (within financial year 01/04 to 31/03)*	01/04/2024 - 31/03/2025
4.03 2025/26 Dataset covers the period FROM/TO (within financial year 01/04 to 31/03)*	01/04/2025 - 31/03/2026
4.10 Dataset #1 name	NAoPri Dataset
4.11 Dataset #1 type	Clinical audit
4.12 Dataset #1 population coverage*	All eligible patients
4.15 Dataset #1 use of existing national datasets	Cancer outcomes and services dataset (COSD); Cancer network information system Cymru (CaNISC); Hospital episode statistics (HES); Office for National Statistics (ONS); Patient episode database for Wales (PEDW); Radiotherapy dataset (RTDS); Systemic anticancer treatment (SACT); Cancer waiting times (CWT); Cancer patient experience survey (CPES)

<p>5.00 When was your healthcare quality improvement plan (referred to as a QI Plan) last reviewed? Please upload under 'Files' below using the HQIP naming convention (click on response to see pop-up help text).</p>	05/09/2025
<p>5.10 When were your clinical performance indicators (referred to as metrics) signed off by funders? Please upload under 'Files' below using the HQIP template and naming convention (click on response to see pop-up help text).</p>	05/09/2025 12:00
<p>5.11 Please add the hyperlink to where your clinical performance indicators (referred to as metrics) are published on your project website.*</p>	<p>https://www.natcan.org.uk/reports/naopri-quality-improvement-plan-2024/; https://www.natcan.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2025/10/NAoPri_Metrics_Table_18082025.xlsx</p>
<p>5.20 National report publication date (within calendar year 01/01 - 31/12/2023)*</p>	29/11/2023 - Scoping Document
<p>5.21 Published/planned national report publication date (within calendar year 01/01 - 31/12/2024)*</p>	12/09/2024
<p>5.22 Planned national report publication date (within calendar year 01/01 - 31/12/2025)*</p>	11/09/2025
<p>5.23 Planned national report publication date (within calendar year 01/01 - 31/12/2026)*</p>	10/09/2026

6.0 Please add the most recent date that you have reviewed and updated an online version of UPCARE Workstream section(s) on your project's website (click into the response to see pop-up guidance).

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6.1 Please add a hyperlink to UPCARE Workstream section(s) on your website (click into the response to see pop-up guidance).*

<https://www.natcan.org.uk/resources/naopri-upcare-tool/>