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New NOCA clinical lead!

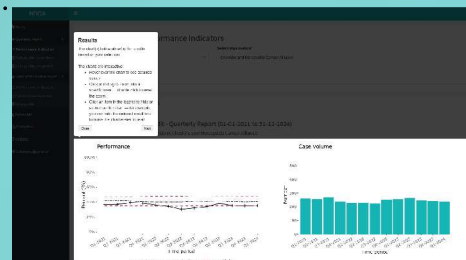
We are delighted to welcome **Richard Edmondson** to the team as NOCA Clinical Lead for surgery. Richard is Professor of Gynaecological Oncology at Manchester University and brings with him a wealth of clinical and research experience. His research interests focus on ovarian cancer and how treatments can be developed and delivered to patients that will improve both survival and quality of life. We look forward to working with him and continuing the important work of the audit together!

NOCA QI intervention – 63% response rate!

The NOCA Team would like to thank Gynaecological Cancer Systems (GCSs) for their positive engagement with our QI intervention. We received a 63% response rate from GCSs in England and Wales. Our QI intervention focuses on the following performance indicator 'Percentage of women diagnosed with ovarian cancer within 28 days after an emergency admission who receive any treatment (surgery and/or chemotherapy) within 3 months from diagnosis'. A list of responders will be circulated via the BGCS membership and can be viewed in the **response log on our website [here](#)**. Please take a look at the **[QI intervention poster](#)** on our website for further information.

October quarterly data dashboard

The next [NOCA quarterly data dashboard](#) will be published on 8th October 2026. This report includes more recent data, patients in England diagnosed up to March 2025. Alongside the usual NOCA quarterly data dashboard, you will be able to search cross-audit results for data completeness in our **new cross-audit dashboard**. Have you seen the new **guided tour feature of the dashboard**? Just click on the dashboard link to take a tour of the information available.



Latest NOCA publication

Congratulation to Dr Georgia Zachou, NOCA Clinical Fellow, lead author on the latest NOCA publication: '**Ovarian cancer diagnosis within 28 days after an emergency admission to hospital: national population-based study of patient risk factors and cancer characteristics using routinely collected data in England**'. This publication highlights that younger and older women, women who were more frail, and those from deprived neighbourhoods were more likely to be diagnosed as an emergency. Identifying and understanding these risk factors are a first step towards the development of targeted interventions that can improve the timely diagnosis of ovarian cancer, reduce emergency presentations and improve outcomes. **Take a read on our website [here](#)**.



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