



Cancer Commissioning Toolkit (CCT)

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The CCT has been supporting NHS commissioners by providing cancer data since 2008.

★★★★☆ [\(Reviews\)](#)

Updated quarterly with the latest nationally available data - displaying benchmarked and historical view of the data.

- New**
Developing new charting software and web based profiles to provide users with more choices of ways to view data.
- Updates**
- Further Service Profiles in development
- All your regular timely CCT data including Cancer waits, Screening, HES, etc.
- Change**
Making way to new organisations such as CCG's, CSU's, SCN's etc. Introducing a public view as part of the transparency agenda.

Want to receive newly released data?

Register at:

www.cancertoolkit.co.uk

Background

The aim of the Cancer Commissioning Toolkit is to assist commissioners to identify patterns of care that can contribute to [saving lives](#), [give options](#) regarding services, ensure [value for money](#) and [share information](#) to [help improve patient experience](#). The development of the Toolkit includes a variety of stakeholders to ensure that the 'shape' of cancer services reflects current policy/frameworks etc.

It was developed to:

- ✓ Identify patterns of care (that can contribute to saving lives)
- ✓ Ensure value for money (using data as evidence)
- ✓ Share information to help improve the patient experience (e.g. benchmarked data)
- ✓ Give commissioners options regarding services
- ✓ Include England and sub-National data to understand the information requirements of local government and the NHS

Method

The CCT is a central one-stop shop location for overarching messages on cancer, recommending for investment or disinvestment, highlighting to users what can be done now. It is updated quarterly following the commissioning cycle with regular release notes and supporting documentation/help assistance.

It provides Commissioners/users with:

- ✓ A central location for Profiles and other associated nationally available data.
- ✓ Understanding of variation in data outcomes across various organisation levels.
- ✓ Instant chart creation (across the cancer patient pathway) with nationally submitted and approved data.
- ✓ The ability to download and extract data for local use from underlying charts for further analysis.
- ✓ Adds data via strict QA process to ensure consistency/accuracy/confidence in data displayed
- ✓ Signposting, help and updates sections to assist the user to locate relevant information quickly.

Results

Key Strengths of the CCT include:

- ✓ Supports effective commissioning of cancer services with simple navigation.
- ✓ Centralises key cancer commissioning information at a national and organisational level.
- ✓ Provides commissioners easy access to timely standard and regularly updated data refreshes.
- ✓ Benchmarks indicators (with cluster organisations, populations) through charts and profiles.
- ✓ Provides data across England (locally only able to see their own data).
- ✓ Holds governance for both user and organisation access.
- ✓ Innovative to meet changing information needs and clear governance.

User Reviews

★★★★☆ Supporting commissioners with much better information about the quality and safety of services.

[Network Director](#)

★★★★★ Download of data files is quick and simple and provides time series and comparative data in one.

[Information Manager](#)

★★★★☆ It provides a quick 'one-stop shop' for many routine indicators

[Information and Audit Manager](#)

★★★★★ Invaluable tool to benchmark our services, identify areas of concern, monitor performance and track improvements

[Network Lead](#)

★★★★☆ Practice Profiles make it easy to compare data between practices, CCG average and national average

[GP lead](#)

★★★★☆ Helps us to build cases for commissioning

[Network Lead](#)

Users Who Viewed The CCT Are Interested In



Conclusion

Over the past 5 years the CCT has made a difference to commissioners by providing a wide range of performance based reports. It has become an invaluable tool for benchmarking commissioning services, identifying areas of concern, monitoring performance and tracking improvements. By containing many relevant data sources within a single system users are able to build business cases and use the data as evidence for programmes of care to improve services for patients.