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SSCRGs

Background and aims

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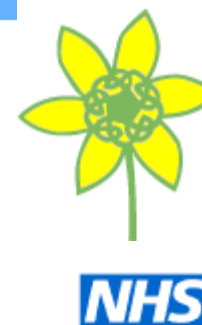
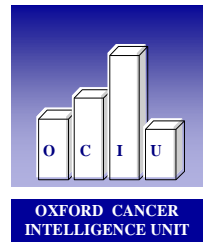
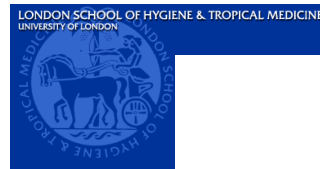


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Goal for NCIN: “To develop the best cancer information service of any large country in the world”

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NCIN core objectives



- **Promoting efficient and effective data collection throughout the cancer journey**
- **Providing a common national repository for cancer datasets**
- **Producing expert analyses, based on robust methodologies, to monitor patterns of cancer care**
- **Exploiting information to drive improvements in standards of cancer care and clinical outcomes**
- **Enabling use of cancer information to support audit and research programmes**

Site-Specific Clinical Reference Groups

- Brain/CNS
- Breast
- Children, Teenage & Young Adults
- Colo-rectal
- Gynaecological cancers
- Haematological cancers (including lymphoma)
- Head & Neck (including thyroid)
- Lung (including mesothelioma)
- Bone & soft tissue Sarcoma
- Skin (including non-melanoma)
- Upper GI (including Hepato-biliary)
- Urology (all 4 sub-types)

SSCRG Terms of Reference



Terms of Reference

- To provide, clinical and service led specialist advice to support the NCIN's core objectives which can be summarised as follows:
- Enabling use of existing cancer information to support commissioning & the implementation of Improving Outcomes and other National Guidance.
- Exploiting information to drive improvements in standards of cancer care and clinical outcomes.
- Enabling use of cancer information to support audit and research programmes.
- Promoting efficient and effective data collection throughout the cancer journey.
- Providing a common national repository for cancer datasets within the framework of the National Cancer Dataset.
- Producing expert analyses, based on robust methodologies, to monitor patterns of cancer care.
- Providing effective dissemination of findings to healthcare professionals, managers and the general public.

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Site-Specific Clinical Reference Groups - membership

- The relevant major colleges and professional groups (including pathology)
 - The lead cancer registry
 - Any national audit group (e.g. NCASP) relevant to the tumour site(s)
 - The relevant NCRI Clinical Study Group
 - Patients (minimum 2 – at least one of whom should ideally be a member of the relevant NCRI CSG)
 - The major, relevant voluntary sector groups/charities
 - The Director from the lead Cancer Network for the tumour site
- ≤ 12
- A member from the 'national cancer strategic team' (DH, NCAT, Peer Review Team or NHS Improvement)
 - The NCIN core management team.

Main issues for SSCRGs

- Development of a work programme (linked to national priorities)
- Support for data set development
- Identification of main clinical indicators
- Supporting the development of Peer Review measures
- Advising on co-morbidity/radiology etc.
- Improving staging (engaging pathologists)
- Promoting clinical (and public) engagement
- Advising on reporting
- Making the most of links with the research community
- Supporting the use of data to change clinical practice
- Advising on care pathways (Map of Medicine)

Other workstreams

- Pathology
- Radiology
- Radiotherapy (NRIG)
- Chemotherapy (NCIG)
- Co-morbidity – C-M Advisory Group

Drivers for change

- Cancer Peer Review (*'Clinical Lines of Enquiry'*)
- CQC 'Annual Health Check'
- Peer pressure
- Voluntary sector pressure
- Cancer Reform Strategy
- DH 'Quality agenda' (*Quality Accounts*)
- Commissioning
- National Guidelines
- Patient choice

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+ Data

**Clinical
Outcomes Group**

Clinical Outcomes Group:

Main purposes



- To provide a strategic link between the NCIN & the National Cancer Action Team
- To oversee & support the development of Peer Review
- To link between those producing data and those responsible for improving the quality of care
- To identify what data is required to support the strategic development of cancer services
- To support 'intelligent commissioning'
- To promote the use of outcome data in service improvement
- To support the implementation of NICE guidance
- To support the development of care pathways

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Clinical Outcomes Group: Members



- NCIN
- National Cancer Action Team
- Peer Review Team
- DH Cancer Policy Team
- DH Quality Team
- SHA rep
- Specialist commissioner
- Network Director
- NHS Improvement
- NHS Information Centre
- NICE
- CQC

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