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New NBOCA Quarterly Report - published 11 July 2024

NBOCA has published today its first "new-style" quarterly report, providing an overview of the quality of key data items captured in the rapid cancer registration data for people diagnosed with bowel cancer at NHS trusts in England between 1st October 2022 and 30th September 2023, at NHS trust and Cancer Alliance levels. A high-level summary of patient characteristics is also provided at NHS trust and Cancer Alliance levels.

This report, and the next one published in October, focus on data quality. The subsequent quarterly reports will report on performance indicators relevant to bowel cancer.

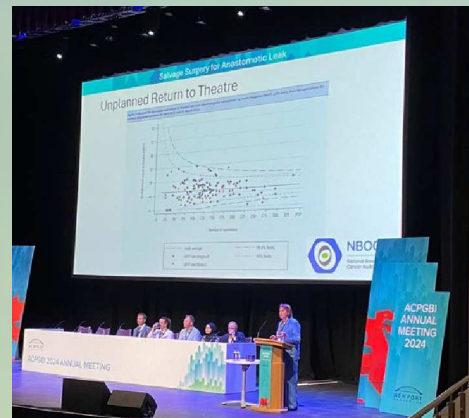
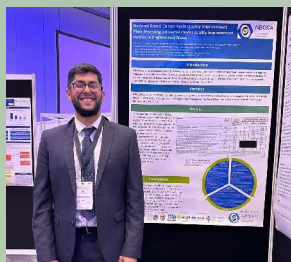
The purpose of today's report on data quality is to support Trusts with identifying opportunities to improve data submissions to the Cancer Outcomes and Services Dataset (COSD) to be able to facilitate better reporting on performance indicators in the future. We encourage all provider teams to review their data completeness and make improvements as required.

View the first "new-style" quarterly report [here](#).

News from the ACPGBI Annual Meeting 2024

The NBOCA Project Team were delighted to present at the ACPGBI Annual Meeting earlier this month and covered various topics:

- NBOCA Quality Improvement
- 30-day mortality after palliative chemotherapy
- Improved risk model for emergency bowel cancer surgery



Upcoming publication dates



11 July 2024:

NBOCA Quarterly Report (Data Quality)*

October 2024:

NBOCA Quarterly Report (Data Quality)*

January 2025:

NBOCA Quarterly Report (Performance Indicators)*

NBOCA Annual "State of the Nation" Report

NBOCA Annual Report for Public & Patients

*England only

Quality Improvement

Be sure to look out for the NBOCA's Quality Improvement Plan, which will be published on our Audit webpages this summer.

The Plan, which has been developed in collaboration with members of the Audit's Clinical Advisory Group, builds on the Audit's [Scoping document](#) and identifies ten key performance indicators. These indicators will be reported on in the next NBOCA State of the Nation report, scheduled to be published in January 2025.



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