Which information sources do we link to?

- Hospital Episode Statistics (HES)
- Office of National Statistics (ONS)
- National Radiotherapy Dataset (RTDS)
- Systemic Anti-Cancer Therapy (SACT, the chemotherapy dataset)
- Intensive Care National Audit & Research Centre dataset (ICNARC)
- Patient Episode Database for Wales (PEDW)
- CPRD (Clinical Practice Research Datalink – GP data)
- COSD (Cancer Outcomes and Services Dataset)
- Cancer Registration data
- Patient Report Experience Measures (PREMS)

Our partners

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The Royal College of Radiologists

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National Oesophago-Gastric Cancer Audit:
What you need to know

NHS

The National Oesophago-Gastric Cancer Audit aims to improve patient care.

By looking at what is being done now, the audit can suggest changes to improve care for people with oesophageal and stomach cancer in the future.

The audit compares the care oesophageal and stomach cancer patients receive across England and Wales. One way it does this is by looking at the standard of care patients receive and how successful their treatment is.

Why do we need your information?

The information collected in the audit will help to:

- identify differences in quality of care and provision of services throughout England and Wales

- identify good practice and share it with other healthcare organisations

- check that the NHS and other organisations providing care are following national guidelines

What does the audit look for?

The audit compares the care oesophageal and stomach cancer patients receive across England and Wales by looking at:

- whether care meets national guidelines

- how successful treatment is

- differences in care across regions

What health information is collected?

The audit collects identifiable information from hospitals about your cancer treatment to track your care wherever you receive it.

This identifiable information is linked to other data sources, which are listed at the back of this leaflet.

We may provide hospitals with NHS numbers so they can check the information about those patients is correct.

The data within the published audit report is anonymised, which means that a patient cannot be identified because their personal information is removed.

You can find out more about the information we collect, your rights and how we look after your data: www.nogca.org.uk

How do we keep your information safe and confidential?

NHS Digital is a government organisation set up to collect and study information on health and social care.

NHS Digital has been given permission to use and store patient information in order to carry out this audit in line with strict regulation under Acts of Parliament.

Your right to say no

If you do not want your information to be used in the audit, please contact our enquiries team (enquiries@nhsdigital.nhs.uk or 0300 303 5678) and they will talk you through the process of having your data removed.

If you have registered a national data opt-out, your information will not be used in the audit.

This will not affect your treatment or care in any way.

Where can I see the audit reports?

The audit produces a report every year, as well as other special reports. All of the reports are available on our website at: www.nogca.org.uk