



National Cancer Audit Collaborating Centre

UPCARE: Programme name - please do not change this field.* National Cancer Audit Collaborating Centre

Workstream name (if applicable) - please do not change this field.* National Prostate Cancer Audit (NPCA)

Contract status Ongoing

Audit or non-audit Audit

HQIP commissioned* Yes

HQIP AD CR

HQIP PM SW

1.0 Included in current NHS Quality Accounts* Yes

1.1a Geographical coverage - HQIP agreement* England; Wales

1.2a Topic - please select which ONE of the following best describes the topic area for the programme or workstream. If more than one apply, please select 'Other' and add comment to the next question.* Cancer

1.2b If you selected 'Other' above, please provide details.* Cancer and Urology

1.3a Healthcare setting* NHS secondary or tertiary care

1.4 Inclusion and exclusion criteria* Patients are eligible for inclusion in the prospective audit if they have newly diagnosed prostate cancer using the ICD10 diagnostic code of "C61" (malignant neoplasm of the prostate). A patient is included in the prospective audit in England if he has a record of newly diagnosed prostate cancer in the National Cancer Registration Dataset (or Rapid Cancer Registration Dataset). A patient is included in the prospective audit in Wales if a completed NPCA record was submitted and

the Wales Cancer Network (WCN) can assign that record to a diagnosing Health Board

1.5 Methods of data submission* Extraction from existing data source(s)

1.6a 2023/24 data submission closes - please indicate date, series of dates or frequency.* This is ongoing and in line with COSD reporting requirements.

1.6b 2024/25 data submission closes - please indicate date, series of dates or frequency.* This is ongoing and in line with COSD reporting requirements.

1.7 Data flow diagram [NATCAN Dataflow diagram - with information on the NPCA dataflow and linkages](#)

1.8 Data quality & analysis plan <https://www.npca.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2025/01/NPCA-State-of-the-Nation-Methodology-Supplement-2024.pdf>

1.9 Outlier policy <https://www.npca.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2024/10/NPCA-Outlier-Policy-2024.pdf>

2.1 Outcome measures

<https://www.npca.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2025/01/NPCA-State-of-the-Nation-Methodology-Supplement-2024.pdf>

2.2 Process measures <https://www.npca.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2025/01/NPCA-State-of-the-Nation-Methodology-Supplement-2024.pdf>

2.3 Organisational measures [National Prostate Cancer Audit Organisational Audit 2022.xlsx](#)

2.4 Patient reported outcome measures Outcomes of treatment: patient-reported: These performance indicators present the validated summary score for each EPIC-26 domain, which ranges from 0 to 100 with higher scores representing better function.

- Mean urinary incontinence score after radical prostatectomy (presented at the level of the surgery centre).
- Mean sexual function score after radical prostatectomy (presented at the level of the surgery centre).
- Mean bowel function score after radical radiotherapy (presented at the level of the radiotherapy centre).
- Mean sexual function score after radical radiotherapy (presented at the level of the radiotherapy centre).

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[Quality Improvement case study - Patient-reported urinary continence post-surgery_Nov2020](#)

2.5 Patient reported experience measures [Patient experience of care: These process indicators provide information on key aspects of a man's experience of care following a prostate cancer diagnosis and were derived from selected NCPES questions in the NPCA patient survey.](#)

- [Proportion of patients who were given the name of a clinical nurse specialist \(presented at the level of the SMDT\).](#)
- [Proportion of patients rating their overall care as at least 8 out of 10 \(presented at the level of the SMDT\).](#)

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2.6a Do measures align with any of the following sources of evidence (select all that apply)	NICE clinical guideline; NICE quality standard
2.6b Evidence supplemental information	NPCA Methodological Update September 2023.FINAL.PDF
3.1 Results visualisation	Annual report; Interactive online portal (run charts not available); Patient report
3.2a Levels of reporting*	National; Trust or health board; Cancer alliance
3.3 Timeliness of results feedback	Within 1 year; Within 2 years
3.4 Link to dynamic reporting*	https://www.npca.org.uk/reports/?audience%5B%5D=professional
2024/25 Dataset covers the period FROM/TO (within financial year 01/04 to 31/03)*	01/10/2022 - 24/06/2024
Dataset #1 name	NPCA Minimum Dataset
Dataset #1 type*	Clinical audit
Dataset #1 population coverage*	All eligible patients
Dataset #1 items collected (n)	237
Dataset #1 items from existing national datasets (n)	237
Dataset #1 use of existing national datasets	Cancer outcomes and services dataset (COSD); Cancer waiting times (CWT); Cancer network information system Cymru (CaNISC); Hospital episode statistics (HES); Radiotherapy dataset (RTDS); Patient episode database for Wales (PEDW); Systemic anticancer treatment (SACT); Diagnostic imaging dataset (DID); Cancer patient experience survey (CPES); Office for National Statistics (ONS)
Dataset #1 specification	https://www.npca.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2025/01/NPCA-Key-Data-Items_v0.2_January-2025.pdf

Dataset #4 name	Not applicable
When was your healthcare quality improvement plan (referred to as a QI Plan) last reviewed? Please upload under 'Files' below using the HQIP naming convention (click on response to see pop-up help text).	05/09/2024
When were your clinical performance indicators (referred to as metrics) signed off by funders? Please upload under 'Files' below using the HQIP template and naming convention (click on response to see pop-up help text).	27/09/2024
Please add the hyperlink to where your clinical performance indicators (referred to as metrics) are published on your project website.*	https://www.npca.org.uk/reports/npca-quality-improvement-plan-2024/
National report publication date (within calendar year 01/01 - 31/12/2023)*	12/01/2023
Published/planned national report publication date (within calendar year 01/01 - 31/12/2024)*	11/01/2024
Planned national report publication date (within calendar year 01/01 - 31/12/2025)*	09/01/2025 11/09/2025
Please add the most recent date that you have reviewed and updated an online	11/02/2025

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Workstream section(s)
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<https://www.npca.org.uk/resources/understanding-practice-in-clinical-audit-and-registries-tool-upcare-tool-2/>

Files 20240905_NATCAN-NPCA-QIplan.pdf
20240927 Metrics NPCA.xlsx