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# NICE indicator guidance

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## Indicator CCG02

The proportion of new cases of cancer with stage at diagnosis recorded.

## Indicator type

Clinical commissioning group indicator

## Rationale

A major determinant of cancer outcomes is the tumour stage at diagnosis. Improving the recording of cancer stage at diagnosis will allow more detailed and actionable analyses of outcomes by treatment type, patient pathway and case mix. Recording of stage at diagnosis will also contribute towards outcomes.

## Source guidance

[Suspected cancer: recognition and referral. NICE guideline NG12](https://www.nice.org.uk/guidance/ng12) (2015)

## Specification

Numerator: Number of cases in the denominator with a valid stage at diagnosis recorded, as defined by [UKIACR](http://www.ukiacr.org/) registration rules.

Denominator: The number of new invasive cases of cancer.

Calculation: (Numerator/denominator)\*100

Exclusions: People diagnosed with non-melanoma skin cancer.

Data source: Cancer Analysis System (CAS), National Cancer Intelligence Network (NCIN).

Minimum population: The indicator would be appropriate to assess performance of individual CCGs.

## Further information

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