



NAOPri Newsletter, February 2024

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NAOPri Scoping Document November 2023 - Executive Summary

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The information below is a summarised version of the main scoping work presented within the NAOPri Scoping Document. For further detail on the aspects covered below, please read the full published document available via <https://www.naopri.org.uk/naopri-scoping-document/>

Primary breast cancer

- Primary breast cancer which, at diagnosis, has not spread beyond the breast or nearby lymph nodes to other parts of the body
- Includes non-invasive (stage 0), early invasive (stages 1 to 3a) and locally advanced (stage 3b-c) breast cancer
- Accounts for nearly all (95%) of new breast cancers diagnosed

How has the scope of the NAOPri been developed?

- Review of work previously done by the NABCOP
- Review of the wider literature (including external quality standards)
- Consultation with stakeholders on priorities for audit

How has the NAOPri engaged with stakeholders so far?

- Sharing the new audit at professional organisation meetings
- Meeting with clinicians & patients at an initial Audit Advisory Committee meeting to discuss priorities and share early indicator thoughts
- Conducting a scoping survey from February to April 2023

What did we find from the scoping survey responses?

613 survey respondents for NAOPri questions including 83 surgeons, 77 oncologists, 79 nurses, and 288 patient/public respondents.

Survey responses highlighted:

- areas of care considered to be most in need of improvement, and
- important patient subgroups for the audit to focus on.

Which patients will the NAOPri include?

- All patients (male and female) with a recorded diagnosis of non-invasive or invasive primary breast cancer (ICD-10 C50-C59) with no evidence of metastatic spread
- Age ≥ 18 years at diagnosis
- Diagnosed in an NHS hospital within England and Wales

What data will the audit use?

- Existing national cancer datasets linked to other relevant health care datasets to a range of data collection for staff & patients
- Data will be provided by:
 - National Disease Registration Service (NDRS) - England
 - Wales Cancer Network (WCN) - Wales

What other things are there to consider?

- Data availability and completeness for key data items

NAOPri Scoping Document published

The NAOPri Scoping Document was published on 30th November 2023 and includes:

- a review of key primary breast cancer clinical guidelines & relevant literature,
- results from the Scoping Survey carried out from February to April 2023,
- a summary of key findings from the National Audit of Breast Cancer in Older Patients (NABCOP), and
- a review of NABCOP and external performance indicators.

You can access the full report [here](#) and the executive summary (shown left) [here](#).

NAOPri presence at the COSD Roadshows

We are pleased to have been involved with the COSD (Cancer Outcomes and Services Dataset) Roadshows throughout January 2024. This has given us the opportunity to highlight key data considerations for the NAOPri.

There is still the opportunity to join the [February COSD Roadshows](#) (dates & locations via the link). We look forward to seeing you there!

You can access the NAOPri COSD leaflet (shown right) [here](#).

NAOPri COSD Roadshow 2024

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This leaflet summarises key NAOPri information:

- NAOPri includes primary breast cancer (ICD-10 C50-C59) with no evidence of metastatic spread
- ICD-10 codes (C50-C59) for primary breast cancer patients
- Priority areas for quality improvement across the primary breast cancer pathway
- Areas that will be required to address these priority areas

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How will the audit share findings with NHS organisations?

- Annual State of the Nation reports
- Quarterly online dashboards, to support ongoing local quality improvement

Defining the cohort of patients with primary breast cancer

Primary breast cancer (ICD-10 C50-C59) with no evidence of metastatic spread

Priority areas for quality improvement identified along the patient pathway

- Diagnosis: Improve data collection for diagnosis, reduce variation in surgical care, ensure surgical records in NHS
- Investigative therapies: Reduce variation in oncological treatments, improve aORs, median, and long term outcomes, ensure treatments recorded in SACT/ATLAS
- Adjuvant therapy: Improve the movement of patients across the care pathway, ensure aORs, median, and long term outcomes, ensure recurrence recorded in COSD

Other new publications

Since our last Newsletter in October 2023, we would like to share the following publications:

NAOPri Key Data Items – a crucial resource with a list of COSD data items of key importance for the NAOPri. Access this [here](#).

This includes the **Fitness Assessment data items** for older patients, developed by the NABCOP. We encourage all clinicians/nurses to complete these important data items in line with the fitness assessment form which is available [here](#). This should take less than 5 minutes to complete for each patient.



NATCAN 1st Annual report this highlights the first year of progress for the 10 national cancer audits in England & Wales. It includes both breast cancer audits (NAOPri and NAOme).

Read the full report [here](#).

NAOPri Patient & Public Involvement (PPI) Forum – recruitment in progress

The NAOPri Patient & Public Involvement Forum set-up meeting was held on 11th December 2023 to discuss and plan recruitment.

We are now recruiting for a diverse range of members (including people who have primary breast cancer, or who are a friend, family member or carer to a person who has primary breast cancer) for the NAOPri PPI Forum.



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