



National Cancer Patient Experience Survey 2014

Cancer52 welcomes the publication of the new [National Cancer Patient Experience Survey](#) (25th September 2014) which shows that overall cancer patients are increasingly positive about their care.

We also greatly welcome the findings that access to a clinical nurse specialist (CNS) is a key driver in every aspect of positive patient experience as we now have evidence to support our long held belief in the significance of the CNS role.

However we remain concerned that the experience of people with rare and less common cancers has not improved for the fourth year in succession, and that they are less likely to have access to a CNS than people who have a cancer from the 'big four'.

Says Chair of Cancer52 Clara Mackay, "This lack of improvement underlines [our election manifesto](#) call for a revised cancer reform strategy that addresses the needs of people with rare and less common cancers."

Cancer52 and Quality Health, the company that produces the National Cancer Patient Experience Survey, is shortly to announce the scope of a partnership which will see a special report that will dig deeper into the challenges faced by people with a rare and less common cancer.

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