Where can I get more information?

- Online at **www.ndrs.nhs.uk**
- Talk to a member of your healthcare team.
- If there is a local support centre in your area, you will find their details in the box below.

Your Local Contact:

The National Cancer Registration and Analysis Service is part of Public Health England and collects information about all cancers in England.

Public Health England

Protecting and improving the nation's health

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Can I ask for my information not to be included in cancer registration?

Yes, you have the right to opt out of cancer registration and this will not affect the immediate care you receive.

If you would like to find out why cancer registration is so important or have any questions about the work we do, visit us online at **www.ndrs.nhs.uk**.

If you do not want your information included in the register, you can contact us at optout@phe.gov.uk or write to us at:

Director
National Cancer Registration and Analysis Service
Public Health England
Wellington House
133-155 Waterloo Road
London SE1 8UG.

We are supported by all the main UK cancer charities and cancer patient groups.

This leaflet is reviewed regularly. If you have any comments please email NCRASfeedback@phe.gov.uk

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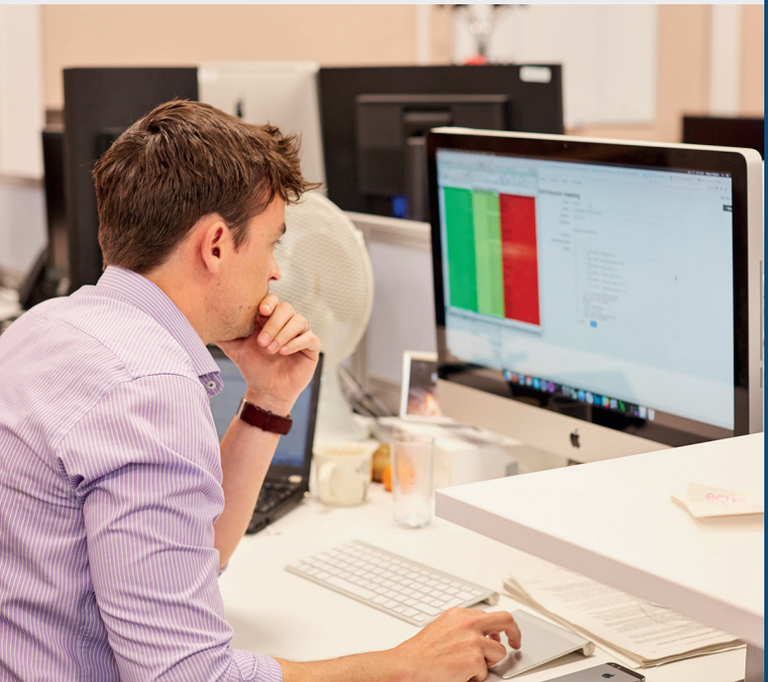
Cancer registration

Why it matters and what you need to know

What is cancer registration?

If you are diagnosed with cancer or a condition that may lead to cancer, the healthcare team looking after you will record the relevant information about your care and treatment. This applies to children and adults of all ages.

We collect information about all cancers in England. We want to make sure you know this is happening and that you know about the work we support and what you should do if you have any questions.



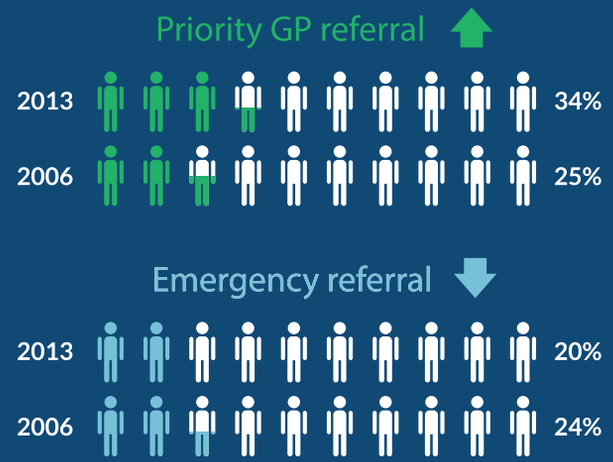
Why it matters?

This information helps us understand cancer better and make sure that people living with cancer receive the best possible care and support.

It is also used to:

- help identify the causes of cancer
- understand how many cancer types there are
- help doctors find the most effective treatments.

It is really important that cancer is diagnosed as early as possible and cancer registration supports work to improve earlier diagnosis.



This diagram shows that there has been an increase in the number of people who have been referred for earlier diagnosis by their GP and a decrease in the number who have been referred as an emergency since 2006.

Your information is important

Cancer is a complicated disease. Only by looking at the big picture can doctors and researchers develop new treatments and improve future care. That is why collecting as much information as we can about cancer is so important.

What information is collected?

We collect information about you, including:

- your name
- your date of birth and address
- your diagnosis
- your treatment.

Is my information secure?

- Yes, all your information is kept confidentially.
- We will keep your information safe and secure, making sure it is only used for healthcare purposes.
- If you would like to see the information we have about you, we can give this to your nominated doctor for them to share with you.