

NEWSLETTER

Highlights

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Anticipated release date of the NABCOP 2022 Annual Report: 12 May 2022

The NABCOP 2022 Annual Report will contain a comprehensive overview of breast cancer diagnosis and management, for women aged 50+ years diagnosed from 2014 to 2020 (2021 in England). Look out for further updates via our [Twitter page](#) and [website](#).



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Highlights since last issue

See our news items below on what we have been up to since January 2022.



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New breast cancer audits commencing in October 2022

As part of the new National Cancer Audit Collaborating Centre, [two audits on breast cancer are being commissioned](#). The audits will cover both primary and metastatic breast cancer among patients (women and men) of all ages. Our news item below provides details on how NHS organisations can prepare for the new breast cancer audit programme.



The NABCOP Spring Update

Highlights since last issue

Members of our team presented NABCOP findings at the **6th Symposium on Primary Breast Cancer in Older Women** which took place on the 4th March at Nottingham University. This event provided an excellent overview of management of the older patient with breast cancer, through a holistic and patient-centred approach. [Presentations](#) including those by the NABCOP team are available to download.

Key dates

13th May: [Age Anaesthesia conference](#). NABCOP Clinical Lead **Prof Kieran Horgan** will be delivering a talk on NABCOP findings in the 'Cancer in older people' session.

16-17th May: [Association of Breast Surgery Conference](#), Liverpool, UK. Look out for presentations by the NABCOP clinical lead **Prof Kieran Horgan & our Project Team** on our latest updates & research!

13-17th June: [Clinical Audit Awareness Week](#), run by HQIP and the National Quality Improvement (Incl. Clinical Audit) Network (N-QI-CAN).

New breast cancer audits in October 2022

The two new audits of primary and metastatic breast cancer starting in October 2022, [building on the NABCOP's work](#), will continue to use routinely collected cancer data for analysis and reporting. Breast units should strive to [continue to improve data completeness](#) for core & breast specific data items, as this will be invaluable for the new audits, and the NABCOP has shown there is still room for improvement in data completeness.

We anticipate that breast cancer care in older patients will remain a key priority for the new audits. In light of this, breast units are encouraged to continue to use the resources developed by the NABCOP, including the [NABCOP Fitness Assessment Form](#) and the [NABCOP guide to the breast cancer pathway for older women](#), to support older patients with a diagnosis of breast cancer.

Save the date!

The provisional publication date of the sixth and final NABCOP report is **12 May 2022***.

A [public and patients summary report](#), alongside our popular [supplementary materials](#) (including the NHS organisation data viewer), will also be published.

*subject to clearance and sign off

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