

# Pathfinder Study 2012

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- Mapped the experiences of those living and working with OC
- Highlighted challenges and opportunities
- Data on awareness, women's experiences, CNS, GPs
- Qualitative work with clinicians/researchers
- Identified a series of priority actions

## **PATHFINDER 2009**

- Improved access for GPs to diagnostic tests
- Award winning CPD tool for GPs
- Target Ovarian Cancer's programme of supportive services
- Feasibility study on benchmarking fed in to the ICBP study
- Target Ovarian Cancer's national research grants programme
- Call for a national awareness campaign
- All Party Parliamentary Group on Ovarian Cancer

# IMPACT

## **Aims and objectives include**

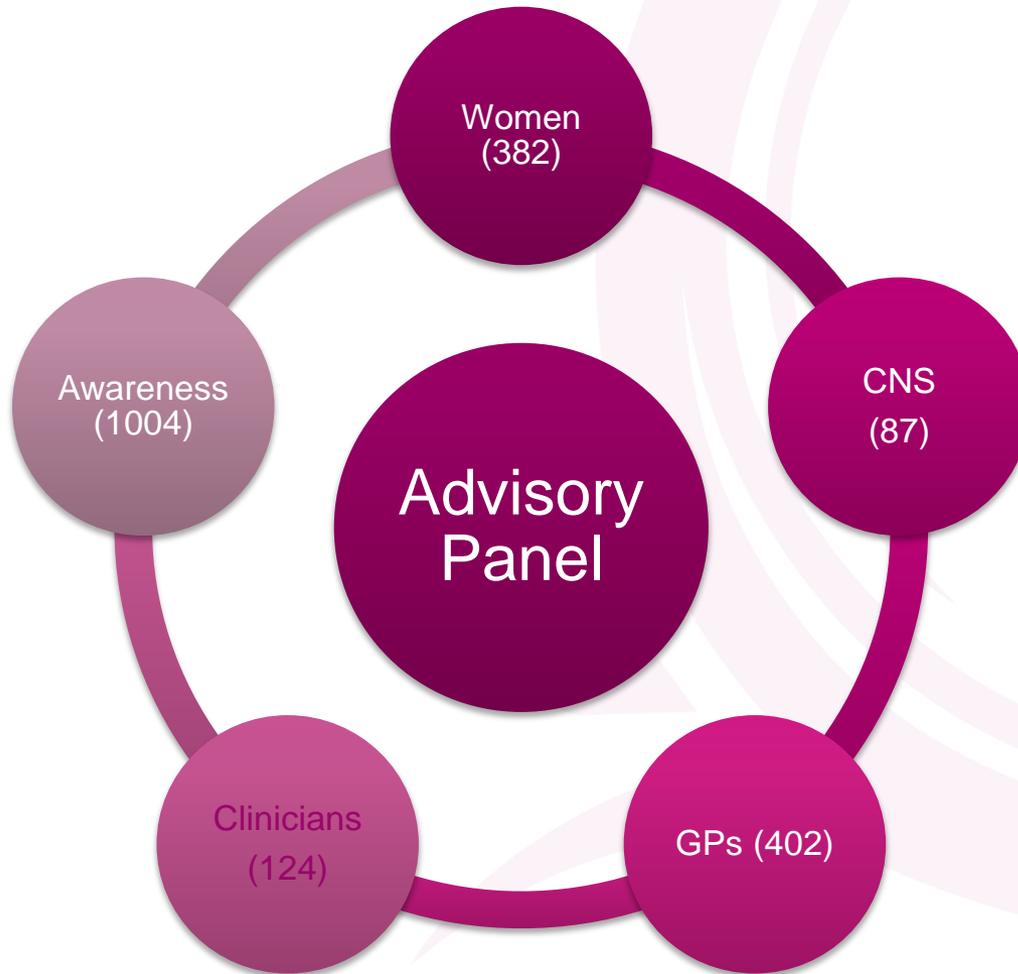
- To consult more widely with clinicians for the first time
- To re-measure key aspects of the first study (e.g. awareness, access to diagnostics, challenges facing CNS, women)
- Open up new opportunities to improve care for women
- To explore the impact of recent challenges in the health environment on the care for women with ovarian cancer

# **PATHFINDER 2012**



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# **ADVISORY PANEL 2012**



- Tracked changes in knowledge since 2009
- Positive and significant rises
- A long way to go.....

# AWARENESS

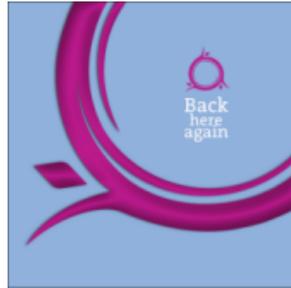


- Positive shifts in knowledge and attitudes
- Much larger awareness of NICE guidance than DH Messaging
- But one in ten have been refused access to diagnostic tests
- Need for roll out of DH access to diagnostics programme
- More GPs need to refer

# GP KNOWLEDGE & ACCESS TO DIAGNOSTICS

- Very strong similarities except in a few areas
- Information meets not met for 25% (diagnosis, chemo, surgery)
- Increased access to CNS but sharp fall in importance of CNS
- Fall in number of women asked about clinical trials
- Women WILL TRAVEL
- Women need most support AFTER TREATMENT

## WOMEN'S EXPERIENCES



- Pathway guides
- Being Together courses around UK
- Clinical trials database

# TARGET OVARIAN CANCER CAN HELP....



ENDANGERED SPECIES

# CLINICAL NURSE SPECIALISTS

Welcome to the 'CNS Hub', a site for Gynaecological Cancer Clinical Nurse Specialists in the UK. Our aim is to make it easier for you to support women with ovarian cancer to live their lives to the full.

We employed a Gynae Cancer CNS for six months to consult with as many in the Gynae Cancer CNS community as possible, and the content on this site reflects the evidence she gathered. You can read more about the project here (hyperlink to the development of this site).

From finding out how other nurses manage key issues such as ascites drainage, holistic assessment and new creative ways of working, all on our resources page, to peer to peer support through CNS blogs, to more about the work of Target Ovarian Cancer or information about policy, we hope you will find this site invaluable and will visit it regularly.

You can let us know what you think about the site and it's content here (email to either Karin or Debbie).



**Aims & Objectives**



**News**

**News Story Title 1**

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# COMING SOON.....

- Impact of current financial climate
- Role of the Clinical Nurse Specialist
- Role of the MDT
- Advances in surgery

# CLINICIANS



**Overall Winner**

23<sup>rd</sup> January 2012

4pm to 6pm

Houses of Parliament

**LAUNCH**

