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Contrasting colon and rectal Survivorship Outcome Pathways in North Trent

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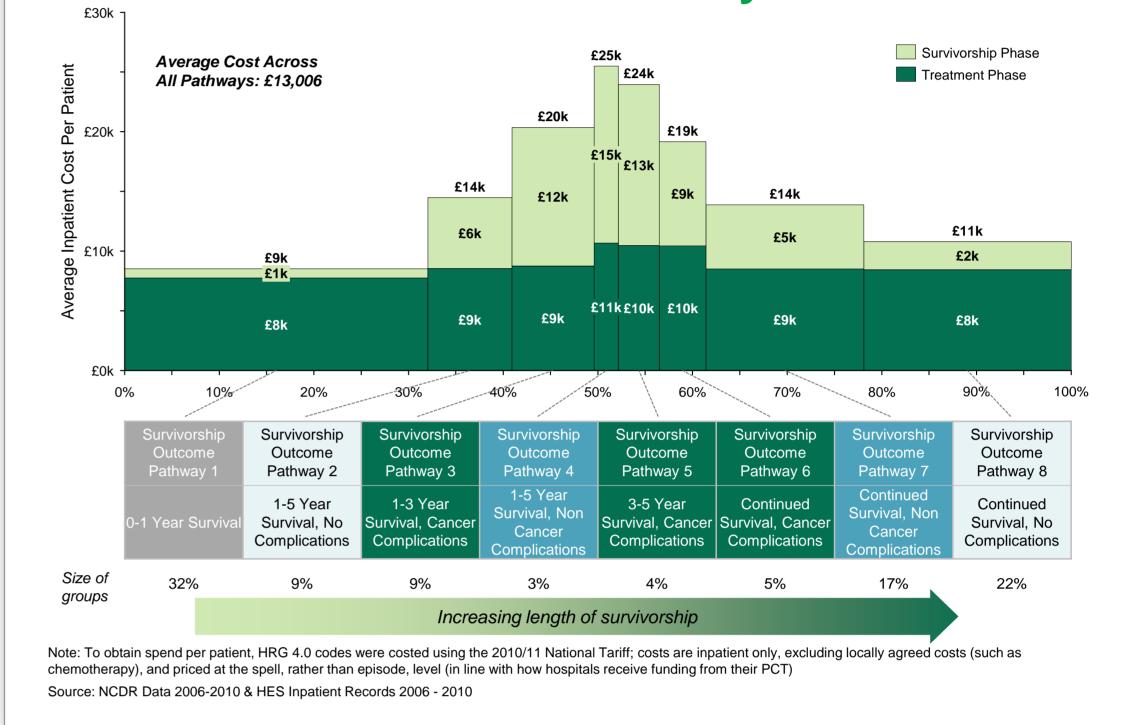
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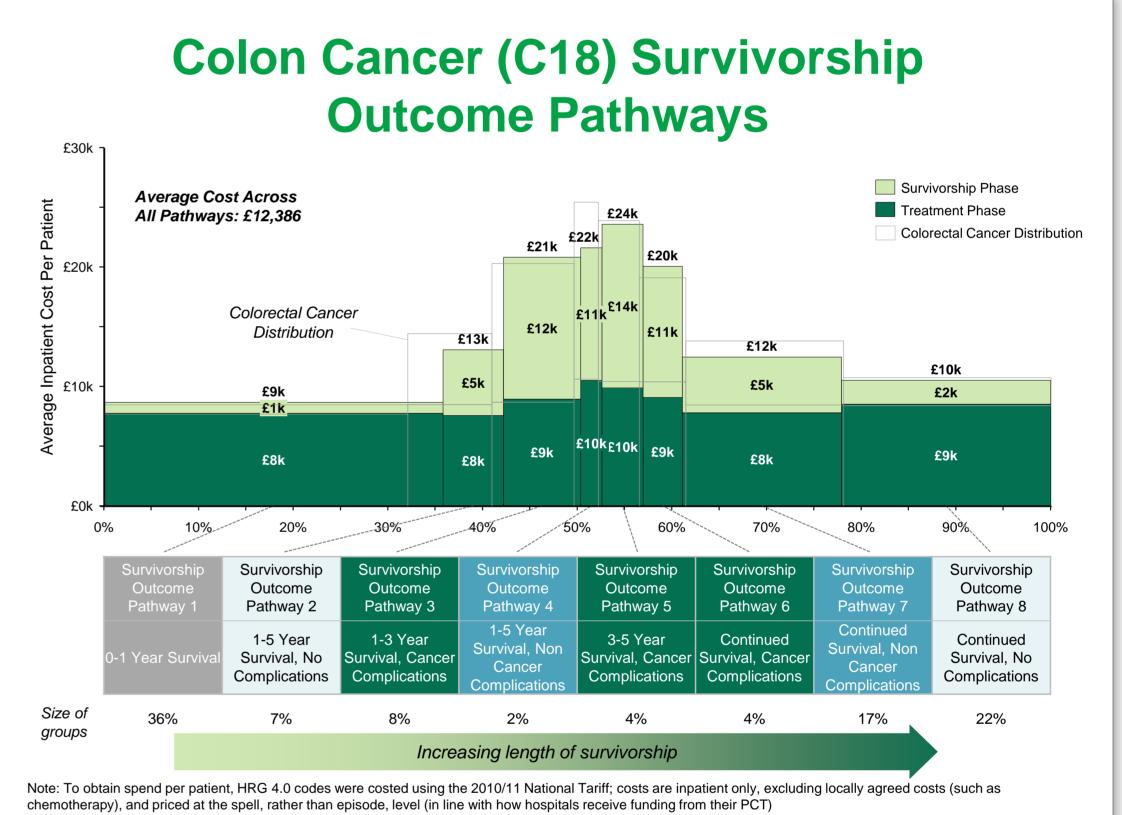
The aim of the analysis was to enhance work previously reported¹ on the survivorship outcome pathway framework for a 2006 colorectal cancer patient cohort of 1,013 patients in the North Trent Cancer Network to make to make the framework more intuitive, specific and easier to evaluate from a clinical perspective. Specifically by splitting the colorectal population into separate colon and rectal cancer groups, evaluating each independently and comparing results between the two.

Method

Previously presented work had established the outcomes framework for colorectal cancer within the North Trent Cancer Network in 2006¹. In this analysis that population was split into a colon cancer group defined by presence of a C18 ICD-10 code for the patient (n=625) and a rectal cancer group defined by the presence of a C19 or C20 ICD-10 code for the patient (n=388). The survivorship outcome pathway framework was then applied to each group independently.

Colorectal Cancer (C18-20) Survivorship Outcome Pathways



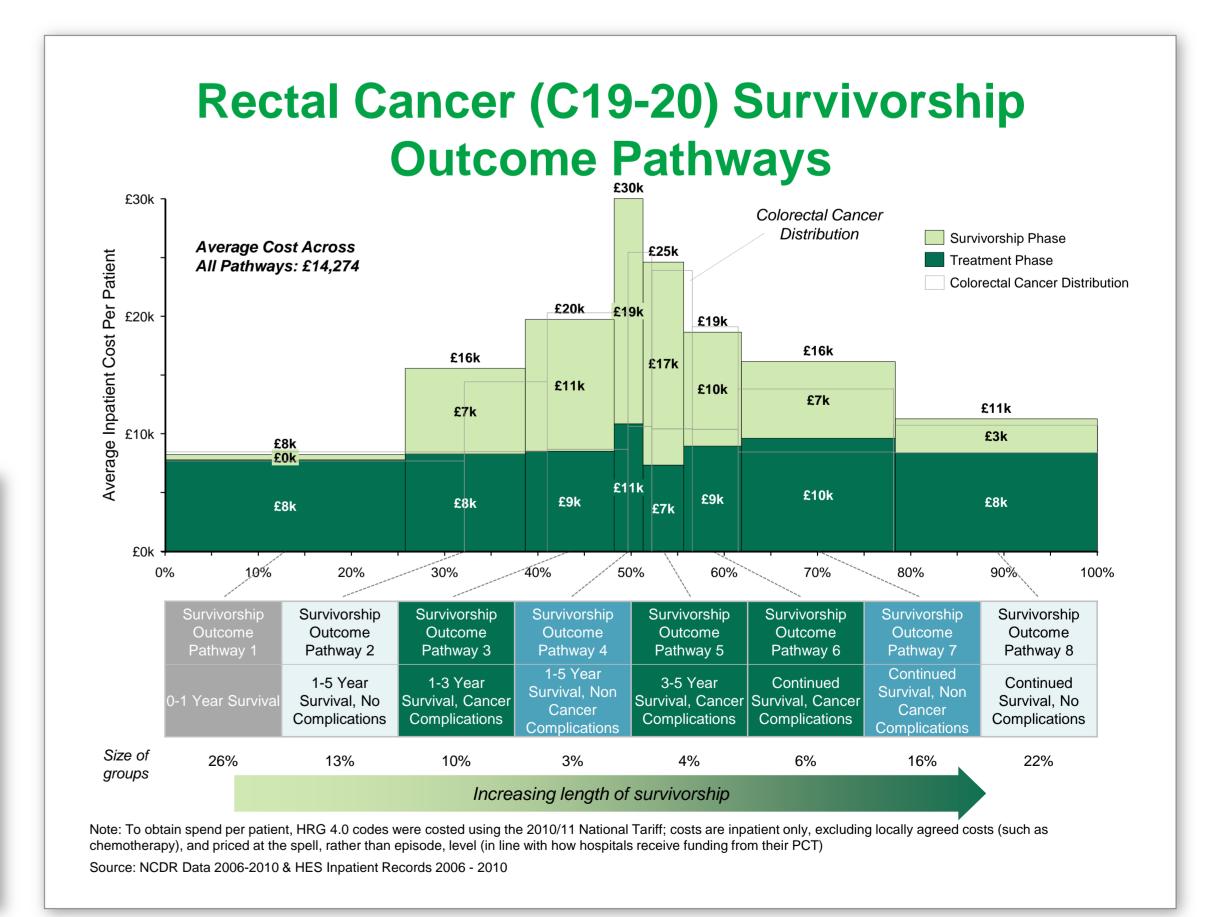


Results

interesting differences were noted Several between each survivorship population. A higher proportion of colon cancer patients died within the first year (36% vs 26% for rectal cancer) while a very similar proportion of the population for each cancer had continued survival through the end of the dataset analysed with survival of 5+ years (43% Colon vs 44% Rectal). The difference is seen in a greater proportion of the rectal cancer patient population achieving 1-5 year survival. The greater proportion of the rectal population existing in the more expensive 1-5 year population groups drove the majority of the ~£2K average cost difference observed per patient.

Conclusion

Source: NCDR Data 2006-2010 & HES Inpatient Records 2006 - 2010



The survivorship outcomes pathway framework remains robust when comparing across similar cancers, is a novel way of comparing the survivorship populations and provides a depiction that sits well with the clinical view of the disease.

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[1] Testing the applicability and robustness of a Nationally-derived, tumour-specfic survivorship outcome framework with recent, localized data (colorectal cancer, North Trent) (Woolmore et al, 2012)