What do the patients want to know?

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On Diagnosis

- Don't know what we want to know
- Want to know getting best possible care as fast as possible
- Want to know where centres of excellence are
 - However actually want every centre to have best care and outcomes
 - However may want choice if there are different ways of doing things eg keyhole surgery
 - Want access to trials wherever they are in UK
 - Want access to 2nd or 3rd line treatment wherever in UK

Info needs

- Cases per surgeon/oncologist and survival rates at least 2/month minimum
- At least 2 surgeons per centre
- Whether research/trials happening
- What resources available eg CNS, palliative care, dieticians, follow up
- Cardiothoracic v UGI surgeon for O-G
- Speed of actions after diagnosis and speed of diagnosis

On reflection

- Don't want to enforce everyone to be the same – stiffles innovation and research?
- However want everyone to have highest standards
- What is best practice?
- What is the case mix? Eg co-morbidities etc

Unanswered Questions

 Why does 1 year survival in UK for pancreatic cancer vary from 10.7% in N Trent to over 20% in N, W, SW London and Surrey and Sussex and Europe and SW Australia?

• Why does 1 year and 3 year survival for O-G cancers vary so much between networks?

Unanswered Questions

- Diagnosis
 - Are there delays and what causes them?
 - Broken down by cancer type not just Upper GI
- Outcomes
 - Do we need 6 month survival rates for this group of cancers?
 - Follow-up methods?
- Service provision, quality of life
- Broken down by cancer subtype eg adenocarcinoma,squamous,neuroendocrine