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Collecting, Understanding, Reporting, Interpreting and Exploring Patient-Reported Outcomes and Experience in adult cancer patients: a coordinated multi-centre quality improvement project

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Patients’ testimonials, version 1.0

"When undergoing cancer treatment, patients often worry about side effects and the ability to carry on their lives. We want to find out what these worries are and how treatment affects their lives so the quality of cancer care can be improved even more. For the first time, a research project will try and find what those experiences and concerns are (PREMS), and what the effects of treatments are (PROMS), for cancer patients all over England, using modern methods of data collection. Patients will report their own concerns, their own outcomes.

We will be asking people of all colours and races, all ages, men and women, members of religious groups, and whatever their outlook on life, to gift their data to this study. It all matters.

The data will be used to guide individual treatment and be analysed for the benefit of future patients. We hope that care for cancer patients will become more personalised and add to quality of life as well as longevity." – Jacqui Gath

"I know from personal experience that cancer and its treatments can have impact both immediately and in the future on a patient's physical and mental health as well as economic impacts. Understandably, it is easier to collect data on the immediate physical impacts, but CURIE & INDIGO will help to paint a more holistic picture of the real-world impacts." – Pete Wheatstone

"When you are diagnosed with cancer it is easy to forget that before we are a patient, we are people. As a person, we are more resilient, more resourceful and better able to live our best possible day. This research, which focuses on the impact of treatment, will help people living with cancer to decide what is important to them, so that they can live the life they want as people, and not patients." – Dr Helen Bulbeck