

# The National Cancer Dataset Project

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*.....Better information on cancer services and outcomes will enhance patient choice, drive up service quality and underpin stronger commissioning;*

*.....Collection of defined datasets on all cancer patients will be mandated through the national model contract. PCTs will be responsible for ensuring that this information is collected by MDTs and sent to cancer registries*

*.....We particularly need to collect and use high quality data on:*

*.....Clinical outcomes, including survival, with adjustments for co-morbidity and stage of disease.*

8.14 The most important gaps in data collection have been identified as follows:

- *Information on staging and co-morbidity is only variably recorded by teams caring for cancer patients*
- *Information on histopathology and cytopathology is inadequately recorded*

# Project Purpose

- To redevelop the National Cancer Dataset for use as a full operational standard in England
- To review the current business needs for the collections and make sure that the output is fit for purpose

# SSCRG progress

- Approved mandated datasets
  - Cancer registration – additional review
  - GFoCW
  - Radiotherapy
  - CDS
- 12 SSCRGs identifying ‘site specific’ items
  - Link to ‘output’ requirements
  - Considering existing datasets e.g. NCASP, BAUS
  - Preliminary consultation with CN TSSGs lead clinicians
    - late 2009/2010



## NHS Data Dictionary - Cancer Registration Dataset

*“Investigations into the possible use of  
the ACE-27 coding system are  
continuing”*



# Challenges for Co-morbidity?

- Co-morbidity Scales
  - Generic?
  - Site specific?
- Derive from in-patient data
  - What about the non inpatient groups?
- What about children and young adults?
  - Is this a separate area of work?