

Cancer in Children, Teens and Young Adults

National Confidential Enquiry into Patient Outcome and Death (NCEPOD)

Clinician Questionnaire A

To be completed by the doctor who prescribed the most recent protocol of SACT

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Grade: _____ Specialty: ____

What is this study about?

To identify and explore avoidable and remediable factors in the process of care of children, teens and young adults aged 25 and younger who died/ or had an unplanned admission to ICU (Level 3) within 60 days of receiving systemic anti-cancer therapy (SACT)

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Inclusions:

Patients:

- Up to and including the age of 25 years
- Who have a cancer diagnosis (ICD10 codes C00-D10; D37-D48)
- Who have received systemic anti cancer therapy (SACT) intravenous, oral, subcutaneous, intrathecal, or intraperitoneal chemotherapy, monoclonal antibodies or cytokines; and
- Who have died or been admitted to PICU/ICU within 60 days of receving SACT

For the purpose of this questionnaire the most recent procotol/cycle refers to the most recent date within the study time period (1st March 2014 - 31st May 2016)

Exclusions:

- Planned admissions to ICU (e.g. post surgery)
- Incidental deaths (e.g. trauma-related)

CPD accreditation:

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Questions or help?

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Thank you for taking the time to complete this questionnaire. The findings of the study will be published in December 2017.

This questionnaire should be completed by the named consultant in the accompanying letter who prescribed the protocol of SACT, but can be completed by one of their trainees if signed off by the named consultant.

NOTE OF CONFIDENTIALITY: Your responses are strictly confidential and will only be used as part of this aggregated data set and will not be shared with any third parties.

If you (the clinician completing the questionnaire) would like email confirmation of the completion of this questionnaire for your records, please clearly supply your email address below:

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DEFINITIONS	S					
Cycle:				which is a treatment fo three, or four weeks lo		period of rest. A cycle can last
CV access:				ollow plastic tube calle ir invasive medication.	d a 'cathete	er' or 'line' is placed in a vein and
Febrile neutropenia	neutroper	nia, an abnorma n lead to neutrop	illy low number of		es (a type of	ection, in a patient with f white blood cell) in the blood icancer treatment (particulary
Levels of care	Level 3 (F	PICU/PCCU)				
Paediatrics:			and Level 3 paedi ive Care Unit (Pl0		_evel 1 if red	quired). This unit may also be
Adult/general:	Level 2. (IOLI). Defined an administration of a minimum of a level and a level					
Performance score (Lansky/ Karnofsky):	score Lansky/Karnofsky performance score is used to determine the functional status of a patient. The Lansky score has been designed for patients aged less than 16 years old and the Karnofsky score is designed for patients aged 16 years and older (see page 14 for Lansky/Karnofsky scale)					
Paediatric oncology shared care unit (POSCU)	Paediatric oncology A designated hospital that shares the care of paediatric oncology patients with a Principal Treatment Centre shared care unit					
Principal treatment centre (PTC)	The speci	ialist paediatric	oncology unit tha	t is coordinating the pa	tient's care	
Protocol/ regimen/ line:				of cycles of chemothe erapy constitute a prot		onsistute a complete chemotherapy e) of chemotherapy.
Systemic anti cancer therapy (SACT)		neal chemothe		venous, oral, subcutan antibodies or cytokine		vesical, intrathecal, or ding vaccines, gene therapy and
Teenage/young adult designated hospital	Teenage	and Young Adu	It specialist haem	natology and oncology	unit that co	ordinates the patient's care



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TIMEFRAME - QUESTIONNAIRES SHOULD BE COMPLETED FOR PATIENTS WHO WERE TREATED WITH SACT BETWEEN 1ST MARCH 2014 - 31ST MAY 2016 - for patients admitted with multiple treatments this refers to the last treatment within the study period.

l.		pelow to provide a brief summary of this case, ad relevant. Please write clearly for the benefit of the parate sheet.	
	NCEPOD attaches of possible about the	great importance to this summary. Please give care of this patient.	as much information as
В	. PATIENT DE	ΓAILS	
2.	Age (date the patient	t died/was admitted to PICU/ICU*)	years
3.	Gender Male	e Female	*Please see definitions on p.2
4a.		ulties in communication with the patient/ learning difficulities/ language barriers)?	☐ Yes ☐ No
4b.	If YES to 4a, please p	orovide details:	
5.	For solid tumours and	lymphomas:	
a.	Please state primary	site of tumour or type of haematological malignand	cy:
i)	Head and neck		
ii)	CNS		
iii)	Thorax		
iv)	Abdomen		
v)	Other (please state):		
	Unknown		



C.	PAST MEDICAL HISTORY		
6.	What was the date of the first diagnosis of cancer?		dd/mm/yy
7.	Please list any significant past medical history not relating to the cancer: <u>Condition</u> <u>Date fil</u>	rst diagnosed	
a.			dd/mm/yy
b.			dd/mm/yy
c.			dd/mm/yy
8a.	Has this patient recently been transitioned between services?	Yes	☐ No
8b.	If YES to 8a, was this:		
i)	Paediatric to adolescent services Yes No Date:		dd/mm/yy
ii)	Paediatric to adult services		dd/mm/yy
8c.	If YES to 8a, in your opinion, were there any problems associated with the transition of care?	Yes	☐ No
8d.	If YES to 8c, please provide details:		
9a.	Has this patient undergone surgery as part of their treatment of this malignancy?	Yes	☐ No
9b.	If YES to 9a, please provide details:		
	<u>Date:</u> <u>Surgery:</u>		
40	d d m m y y		
	Has this patient received radiotherapy as part of their treatment of this malignancy?	∐ Yes	∐ No
10b.	If YES to 10a, please specify the following:		
i)	Date of first fraction: ii) Site: Unknown		
	Unknown Unknown		
	d d m m y y		
iii)	Dose in Gy: iv) Number of fractions: v)	Duration (days	<u>s):</u>
	☐ Unknown ☐ Unknown	Unknown	
11.	Was radiotherapy given concurrently with this most recent protocol* of SACT*? *Please see definitions on p.2	☐ No	Unknown
12a.	Has this nationt had provious protocols of CACT for the	□ No	☐ I linken accord
	current or other cancer?	∐ No	Unknown
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*Please see definitions on p.2				
12b. If YES to 12a, please sup number of cycles completed				ble, making clear the
Protocol/ regimen* (not including the most recent):	Start of protocol date: d d m m y y	No. of cycles* completed	Patient responding to treatment (Y/N)	Intent of treatment: curative/ pallative
			☐ Y ☐ N	C P
			☐ Y ☐ N	СПР
			☐ Y ☐ N	СПР
			☐ Y ☐ N	СПР
D. MEDICAL COND OF SACT WAS PRES		MOST REC	ENT PROTO	COL
13. Please select the known	site(s) of disease when t	his protocol of S	SACT was started (select all that apply):
No macroscopic dise	ase Lymp	h nodes	Metastas	es
Primary site (specify	sites):			
Other (specify sites):				
Unknown				
14a. For haematological malig	nancies please state if th	nis was:		
Acute lymphoblastic	leukaemia	Acute	myeloid leukaemia	ı
14b. At the time the most rece patient in remission?	nt protocol was prescribe	ed was the	Yes	☐ No
14c. If YES to 14b , what was	the recorded date of rem	nission:		dd/mm/yy
14d. Had the patient relapsed?	•		Yes	☐ No
14e. If YES to 14d, please stat	te date(s) and site(s) of r	elapse(s):		
<u>Date:</u>	Site:			
dd mm y y				
d d m m y y				
d d m m y y				-
dd mm y y				



15a.	Was a performance score taken to describe the fitness of the patient immediately prior to when the most recent protocol of SACT was initiated?
15b.	If YES to 15a, please state which one was used and the performance score recorded*:
	LANSKY (1-100)* KARNOFSKY(1-100)* Other score *Please see definitions on p.14
	Unknown Unknown
15c.	If NO to 15a (no score was recorded) how was the fitness for treatment recorded?
 16.	Compared to the previous protocol of SACT, if this is not the first protocol what was the clinical status of the patient?
	Patient responding to treatment Patient not responding to treatment (no deterioration
	Patient not responding to treatment (deterioration in condition) N/A (first protocol)
	Other (please state):
17.	Please state any comorbidities present at the time of prescription of the most recent protocol of SACT?
	☐ Cardiac ☐ Respiratory ☐ Psychiatric ☐ Sepsis
	Renal Gastrointestinal Endocrine
	☐ Vascular ☐ Musculoskeletal ☐ Genetic abnormality or syndrome ☐ Neurological
	Other (please state): Unknown
18.	Please state any medical complications of cancer present at time of protocol prescription:
	Renal failure Liver failure Pleural effusion Ascites
	Neurological dysfunction (specify)
	Other (specify)
	Unknown
E.	MANAGEMENT PLAN
19.	Please provide details of the most recent planned protocol of SACT:
i)	Protocol/regimen
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ii)	Drugs
iii)	Method of calculation: Unknown target doses mg/m2 or AUC
v)	Which service oversaw prescription of SACT: Adult haematology Adult solid tumour
	Other (please state): Paediatric chemotherapy service
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20a.	Was this protocol of SACT agreed at an MDT meeting?							
20b.	If YES to 20a, which specialities were in attendance at this MDT meeting?							
	Specialty codes on p.2							
21.	What was the grade of doctor who initated/ prescribed the protocol of SACT? Please mark one only							
	☐ Consultant ☐ Associate Specialist ☐ Clinical Fellow ☐ Staff Grade							
	☐ F1/F2 ☐ ST 1/2 ☐ ST3 and above ☐ Not documented							
	Other (please state):							
22.	Please state the specialty of doctor who initiated/ prescribed this protocol of SACT?							
	Specialty codes on p.2							
23.	Is there a local written clinical care pathway for the management Yes No Unknown of this malignancy?							
24a.	Was this protocol of SACT given as part of a research study?							
24b.	If YES to 24a, was this:							
	A single-centre trial A multi-centre trial							
	An industry sponsored trial A national cancer research network approved trial							
	Unknown							
24c.	If YES to 24a, which phase of the study was it?							
	Phase 1 Phase 2 Phase 3							
25a.	Was consent for therapy documented in the case notes?							
25b.	If YES to 25a, who took consent?							
	☐ Consultant ☐ Associate Specialist ☐ Clinical Fellow ☐ Staff Grade							
	☐ F1/F2 ☐ ST 1/2 ☐ ST3 and above ☐ Not documented							
	Other (please state):							
25c.	If YES to 25a, please specify the specialty of the clinician who took consent Specialty codes on p.2							
	Were discussions around consent recorded in the notes other							
27a.	If YES to 25a, did the child/ teenager/young adult give assent?							
27b.	If YES to 27a, did the child/ teenager/young adult give consent?							
28.	Did you feel that any potential side effects were fully understood by:							
i)	The patient							
ii)	The parent(s)/ carer/ relatives							

29.	Was the intent of treatment rec	corded in the note	es?	Yes 🔲 No	Unknown		
30.	Please mark the box that best describes the SACT treatment intent:						
	Dotentially curative	Palliative	☐ Intent uncle	ear from notes	Unknown		
31.	What was your estimated chan	ce of cure in this	patient:				
i)	At the time the protocol was fin	st prescribed?					
	>50%] >20 - 50%	<u> </u>	<5% <5% <5% <5% <5% <5% <5% <5% <5% <5%	Unknown		
ii)	At the time the final cycle was	first prescribed?					
	>50%] >20 - 50%	<u> </u>	<5% <5% <5% <5% <5% <5% <5% <5% <5% <5%	Unknown		
32.	Did you feel that the chance of	cure were fully u	understood by:				
i)	The patient:	Yes	□ No □	N/A Unknov	wn		
ii)	The parent(s)/ carer/ relatives:	Yes	□ No □	N/A Unknow	wn		
33a.	In your opinion, was there any protocol was prescribed?	pressure on the p	prescribing clinician t	o prescribe SACT a	t the time this		
	Yes	☐ No		Jnknown			
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33D.	If YES to 33a, was this pressur	e from:	The second (7.5) (6.5)				
i)	The patient Yes	☐ No	ii) The parent(s) /c relatives	arer/ Yes	☐ No		
iii)	Both the patient and their parent(s)	☐ No	iv) Other (please s	tate): Yes	☐ No		
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34.	Was written information regard relatives:	ing the following	aspects of care give	n to the patient/ par	ent(s)/ carer/		
		<u>i) Patient</u>	I	ii) Parent(s)/ carer	/ relatives		
a.	The chance of success/ potential side effects	☐ Yes ☐	No 🔲 Unknown	☐ Yes ☐ No	Unknown		
b.	Advice given regarding what to do in the event of:						
i)	Fever	☐ Yes ☐	No Unknown	Yes No	Unknown		
ii)	Bleeding	☐ Yes ☐	No Unknown	Yes No	Unknown		
iii)	Vomiting	☐ Yes ☐	No Unknown	Yes No	Unknown		
iv)	Other symptoms/signs	Yes	No 🗌 Unknown	Yes No	Unknown		
35.	Did the patient/ carer/ relative(s	s) receive training	ı g regarding: *Please	see definitions on p.2			
a.	How to recognise febrile neutro	ppenia*/ neutropa	aenic sepsis?	☐ Yes	☐ No		
b.	What to do in the event of febr	rile neutropenia/	neutropaenic sepsis?	Yes	☐ No		
				 			

C.	If YES to 35a or b (patient/carer/relative received training in how to recognise and what to do in the
Г	event of febrile neutropenia/ neutropaenic sepsis) please provide details:
36.	Were there any difficulties in communication relating to:
a.	Language Yes No No No Understanding of medical Yes No terminology
c.	Acceptance of the situation Yes No d. Other issues of communication Yes No (please state):
e.	If YES to any of the above (36a-d) please provide details:
37a	. Were there any previous problems with compliance?
37b	. If YES to 37a, please provide details:
37c	. If YES to 37a, were these concerns regarding:
	☐ The patient ☐ The parent(s)/ carers/ relatives
	Other (please state):
38a	. Did any palliative care discussions/ ceilings of treatment discussions take place at any point in the care of this patient?
	☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Unknown
38b	. If NO to 38a, in your opinion should there have been?
	☐ Yes ☐ No
38c	. If YES to 38a, when did the discussion(s) take place?
38d	. If YES to 38a, what did this involve?
38e.	. If YES to 38a, did the palliative care/ceilings of treatment discussions involve:
i)	The child/ teenager/young adult Yes No N/A
ii)	The parent(s)/ carer/ relatives
38f.	If YES to 38c, in your opinion did they take place at the right time?
39.	Was there a named key worker for this patient?

F.	MOST RECI	ENT CYCLE OF SA	ACT (cy	cle immediately prior	to death/ICU admi	ssion)
40a.	Cycle number*: *	Please see definitions on p.2		of		Unknown
40b.	Date of decision to	treat:			dd/mm/yy	Unknown
40c.	Date (day 1 of pres	scription):			dd/mm/yy	Unknown
40d.	Date (day 1 of adn	ninistration):			dd/mm/yy	Unknown
41a.	AND	e score taken to describ o when the most recent				∕es
41b.	If YES to 41a, plea	ase state which one was	used and	d the performand	ce score record	led*:
	LANSKY (1-10	00)* KARNOF	FSKY(1-1	00)*	ther score *PI	ease see definitions on p.14
	Un	known	Unkno	wn		
41c.	If NO to 41a (no so	core was recorded) how	was the f	fitness for treatm	ent recorded?	
└ 42.	What method was	used to administer SAC	T (select	all that apply):		
	Intravenous	Subcutaneo	ous		ral	Unknown
	☐ Oral	Intrathecal			central line	
43a.	Did the patient have	e CV access?* *Please	see definition	ons on p.2	Yes	☐ No
43b.	If YES to 43a, which	ch type?				
43c.		e there any immediate c ne final cycle of SACT?	omplication	ons in the	Yes	☐ No
43d.	If YES to 43c, plea	ase provide details:				
<u> </u>	Please complete ti	he table below regarding	drug dos	sages prescribed	d/administered	for final cycle of SAC1
D	rugs			Dose (mg/m2 or AUC)	Caculated full dose (mg)	Dose given (mg)/ % full dose

45 .	Was this cycle		Administered as p							
	of SACT:		Delayed		(Length o	f delay):		days		Unknown
	(Please state rea	son								
	for delay:):	П	Administered at		State % o			%		Unknown
	/Dia (a reduced dose		reduction):				
	(Please state rea for reduced dose)									
46a.	Who prescribed t	his c	ycle of SACT?							
	Consultant		☐ Associat	e Specia	llist	Clin	ical Fellow	ļ	ST	1/2
	Staff Grade		ST3 and	above		☐ F1/I	F2	I	Unl	known
	Other (please s	state)	: Not docu	umented		☐ Spe	ecialist Nurse	e Practi	tioner	
46b.	Please specify sp	ecial	ty:	Specialty	codes on p.2	(
47a.	Who reviewed the	e pati	ient on the day of S	SACT tre	atment? (mark all t	hat apply)			
	Consultant		Associat	e Specia	llist	Clin	ical Fellow	I	☐ ST	1/2
	Staff Grade		ST3 and	above		☐ F1/I	F2	ļ	Unl	known
	Other (please s	state)	: Not docu	umented		☐ Spe	ecialist Nurse	e Practi	tioner	
₋ 47b.	Please specify sp	ecial	ty/ specialties of cl	linicians v	who revie	wed the p	patient on the	e day o	f SACT	·?
48.	Who administered	d the	most recent cycle							
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_ Г	Oncology nurse			_	ner nurse		,		The pa	atient
L	☐ Paediatric onco		/ haematology			ncology/ h	naematology			/ Carer
<u>_</u>	consultant	J. 297	, macmatorogy	⊔ _{trai}	nee			Ш	, arone	Curor
	Other (please s	speci	fy):	Pa	ediatric nu	ırse				
49a.	Where was the m	nost r	ecent cycle of SAC	CT admir	nistered? (please se	elect all that	apply):	*Please	see ons on p.2
	Local district ge	neral	hospital <500 bed	s (small)	☐ Loc	al district	general hos	spital >	500 bed	ds (large)
	Principal treatme	ent c	entre (PTC)*		☐ Pa	ediatric sp	pecialist hos	ptial		
	Paediatric oncol	ogy s	shared care unit (P	OSCU)*	☐ Tee	enage/you	ung adults de	esignat	ed hos _l	pital*
	Specialist cance	er uni	t		☐ Uni	versity te	aching hosp	ital		
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49b.	l9b. Please specify if the most recent cycle of SACT was administered at any of the following (please select one):						
	<u>Day cases</u>						
	Outpatient clinic Daycare unit Designated chemotherapy unit						
	Other location (please specify): Patient's home Unknown						
	<u>Inpatients</u>						
	Chemotherapy ward Oncology ward Haematology ward Unknown						
	Other (please specify):						
50.	At the time of the prescription of the most recent cycle of SACT, were checks made that the patient/ parent(s) were aware of:						
a.	How to recognise potential neutropaenic sepsis?						
i)	Please give further details:						
b.	What to do in the event of neutropaenic sepsis?						
i) 	Please give further details:						
51a.	At the time of prescription of the most recent cycle of SACT:						
i)	Was the patient's height recorded?						
ii)	Was the patient's weight recorded?						
51b.	. If YES to 51a(i), please state height: cm OR ft inches						
51c.	If YES to 51a(ii), please state weight: kgs OR st lb						
52a.	Is there a record of every dose of SACT the patient has received?						
52b.	. If YES to 52a, is this:						
	Hard copy case notes at the hospital Electronic records - accessible by secondary specialist care only						
	Electronic records - accessible by secondary/primary/community care						

(G. STRUCTURED COMMENTARY					
53.	3. Please outline any organisational aspects of SACT for children, teens and young adults in your hospital that in your opinion may have had a negative effect on patient outcome:					
54.	With the benefit of hindsight, is there anything you believe could have been done differently regarding the management of this patient? We have highlighted some areas that you might want to consider with respect to patient outcome:					
	☐ Decision to treat with SACT ☐ Consent to SACT treatment					
	Administration of SACT Patient information given regarding SACT, regarding sepsis etc					
	Prescribing of SACT, dose etc					
H	I. GENERAL COMMENTS					
55.	Please write clearly regarding any additional observations you wish to report					

Thank you for taking the time to complete this questionnaire



LANSKY/ KARNOFSKY PERFORMANCE SCALE

LANSKY SCALE (patient aged <16)			KARNOFSKY SCALE (patient aged >16)			
Able to carry out normal activity; no special care is needed			Able to carry out normal activity; no special care is needed			
100	Fully active		Normal no complaints, no evidence of disease			
90	Minor restriction in physically strenuous play	90	Able to carry on normal activity			
80	Restricted in strenuous play; tires more easily; otherwise active		Normal activity with effort			
Mild to moderate restriction			Unable to work, able to live at home cares for most personal needs, a varying amount of assistance is needed			
70	Both greater restrictions of, and less time spent in active play		Cares for self, unable to carry on normal activity or do active work			
60	Ambulatory up to 50% of time, limited active play with assistance/supervision	60	Requires occasional assistance but is able to care for most needs			
50	Considerable assistance required for any active play, fully able to engage in quit play	50	Requires considerable assistance and frequent medical care			
Moderate to severe restriction			Unable to care for self; requires equivalent of institutional or hospital care, disease may be progressing rapidly			
40	Able to initiate quiet activities	40	Disabled, requires special care and assistance			
30	Needs considerable assistance for quiet activity	30	Severely disabled, hospitalisation indicated, although death not imminent			
20	Limited to very passive activity initiated by others (e.g. TV)	20	Very sick, hospitalisation necessary			
10	Completely disabled, not even passive play	10	Moribund, fatal process progressing rapidly			

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