

Urology Questionnaire for Patients Referred with High PSA

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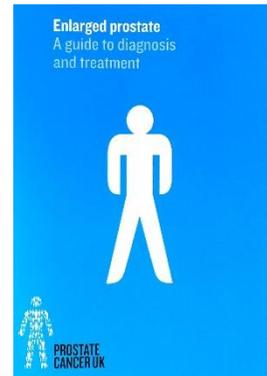
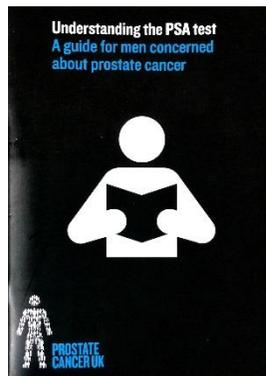
Introduction & Objectives:

In NHS, suspected prostate cancer patients are referred with 2-week wait target. A thorough clinical examination and diagnostic and treatment pathways are discussed with the patient. Use of these booklets helps patients in understanding their condition and asking for relevant questions at the time of consultation and subsequently during their care pathway.

Methods:

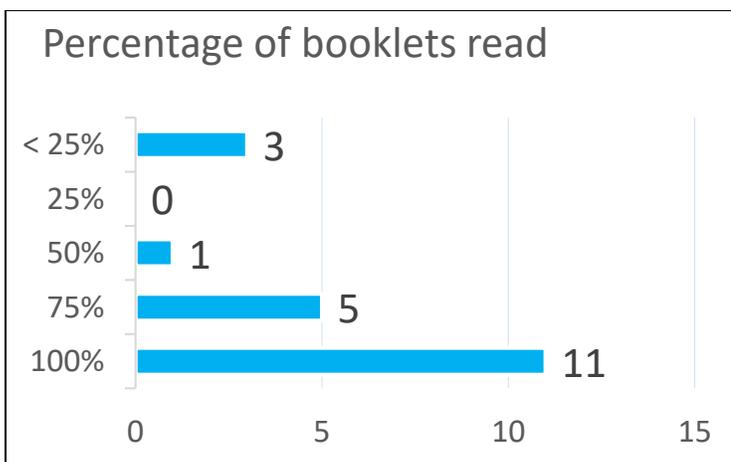
The utilisation of the information booklet distributed to patients for raised PSA and prostatic enlargement

- Every patient who is visiting the hospital with a raised PSA is given a booklet 'Understanding PSA' after a full consultation, clinical examination, and 'How prostate cancer is diagnosed' booklet is also distributed to explain the procedure with the pros and cons and different methods of prostate biopsy.
- Another booklet that is distributed is about 'Enlarged prostate' and it gives information about various drugs that are used for an enlarged prostate and surgical outcome and side-effects of prostate surgery.



Results:

- 20 people took the survey, 25 questionnaires distributed. 80% response rate.
- 100% of patients found it acceptable for this material being distributed at time of initial consultation for evaluating and understanding their clinical problem.



This graph shows how much of the booklets the patient has read. The vast majority of patients read 75% or more of the booklets.

Did you find this information useful?

- Yes. One thing positive about prostate cancer is the level of information available. Good, clear, concise information and with an honest approach towards advising the patient.
- Yes, I found the booklet very informative and helpful for me to understand my condition.
- Yes, it was helpful – however some of the information was a little disturbing + painted a rather “black” picture.

Conclusions:

Using the booklets gives patients helpful and meaningful information in streamlining their diagnosis and treatment.