



THE ICBP NEWSLETTER

Dear Tori,

The ICBP team is very pleased to introduce the lead researchers for the Health System Organisation and Cancer Patient Pathways topics: Yoryos Lyratzopoulos and Ellen Nolte. This means the teams for all phase 2 research are now in place and making progress with respective work streams.

With phase 1 of the research agenda drawing to an end, we have had another paper published. Eva Morris and Margreet Luchtenborg led on work to create and compare comorbidity measures for lung cancer patients internationally. You can read more about the work and the publication below.

Following feedback from our collaborators, we have expanded the ICBP webpages to make it easier to find our publications and resources. Take a look and let us know what you think.

Finally, we need you to confirm that you are happy to keep receiving ICBP newsletters, to ensure that we comply with new regulations coming into place next year.

With best wishes for the final months of 2017,

The ICBP team



CANCER PATIENT PATHWAYS & HEALTH SYSTEM ORGANISATION

Our research and findings to date have shown that, comparatively, differences in how health systems are organised can have a big impact. For example, many ICBP jurisdictions have set care pathways that patients diagnosed with cancer must go through yet these are not the same internationally.

These differences could be impacting on how early a cancer is diagnosed and how patients are managed after their diagnosis, affecting patient outcomes. These research topics are being led by Yoryos Lyratzopoulos and Ellen Nolte.

[Read more about their plans](#)



YORYOS LYRATZOPOULOS

Yoryos's main interest and expertise is in health services research as applied to cancer healthcare epidemiology and will be leading on the Cancer Patient Pathways research topic.

[Find out more about Yoryos](#)



ELLEN NOLTE

Ellen's main interest and expertise is in health systems research, international health care comparisons and performance assessment, and will be leading on the Health System Organisation research topic.

[Find out more about Ellen](#)

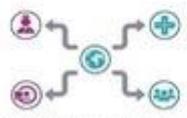


DO COMORBIDITY SCORES IN LUNG CANCER PATIENTS PREDICT SURVIVAL?

It is thought that patients who die shortly after a cancer diagnosis may be more likely to be living with comorbidities which could affect their chances of surviving. This work looked at the feasibility of generating comparable data on lung cancer patients living with one or more comorbidities.

The researchers found that whilst it is possible to generate comorbidity scores that predict survival in each jurisdiction, they are not comparable internationally because of differences in how the same conditions are coded. This is the first study to make international comparisons of commonly used measures of comorbidity derived from routine, population-based administrative health datasets.

[Read the publication in Thorax](#)

<p>About the partnership</p>  <p>An international multidisciplinary collaboration to help improve outcomes for patients.</p> <p>➤ More on the partnership</p>	<p>ICBP findings</p>  <p>Impacting policy and practice worldwide, providing evidence for decision-makers to create change.</p> <p>➤ More on ICBP findings and impacts</p>	<p>Current research</p>  <p>Identifying factors that contribute to international cancer survival differences.</p> <p>➤ More about ongoing research</p>
<p>Impact of ICBP</p>  <p>ICBP provides evidence for policy and practice changes worldwide.</p> <p>➤ Impact of ICBP</p>	<p>Resources</p>  <p>Free research tools, briefings, reports and slide packs which anyone can use.</p> <p>➤ More on ICBP resources</p>	<p>Publications</p>  <p>Summaries of published ICBP research articles, as well as links to the original papers.</p> <p>➤ More on ICBP publications</p>

UPDATES TO THE ICBP WEBPAGES

You may remember that in our last email there was a short survey about ICBP communications, including some questions about our website. Thanks to your feedback we have updated the ICBP website.

We have created pages specifically dedicated to our publications and to resources for you to use or to share with others. As always, we welcome your thoughts on how we can continue improving our communications - please email the team at icbp@cancer.org.uk.

[See the updated webpages](#)



YOUR DETAILS AND THE ICBP

In line with the new legislation coming into effect in May 2018 across the European Union (General Data Protection Regulation - GDPR) the ICBP team need to confirm that our newsletter subscribers are happy for us to store their personal details. At present we store first and last names, email addresses and details about your role or organisation (where shared) securely.

If you do not want us to store your information or to contact you, you must let us know. Please follow the link below to let us know whether you would like us to continue or stop contacting you

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PERCEIVED BARRIERS & TIME TO PRESENTION

Our collaborators used data from our 'Awareness and Beliefs about Cancer' research to explore if respondents who identified more barriers to going to their primary care doctor were also potentially more likely to delay going to a doctor when they had symptoms.

[Read the publication](#)

CANCER BELIEFS IN DENMARK

A team of researchers in Denmark used ICBP Module 2 data to explore the differences in cancer beliefs across cancer survivors, relatives of cancer patients, and those who had no experience of cancer.

[Read the publication](#)

