

Cancer

How much has the government (including through the NHS and all other routes) spent on cancer in each year from 2000; and what it's planned level of expenditure for 2005, the last year of the National Cancer Plan?

Of this total what percentage was spent on 1) diagnostic services, including screening 2) treatment and care including palliative care 3) prevention including public education?

What is your understanding of the term 'Primary Prevention' as it relates to cancer?

What estimates has the government made of the savings potentially achieved by a programme of primary prevention of cancer, relating to 1) smoking 2) obesity 3) food contamination 4) environmental pollutants?

What is the average level of expenditure for each patient diagnosed as suffering from cancer in the last year for which figures are available?

How much has the NHS spent on research into environmental and occupational exposures in relation to cancer in each of the last three years?

Will the NHS, working through its National Cancer Research Institute, has set up a strategic planning group to investigate research into exogenous causes of cancer?

How many research programmes the NHS is undertaking into the exogenous causes of cancer?

Does the government accept the figures in the report Cancer 2025: the future of cancer care , edited by Karel Sikora, published in June 2004,(page S75) <http://www.future-drugs.com/admin/articlefile/Cancer%202025.pdf> that, in 2003, a cancer patient consumed about £20,000 worth of direct medical care costs, of which 70 per cent were spent in the last six months of life?

Does the government accept the estimate in the report Cancer 2025: the future of cancer care , edited by Karel Sikora, published in June 2004, (page S75) <http://www.future-drugs.com/admin/articlefile/Cancer%202025.pdf> that, by 2025 a cancer patient will consume about £100,000 per year, of direct medical care costs?

Does the government accept the estimate in the report Cancer 2025: the future of cancer care , edited by Karel Sikora, published in June 2004 (page S21) <http://www.future-drugs.com/admin/articlefile/Cancer%202025.pdf>, that less than two per cent of the total cancer research budget is spent on prevention?