National Audit of Care at the End of Life 2021 Key findings at a glance

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Trust/Health
Board overviews
(T/HB)



239 Hospital/site overviews (H/S)



6,823 Case Note Reviews (CNR)



3,118 Quality Surveys (OS)



11,045 Staff Reported Measures (SRM)



(CNR - Cat 1)

87%

Case notes recorded that the patient might die within hours or days

(CNR- Cat 1)



95%

Case notes, with an individualised plan of care, recorded a discussion (or reason why not) with the patient regarding the plan of care



Case notes recorded a discussion (or reason why not) with families/carers regarding the possibility the patient may die

(CNR - Cat 1)



86%

Case notes recorded extent patient wished to be involved in care decisions, or a reason why not (CNR - Cat 1)



73%

Case notes recorded an individualised plan of care



57%

(QS)

Families/carers were asked about their needs

(QS)

68%

Care provided to families/carers

Care provided to the patient

Families/carers felt the quality of care provided was good, excellent or outstanding

(T/HB)



99%

Trusts/Health Boards have guidelines on how to respond to/learn from deaths of patients

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(H/S)

60%

Hospitals have face-to-face specialist palliative care service available 8 hours a day, 7 days a week



85%



77%

Staff feel supported by their specialist palliative care team



(SRM)

80%

Staff feel confident they can recognise when a patient might be dying imminently

Staff feel they work in a culture that prioritises care, compassion, respect and dignity