# Cancer Board Paper

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| **Title of paper:** | Greater Manchester Cancer Alliance 25/26 Delivery Plan |
| **Purpose of the paper:** | To request approval by the GM Cancer Board to progress with the delivery plan submitted to NHSE which responds to the priorities and programme deliverables set out in the 2025-6 planning guidance and details the breakdown of the Service Development Funding (SDF) allocation. |
| **Summary outline of main points / highlights / issues** | This 25/26 Planning Pack issued by the NHS Cancer Programme to Cancer Alliances provided detail on key objectives that needed to be achieved and requested that Cancer Alliances develop local cancer delivery plans to address the key requirements for cancer delivery for the year ahead. The priorities and programme deliverables set out in the 2025-6 planning guidance are:  **Faster Diagnosis and Operational Performance**  • Operational Performance  • Faster Diagnosis –overview and changes for 25/26 and Priority Pathways; Urology, Gynae, Head & Neck, Breast and Skin  **Early Diagnosis**  • Faecal Immunochemical Testing (FIT)  • Lung Cancer Screening Programme  • Hepatocellular Carcinoma (Liver) Surveillance  • Case Finding  Local Early Diagnosis  • Data/needs-led early diagnosis plans incorporating Timely Presentation, Cancer Screening, Primary Care Pathways and New Local Innovation  • EOI Local Incentive Scheme  **Treatment and care**  • Treatment Variation and SACT  • Living With and Beyond Cancer (LWBC)  **Cross-cutting**  • Experience of Care and People and Community Engagement  • Workforce  • Alliance organisational development  The associated documents which were submitted to NHSE in early April by the Greater Manchester Cancer Alliance provide the detail against each of the deliverables in response to the 25/26 Planning guidance and the Cancer Alliance Planning Pack. The plans were developed on the basis of extensive engagement with partners in GM. Feedback on full Alliance plans, via regions was expected late April but is still awaited at the time of writing, with funding agreements released for approved Alliance plans scheduled for May 2025.  NHSE have confirmed a Service Development Funding (SDF) allocation of £11.128m for the Greater Manchester Cancer Alliance to meet the deliverables outlines in the Planning pack and the delivery plan submission includes the financial plans to support the delivery as per the below.    As SDF funding is transacted via the ICB, a STAR Form has been submitted and will be reviewed at the ICB Senior Finance Meeting on Thursday 08 May 2025. The STAR Form will then be passed on to the STAR Panel meeting on Monday 12 May with the expectation of having the outcomes circulated by Wednesday 14 May 2025. |
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