Assumptions/Method

Providers present within this document:

SWAG	Peninsula	
Gloucestershire Hospitals NHS FT	Northern Devon Healthcare NHS Trust	
Royal United Hospital Bath NHS Trust	Plymouth Hospitals NHS Trust	
Salisbury NHS FT	Royal Cornwall Hospitals NHS Trust	
Taunton and Somerset NHS FT	Royal Devon and Exeter NHS FT	
North Bristol NHS Trust	Torbay and South Devon NHS FT	
University Hospitals Bristol NHS FT		
Yeovil District Hospital NHS FT		

Guidance that responses are being compared to:

Guidance
NOLCP
NLCA Recommendations (2017 and 2014)
Commissioning Guidance
QSIS Quality Indicators
NICE Guidelines
British Thoracic Society Guidelines

How comparison with guidance is measured: each question answered is mapped to a certain set of guidance it may be relevant to. When these are aggregated these are compared against the total amount of questions that were relevant to said guidance. Eg. If a provider has 65% recommendations met with NOLCP, this means that 65% of the **questions answered related to NOLCP** came back as meeting recommendations. It does **not** mean it meets 65% of all NOLCP overall.

*Questions that were unanswered or non-applicable are not measured against the % aggregate recommendations met

Data

With exception to "62 day performance", all data is derived solely from the NLCA organisational survey 2019/2017 results from each provider. The data is taken and compared at face value even if it is clear that the provider had a different context in mind compared to other providers when they answered.

Caseloads

As the 2017 Organisational Audit based its caseload data off the 2017 NLCA annual report (which itself was based on a 2016 cohort), the new cases for 2019 are based on the 2018 NLCA annual report caseloads (which itself is a 2017 cohort).

Respiratory Physician WTE

Respiratory Physician WTE is based on their PAs dedicated to lung cancer, divided by 10.

Testing & Treatment

*Any providers that did not have data were not counted when calculating SWAG/Peninsula averages

*It is assumed that RTT recommendations are 14 days based on NOLCP implementation guide.

*It is assumed that **time to test** recommendation is **14 days** based on the NOLCP implementation guide.

*It is assumed that **time to result** guidelines are **10 days** for molecular marker tests and **3 days** for other tests. *It is assumed that **tests** and split into the following categories (diagnostic tests, preoperative tests to assess patient health, and molecular tests):

Diagnostic Tests	Preoperative Tests	Molecular Tests
Bronchoscopy	Spirometry	EGFR mutation testing
EBUS	Gas transfer	ALK translocation testing
Local anaesthetic thoracoscopy	Echocardiography	ROS1 testing
Video assisted thoracoscopy	Cardiopulmonary exercise testing	PLD1 testing
CT-PET		
Radiological biopsy		

When data is unavailable on graphs, it will by default come out as being 0. To differentiate an actual value of 0 with 0s that are due to missing data, there is red text to indicate which it is. If it comes out as 0, that means it's actually 0.