

**National Cancer Intelligence Network
Scientific Advisory Group**

Terms of Reference

1. To advise the NCIN Steering Group and Coordinating Team on the appropriate methodologies to be used in and interpretation to be applied to information and research outputs produced by the NCIN;
2. To review identified priority analyses and outputs proposed by the NCIN Steering Group, Coordinating Team, Site Specific Reference Groups and their associated lead cancer registries or other NCIN partner organisations and advise on appropriate statistical and analytical methodologies to be used;
3. To advise the NCIN Steering Group and Coordinating Team on priorities for commissioned research into methodological developments in order to improve the reliability of information outputs especially in the area of comparative performance and outcomes measures;
4. To recommend to the NCIN Steering Group appropriate peer review processes for relevant information output or research proposals submitted to NCIN for funding;
5. To liaise with the UKACR Analysis Group and other groups concerned with producing relevant outputs (e.g. for NCASP Cancer Audits) to develop common approaches to analysis and presentation of results.