SSNAP Spotlight Report: Outcomes after Stroke

Introduction

SSNAP measures the quality and organisation of stroke care across England, Wales and Northern Ireland. The overall aim of SSNAP is to provide timely information to clinicians, commissioners, patients, and the public on how well stroke care is being delivered. Processes of care are measured against evidence-based quality standards referring to the interventions that any patient may be expected to receive.

The SSNAP State of the Nation Report 2025 focusses on the performance of stroke care nationally against 7 key performance metrics agreed by NHS England and the Welsh Government, and chosen to reflect performance across the stroke care pathway. To complement this report and these metrics, this spotlight report has been produced to highlight the growing data SSNAP collects on **outcomes after stroke**.

Employment status before and at 6 months after stroke (2023-2025)



Figure 1: Comparison of employment status of stroke patients before stroke and at 6 months after stroke, between April 2023-March 2024 and April 2024-March 2025. This only includes those patients that had a 6 month review (35% of applicable patients in 2024/25).

Modified Rankin Scale (mRS) score before, after and at 6 months after stroke (2023-2025)

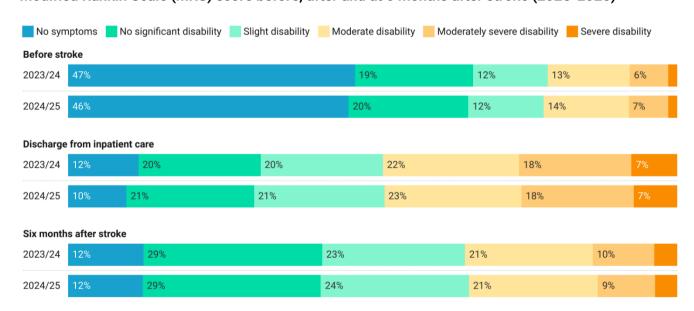


Figure 2: Comparison of mRS before stroke, at discharge from inpatient care (if discharged alive) and at six months after stroke between April 2023-March 2024 and April 2024-March 2025. Six month data only includes those patients that had a 6 month review (35% of applicable patients in 2024/25).

EQ5D-5L at 6 months after stroke (2023-2025)

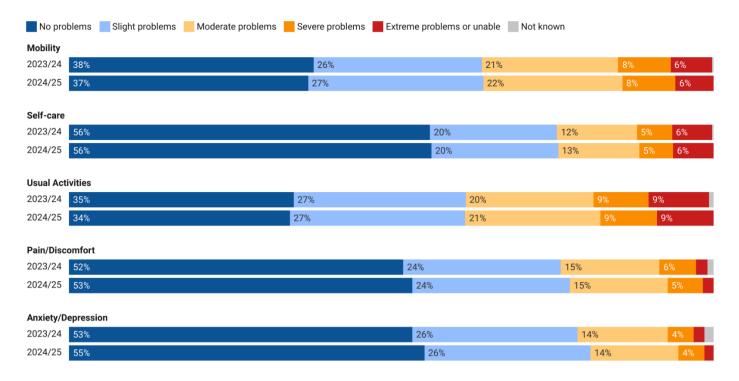


Figure 3: Comparison of EQ5D-5L at 6 months after stroke for those having a follow-up assessment between April 2023-March 2024 and April 2024-March 2025. EQ5D-5L is a patient reported outcome measure.

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