

ORACLEHEAD & NECK CANCER UK

THE UK'S HIDDEN HEALTH CRISIS

The Alarming Statistics

- **30% annual increase** expected by 2030
- Only **1/3 of cases** detected early
- Now among the **top 5 cancers in men**, top 10 overall
- **30% caused by Human Papillomavirus (HPV)**, preventable with vaccination
- **Less than 60% uptake of HPV vaccine**, leaving millions unprotected
- Only **50% of patients** start treatment within NHS target time; cancer at bottom of league table
- Only **1% of Cancer Research UK's cancer-specific funding** allocated to head and neck cancers last year
- **Lack of access to dentists and GPs** driving late-stage diagnosis
- **Growing inequalities:** 101% higher incidence in men from most deprived areas



HEAD AND NECK CANCER HAS BECOME A PRESSING HEALTH CONCERN IN THE UK, YET IT REMAINS LARGELY UNKNOWN.

We have a critical window of opportunity to change its trajectory, but we need your support.

The Hidden Crisis Unveiled

Despite being a top 10 cancer overall, head and neck cancer receives disproportionately less attention and funding:

Inadequate Prevention: Low HPV vaccine uptake leaves a significant portion of the next generation at risk. There are more cases of head and neck cancers than cervical cancers caused by HPV.

Delayed Diagnosis: Limited access to dental and primary care services hinders early detection which results in high rates of mortality and devastating quality of life for those affected.

Treatment Delays: Head and neck cancer patients face some of the longest waiting times in the NHS which means the cancers are advancing while patients are waiting.

Underfunded Research: Critical lack of funding hampers progress in treatment and care which prevents progress in improved treatment approaches and access to uniform best practice treatment across the country.

Social Inequalities: Stark disparity in incidence and survival rates highlights broader health inequalities

Oracle Head & Neck Cancer UK: Pioneering research for a cancer-free future

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Support Our Vision and Become Part of the Change

Your expertise and involvement are crucial in our fight against head and neck cancer.

Join Oracle Head & Neck Cancer UK in fostering a collaborative community dedicated to research, education, and patient care.



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