## Edge Hill University



## "What will I be like following head and neck cancer?"

17.Late mouth cancer treated by surgery and radiotherapy

Number of patients giving feedback is 182 out of a total of 334

Patient responses closest to two years following diagnosis as this reflects long term outcome

## Percentage of patients scoring on the best two responses for each domain

Activity - I am as active as I have ever been/There are times when I can't keep up my old pace, but not often

Appearance - There is no change in my appearance/The change in my appearance is minor

Anxiety - I am not anxious about my cancer/I am a little anxious about my cancer

Chewing - I can chew as well as ever/I can eat soft solids but cannot chew some food

Mood - My mood is excellent and unaffected by my cancer/My mood is generally good and only occasionally affected

Pain - I have no pain/There is mild pain not needing medication

Recreation - There are no limitations to recreation /There are a few things I can't do but I still get out and enjoy life

Saliva - My saliva is of normal consistency/I have less saliva than normal, but it is enough

Speech - My speech is the same as always/I have difficulty saying some words but I can be understood over the phone

Shoulder - I have no problem with my shoulder/My shoulder is stiff but it has not affected my activity or strength

Swallowing - I can swallow as well as ever/I cannot swallow certain solid foods

Taste - I can taste food normally/I can taste most foods normally

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Yellow show percentage with top 2 responses. Red show percentage with 'significant' problem.

Quality of Life
63% Good or better ——

Outstanding	4
Very Good	27
Good	32
Fair	23
Poor	10
Very poor	4

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## Most important issue

Prominence of word approximates how often it was considered one of the top three most important issues

More information and an interactive search at www.headandneckcancer.co.uk website