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Cancer at work

Why diffusing the cancer timebomb should be priority for HR



The impact of **D-19 on cancer**



1 in 4 of people have experienced delayed or cancelled cancer treatment in the UK.¹



It will take until 2033 to clear the backlog based on the pre-COVID provision of cancer care.²



of employees are worried about their chances of survival if they were to be diagnosed with cancer during the pandemic, due to the strain on the NHS.

Employees rank cancer as third in their top health concerns.



More and more employees are now caring for someone with cancer, but how supported do they feel?

are well supported

23% think their employer could do better

22% have no support available at work

39% don't know if there is support available

of enterprise companies have experienced an increase in critical illness referrals to HR, that they ascribe to COVID-related delays.

Rising pressure on employers



of concerned about the impact of the cancer backlog on increasing premiums and insurance costs.

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Yet 1 in 5 do not consider detecting critical illnesses earlier as a priority in their benefits package.

Disconnection between employers and employees



of employees prefer human care over digital solutions when facing a critical illness.

Sectors with the biggest mismatch and leading with digital solutions include:

- IT & telecoms
- Retail & leisure
- Professional services
- Manufacturing & utilities.

Employees want:



47% access to trusted information



Employers are offering:



33% ongoing support via case management



34% information about charities





37% practical assistance and concierge services

16% an app to manage

the cancer journey



24% a second opinion service

30% an app or other digital platforms



29% cancer screening



27% private medical insurance and critical illness



27% cancer policies



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Leaders in cancer support

Because taking care of someone with cancer is a moment that matters. Find out how we do it.

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Research based on 1,000 employees and 150 HR decision makers in the UK, from enterprise companies, conducted by Census Wide. Commissioned by Reframe, 2021. For the purpose of this research, enterprise companies represent more than 1,000 employee size.

¹ Ibid ² Patel, P. & Thomas, C. (2021) Building back cancer services in England. ©Reframe. 2021. All rights reserved.