

Making research outputs public and championing patient and public involvement

A new application for the University of Leeds and Leeds Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust was made to **request access to the Cancer Trusted Research Environment (TRE) service for England to undertake a programme of work on behalf of DATA-CAN**, the Health Data Research Hub for Cancer. The research aimed to enable analyses of linked, nationally collated healthcare datasets to **understand the impact of COVID-19 on cancer patients and treatment.**

IGARD recognised the value of this information for patients and the public and therefore believe that the public benefit should be shared widely with those who it will impact. **With this research being intrinsically tied to patient outcomes, IGARD requested more details on how patients and the public will be involved in the project.**

IGARD also **supported the study outputs of this research being shared openly**, and stated that, on renewal on the access to the data, they would expect to see these outputs clearly listed on the HDR UK website. In this way, patients and the public can be fully aware of how their data is being used for public benefit.

Read the full IGARD minutes where they discussed this access request [here](#)