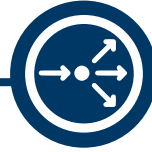




Optimising pathways: Tackling health inequalities in CLL



- In the West Midlands there is **significant variation** in cancer incidence, screening uptake, time to diagnosis, treatment, patient experience and outcomes¹
- People tend to associate leukaemia with children, but children don't get CLL and most cases occur in people aged **> 70 yrs**²



Our collaboration aims to identify and address the reasons for health inequalities in the diagnosis and treatment of chronic lymphocytic leukaemia (CLL) in the West Midlands

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Factors being considered to explain the differences in early and late presentation include:



Gender



Ethnicity



Economic deprivation



General CLL awareness



GP referral pathway awareness

¹ 1. West Midlands Cancer Alliance. Strategy for Delivering the Long Term Plan for Cancer. Last accessed: May 2024

² 2. Blood Cancer UK. Chronic lymphocytic leukaemia (CLL). Last accessed: May 2024

