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Abstracts

RETURN TO WORK AMONG SELF-EMPLOYED CANCER SURVIVORS: A EUROPEAN COMPARATIVE STUDY

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Introduction Studies on cancer survivors’ (CS) return to work (RTW) after cancer have mostly focused on salaried workers. RTW among self-employed CS has almost not been focused although there are big differences in these two groups’ working conditions and social welfare provisions. The aim of this study is therefore to bring together data from multiple European countries to:

- describe RTW-related outcomes after cancer in self-employed people;
- compare these outcomes for the self-employed with those for salaried workers; and
- describe RTW-related outcomes after cancer for self-employed people across countries.

Methods Eleven cross-sectional studies from seven countries were included. All studies had survey data on work-outcomes in self-employed and salaried CS who were employed at time of diagnosis (n=22–261 self-employed/101–1627 salaried). The studies included different cancers and assessed different outcomes at different times post-diagnosis.

Results Fewer self-employed CS took time off work due to cancer compared to salaried survivors. More self-employed than salaried worked post-diagnosis in almost all countries. Among those working at the time of survey, self-employed survivors had made a larger reduction in working hours compared to pre-diagnosis, but they still worked more hours per...