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Paper Title	The psychological impact of being on a monitoring pathway for localised prostate cancer: a UK-wide mixed methods study
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Conclusion	This study looked at the psychological impact of being on a monitoring pattern following a diagnosis of Prostate Cancer. The results are from a large sample of 16,726 men who returned questionnaires in the LAPCD study Most men on AS/WW cope well psychologically. Men making treatment decisions should be given this information
What this means for the service	Psychological health should be assessed to determine suitability for AS/WW, and at monitoring appointments. A clear action plan and support from healthcare professionals is important.