Newsletter



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Out of Hospital Cardiac Arrest Outcomes

Successful Beta Testing

Both North West and West Midlands Ambulance Service NHS Trusts have undertaken successful upload of complete raw data OHCA samples to the secure web site, showing the mapping process has worked as planned. The upload of one month's data will be completed within seconds thanks to the project's Programming team undertaking system improvements. Now the programming team will build in validation rules, entry logs and instant reporting so that the database can go live for all participating ambulance services within the next few months.

Ambulance Service Login Requests

As the secure web site continues to take shape, the next stage is for users to register their details and have a login created to the secure server. Only registered users per ambulance service will have access to upload data, view reports and ask for a bespoke report to be created. Only requests from NHS ambulance service emails will be accepted, and you will need to provide your name, job title, service you work for, and the IP address of the computer you will be using to access the server. This will ensure the security of your upload and your access to your data and reports. If you have not



done so already, please commence to submit your details via the web site www.warwick.ac.uk/OHCAO and click on the 'Login Request' tab. Thank you.

Project progress

Here is how each service is progressing within the project. We are hopeful the first two sites will be out of Beta testing by early September.

Action Plan														
Ambulance Service	Agree to be the PI?	IG toolkit status	Feasibility returned	Data Chart received	Site visit	Copy of PRF	Data Flow diagram	Sample data received	PI's CV returned	Site agreement signed	Login Requested	PRIMARY DATA UPLOAD	Mapping done	Site live
East of England	✓	Yes	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	~				
East Midlands	✓	Yes	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓							
Isle of Wight	✓	Not listed	✓			✓				✓				
London	✓	Yes	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓			~				
North East	✓	Yes	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		~				
North West	✓	Yes	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		~	✓	✓		
South East Coast	✓	NO	✓	✓	✓	✓								
South Central	✓	Yes	✓	✓	✓	✓			✓	~				
South West	✓	Yes	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		~				
West Midlands	✓	Yes	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		~	✓	✓		
Yorkshire	✓	Yes	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	~				
Wales	✓	No reports	✓	✓	✓	✓								

The mapping process has commenced. Services whom hold a fully executed site agreement for the project are able to supply raw sample data to the OHCAO project for mapping processes for individual services to be undertaken. **We would appreciate your action to supply raw sample data at the earliest opportunity.**

Reporting Ideas We have been looking at similar projects to see how we can best demonstrate the learning from the data we receive, we are very keen to see examples of what reporting styles you have used before, and which can offer you the most useful information to assist in your Trust making strategic improvement decisions. If you are able to provide some examples then please submit these to OHCAO@warwick.ac.uk.

Reformatted Protocol Research Ethics Committee (REC) Approval

In the past months, the OHCAO protocol has undergone a reformat. The format changes are to improve readability and add clarity to the research questions compared to the previous version. The purpose for such a change was to support NIHR portfolio adoption and to do this we had to ensure IRAS completion other than the 'research database' filter for the project in its initial application. On 17th July we provided notification to all participating ambulance services that the project had been accepted on to the NIHR Portfolio, and that although it is classified as a non-accruing study, it is now eligible to receive NHS service support costs to assist with the research element of the project. Further we are able to report that the new protocol version 2.0 has been approved by South Central Oxford C Ethics Committee during their review meeting on 26th July, REC reference 13/SC/0361. There have been no fundamental changes to the project design or data flow processes from the initial approvals granted by ethics and CAG (formerly known as National Information Governance Board (NIGB)). CAG will now be informed of the new protocol and REC approval. A copy of the reformatted protocol, a summary of protocol changes document, and REC approval will be provided to all participating sites.

The current approvals (Ethics and CAG) will remain in place during this transition period. Susie Keohane, OHCAO Trial Coordinator is in communication with the participating Ambulance Service NHS Trust R&D contacts to facilitate the R&D approvals required for the new protocol.

WWW pages <u>www.warwick.ac.uk/ohcao</u>

We have now launched our public web site. Do visit our website where you will find an overview of the project, the latest developments, and a link to request your personal login permission for uploading monthly data, requesting reporting ideas or viewing the national reports once available. We will add the latest news so you can hear about any developments in-between quarterly newsletters being published, and have downloadable resources available for training new data entry staff.



Steering Committee Update

The last Steering Committee (SC) meeting was held in June. The key objective for the meeting was to review the proposed core variable dataset and agreement by the SC members present as to which variables will form the database as core or supplemental variables. The Committee have also appointed Member Dr Jasmeet Soar as Vice Chair of the Steering Committee. New appointments to the Committee include both Dr Jonathan Benger, Clinical Director Urgent Care, and Dr James Mapstone of Public Health England. The next Steering Committee is to be held early 2014.

Don't forget, when contacting a member of the OHCAO project team at Warwick Clinical
Trials Unit please use the email OHCAO@warwick.ac.uk

<u>Thank you for your on-going support, especially to our 'Beta' testing</u>
<u>sites</u>