



# Newsletter

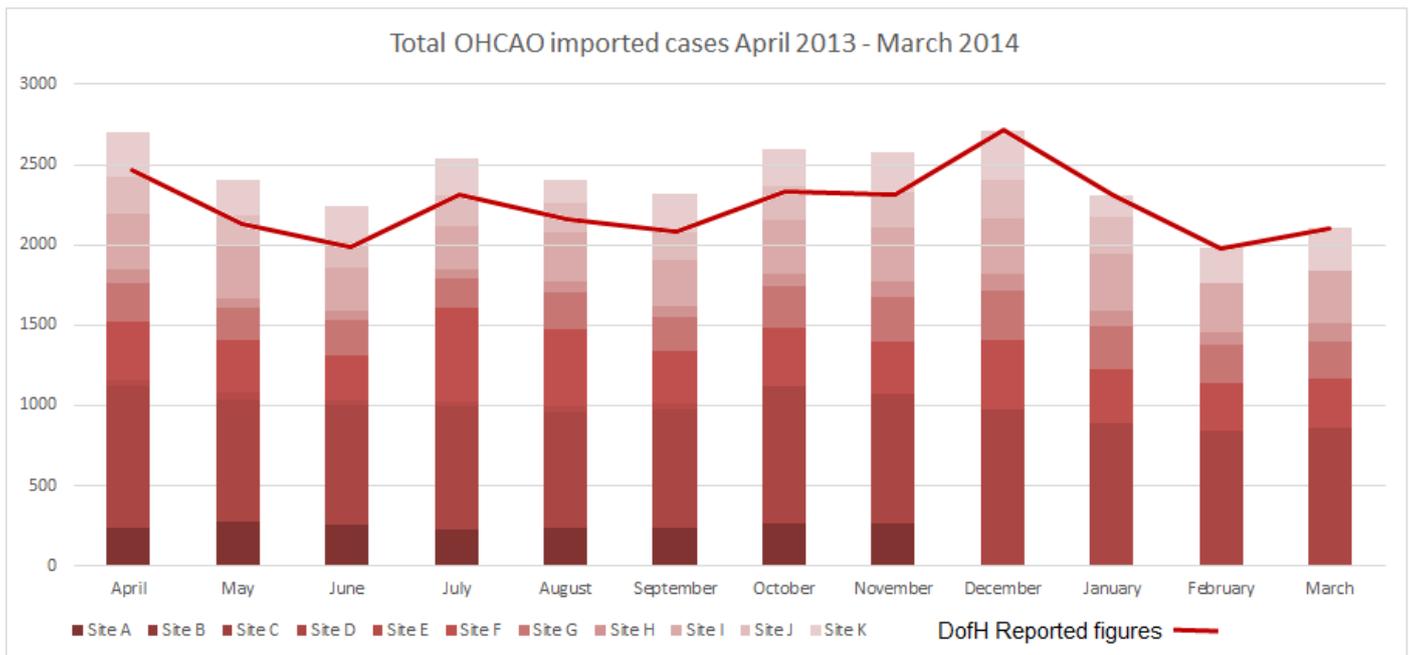


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## Out of Hospital Cardiac Arrest Outcomes

### 32,737 cases of historical data imported

We are pleased to report that the OHCAO database is close to containing a full data set for the period of April 2013- March 2014, and consequently we are starting to demonstrate for the first time, the benchmark for which we can commence making improvements in data quality.



Each Ambulance Service is in the process of being visited to discuss their individual Data Quality reports, and the OHCAO project will support the Ambulance Services to assist with improvements in data capture, quality and quantity. This will improve the quality of the 2014-15 data, from which we can then commence analysis in relation to the OHCAO research project.

### OHCAO Project Workshop – 21 January 2015

The OHCAO team have sent out an email with registration request to all those participating Ambulance Services who responded to the recent doodle poll. **If you have not done so already, please complete your registration form and return to [OHCAO@warwick.ac.uk](mailto:OHCAO@warwick.ac.uk) or fax 024 765 151136**



to confirm attendance. The workshop will take place on 21 January 2015 at Arden House, on University of Warwick Campus, Coventry CV4 8UW. We are inviting two representatives from each ambulance service Clinical Audit department to attend the workshop. The key objective of the workshop will be to reach agreement on the OHCAO definitions. The OHCAO definitions are a major piece of work within the overall project milestones, and a potential cause of variation in reporting techniques. By having an expert group of end users, we hope to be able to understand some of the issues and obstacles, further define the project definitions, and present the new Utstein 2014 paper due for publication. The definitions output from the workshop will be presented to the OHCAO Trial Steering Committee who will endorse the final list of recommended definitions that will be used for the project. If you have definitions used within your service, we would appreciate a copy to add to the selection of sources we will use throughout the workshop. Please email [ohcao@warwick.ac.uk](mailto:ohcao@warwick.ac.uk) for more information.

## EuReCa One Data, How will you present yours?

Now the recruitment phase of the EuReCa One project has closed, we now focus on the process by which each service will submit their data into the OHCAO project office **on or before the 16<sup>th</sup> January 2015**. As a reminder, there are three options available, and we would appreciate knowing which system your service prefers.



### **Option 1 –**

#### **Data collection tool**

Only variables for EuReCa One will be available as drop down menus, no free text is required. You may use this to collate your October 2014 data. Once completed send the file to [Andrew.whittington@nhs.net](mailto:Andrew.whittington@nhs.net) **on or before the 16<sup>th</sup> January 2015**.

### **Option 2 – Import**

#### **via OHCAO web portal**

Send us your completed October 2014 file via the normal OHCAO secure web portal **on or before the 16<sup>th</sup> January 2015**. The OHCAO project team will extract the variables you currently supply from your imported data to be forwarded to the EuReCa one team.

### **Option 3 –**

#### **Import via NHS email**

Send us your up-to-date Excel file that relates to October 2014 in its current state of completeness **on or before the 16<sup>th</sup> January 2015** to [Andrew.whittington@nhs.net](mailto:Andrew.whittington@nhs.net). The OHCAO project staff will transfer the data into the collection tool on your behalf ready for submission.

## **OHCAO Christmas office hours**

During the festive period, the OHCAO office will be closed from 24th December 2014 until the 5<sup>th</sup> January 2015. At this time of office closure, there should be no effect on the data import and upload processes from any of the participating ambulance services if there is the opportunity for you to undertake an upload.

We would like to wish all the ambulance services supporting the OHCAO project, a very festive season's greetings and best wishes for a most successful 2015. Look forward to seeing you at the workshop on 21<sup>st</sup> January 2015.

**Best wishes**

**OHCAO Project Team**



**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](mailto:OHCAO@warwick.ac.uk)**

***Thank you so much for your extra efforts with the EuReCa One project***