

The ERIC-PPCI Newsletter

Welcome and News

Welcome to the February 2017 ERIC-PPCI newsletter. This newsletter will cover the nurses' meeting we held in December and updates on data management, the LSHTM CTU short course on clinical trials, query handling for ERIC-PPCI and recruitment. The trial had a truly fantastic year in 2016 and with your help 2017 will be just as successful.

In December we recruited 77 patients to the trial. Due to the holidays recruitment in December is always slower but we still exceeded our recruitment projection for the month. The top recruiters were Rosalynn, Anne, Charlotte and the Portsmouth team who recruited 12 patients, Charlotte, Michelle and the Leeds team who recruited 8 patients, and Vicky and the Lister team and Alan and the Birmingham team who each recruited 6 patients.

January saw a slow start to recruitment but picked up in the second half of the month. Total recruitment for January was 112 patients. The top recruiters were Portsmouth who recruited 17 patients, Leeds and Lister who each recruited 10 patients, and Adina, Ellie and the Oxford team and Nicki, Nicki and the Bournemouth team who each recruited 8 patients.

1400th Patient Recruited!

In January we passed the milestone of 1400 patients which is 70% of our target. Congratulations to all for the hard work you have put in to ERIC-PPCI and in particular congratulations to Kathryn Somers and the team at Leeds General Infirmary who recruited the 1400th patient! We ended the month with 1406 patients.

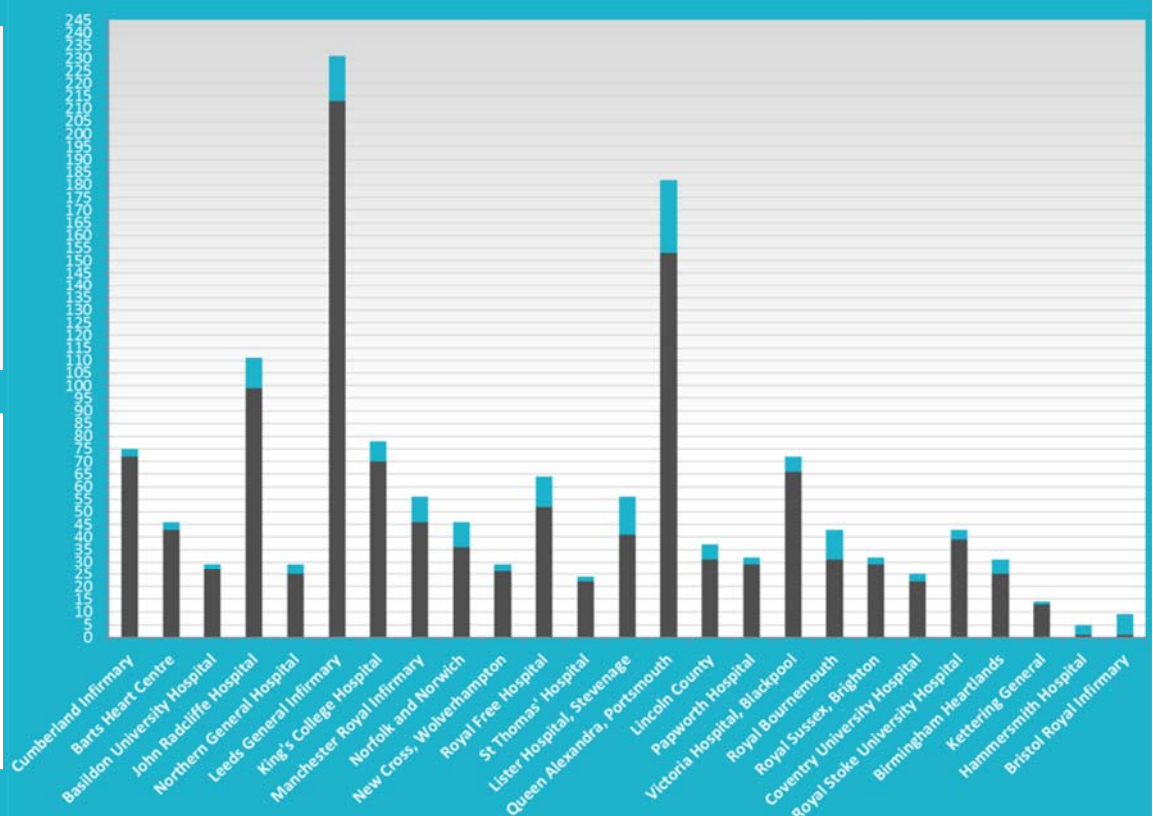
Recruitment Progress Summary

Key:

- Recruitment in December and January
- Previous recruitment

LUCKY DRAW!

We will be sending a prize to the lucky site which recruits the 1500th patient this month. Good luck!



Nurses' Meeting

On the 12 December 2016 we hosted a nurses' meeting in London to share expertise and experience as well as provide updates on the progress of the trial. The meeting was a great success with 36 site representatives attending. 21 of the 25 recruiting sites were represented at the meeting. Particular thanks to all the speakers; Garth Lane for his talk on ERIC-PPCI from the patient's perspective, Michelle Anderson and Charlotte Harland from Leeds and Anne Suttlng and Charlotte Turner from Portsmouth for sharing their experiences with the trial, Tim Clayton for the summary of the REPAIR trial and the encouraging long-term results and Jeremy Pearson from the BHF. Many thanks to Derek Yellon for chairing the meeting and to Rebecca Chu for organising it. Several interesting discussions were generated by the presentations at the meeting. We wanted to share these with you here as they are of value to the whole ERIC-PPCI community.

Recruitment tips: Leeds have a designated iPad in the cath lab which allows them to easily randomise patients without having to find a computer. Portsmouth have been able to work with radiographers to boost out of hours recruitment. Leeds have found that raising awareness of ERIC-PPCI through presentations to junior doctors and at monthly research meetings has been beneficial to recruitment.

GCP training: Getting GCP training for staff is a challenge and prevents sites from including cath lab staff in recruitment. Portsmouth have had success involving senior members of staff to ensure time is available for junior members to complete GCP training. Other sites agreed that this has to come from the top down.



Attendees listen to a talk during the meeting.

Patient consent: Sites have had issues with patients being discharged before they can be consented especially at the weekend. This can be addressed through catching patients at follow-up appointments and informing weekend staff of the trial to see if they can help with consent. Alternatively the direct care team can contact the patient and ask them to get in touch with the research nurse.

Information from GPs: Some attendees reported difficulty obtaining information from GPs, including death certificates which can have an associated cost. The CTU can cover these costs as needed.



Garth Lane speaks about his experiences as a patient in the trial

Data Management Update

There is currently very little data overdue (considering the rate of recruitment) and the 6-8 week follow-up completion rate is 93%. Thank you for all of your hard work in helping to achieve this.

A potential area for improvement is the amount of missing data within saved forms. One method that might make your lives easier and cut down on queries would be to save a draft version of the form if you are waiting to receive a small section of the data. Once the missing information is received, the draft version of the form can be loaded and the new data added. If you are unsure how to save a draft, please contact Matt Dodd (Data Manager; matthew.dodd@lshtm.ac.uk) who will be happy to help.

As a reminder the unblinded staff should enter the eligibility criteria and trial treatment forms in the database as soon as possible following randomisation. Thanks to everybody that has been remembering to do this.

If you have any further questions regarding data entry or management for ERIC-PPCI, please do not hesitate to contact Matt Dodd (matthew.dodd@lshtm.ac.uk), Addi Perkins (alexander.perkins@lshtm.ac.uk), or send an email to the ERIC-PPCI inbox (ericppci@lshtm.ac.uk),

The London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine's Short Course on Clinical Trials — 19th June to 23rd June 2017

The Medical Statistics Department (MSD) at the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine (LSHTM) will be running a short course in clinical trials.

This course provides attendees with a clear understanding of the fundamental principles of Randomised Clinical Trials (RCTs). Lectures and practical sessions cover the key issues to be considered in design, conduct, analysis and reporting, with a focus on major clinical trials which directly influence clinical practice. Topics are addressed with perspectives from both public sector research and the pharmaceutical industry.

The course is relevant to those who are keen to gain an understanding of the rigorous evaluation of interventions in health care, including clinical research professionals, research managers and other scientists with an interest in clinical trials.

The course runs for 5 days from the 19th to 23rd June 2017. Places on the course are limited.

The course is awaiting approval by the UK Royal College of Physicians for Continuing Professional Development (CPD) credits.

For further information and to request an application form please visit:

<http://www.lshtm.ac.uk/study/cpd/sct.html>

ERIC-PPCI Queries

As ERIC-PPCI has grown both in terms of sites and patients, the number of data queries received by the CTU has grown accordingly. In order to help us deal with these as quickly and efficiently as possible please ensure that all data queries are **addressed to the ERIC-PPCI mailbox (ericppci@lshtm.ac.uk)**. Examples of such queries are:

- Changes to data already entered into the database
- Account set-up or resets
- General queries regarding the eCRF

This change will allow all of our staff to respond if they are able and will hopefully speed up our response time. Please do not hesitate to contact the Trial Manager, Addi Perkins should you have any questions.

CONDI2 Update



Our partner trial based in Denmark, CONDI2, continues to recruit well. As of mid-January the trial had enrolled over 1800 patients. Well done CONDI2!

New Trial Manager for ERIC-PPCI

ERIC-PPCI has a new trial manager: Alexander (Addi) Perkins. Addi is taking over from Richard Evans who will continue to provide senior oversight. Addi joins the LSHTM Clinical Trials Unit from the Centre for Hip Health and Mobility in Vancouver, Canada where he was also involved in clinical trial management. He is excited to be working with such a talented team on this trial.

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