# Cues and Care: A trial of an intervention to promote mothers' ability to communicate with their very low birthweight infants

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29/05/2008	No longer recruiting	[X] Protocol
Registration date	Overall study status	Statistical analysis plan
29/05/2008	Completed	☐ Results
Last Edited	Condition category	Individual participant data
06/11/2019	Mental and Behavioural Disorders	<ul><li>Record updated in last year</li></ul>

# Plain English summary of protocol

Not provided at time of registration

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# Type(s)

Scientific

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# Additional identifiers

**EudraCT/CTIS** number

**IRAS** number

ClinicalTrials.gov number

Secondary identifying numbers

# Study information

## Scientific Title

A trial of a skills-based intervention to reduce maternal anxiety and improve developmental outcomes in very low birthweight infants

## **Acronym**

Cues and Care Trial

## **Study objectives**

Primary hypothesis:

The experimental group mothers will report lower levels of anxiety post-intervention compared to control group mothers.

## Secondary hypotheses:

Compared to control group mothers, experimental group mothers will, in the immediate post-intervention period:

- 1. Have lower stress related to their infant's appearance and behaviour
- 2. Have lower stress related to their parental role restriction
- 3. Be more sensitive and responsive in interactions with their infant

## At the 6-month follow-up:

- 4. Report less anxiety
- 5. Have lower perinatal post-traumatic stress
- 6. Exhibit greater sensitivity and responsivity in interactions with their infant

# Ethics approval required

Old ethics approval format

# Ethics approval(s)

Ethics approval received from the Research Ethics Committee of Sir Mortimer B. Davis Jewish General Hospital-Mtl (Hôpital Général Juif Sir Mortimer B. Davis) on the 31st March 2006 (ref: CRO6-19).

# Study design

Multicentre, two arm, randomised parallel trial with outcome assessor blinding.

# Primary study design

Interventional

# Secondary study design

Randomised controlled trial

# Study setting(s)

Hospital

# Study type(s)

Treatment

## Participant information sheet

Not available in web format, please use the contact details below to request a patient information sheet

# Health condition(s) or problem(s) studied

Anxiety in mothers of very low birthweight infants

## **Interventions**

Experimental group:

Anxiety reduction techniques and sensitivity training, six sessions with an intervener, each lasting 60 - 90 minutes, for a total dose of 9 - 10 hours. The experimental intervention will be delivered over a six to eight week period.

## Attention control group:

Provision of general information on infant care, six sessions with an intervener, each lasting 60 - 90 minutes, for a total dose of 9 - 10 hours. The control intervention will be delivered over a six to eight week period.

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## Intervention Type

Other

### Phase

**Not Specified** 

## Primary outcome measure

Maternal state anxiety, immediately post-intervention at infant corrected age of 1 - 1.5 months.

## Secondary outcome measures

- 1. Stress related to infant's appearance and behaviour in the Neonatal Intensive Care Unit (NICU), immediately post-intervention at infant corrected age of 1 1.5 months
- 2. Stress related to maternal role restriction, immediately post-intervention at infant corrected age of 1 1.5 months
- 3. Sensitivity of maternal behaviour, immediately post-intervention at infant corrected ages of 1
- 1.5 months and 6 months
- 4. Perinatal post-traumatic stress, immediately post-intervention at infant corrected ages of 1 -
- 1.5 months and 6 months
- 5. Postpartum depression, infant corrected age of 1 1.5 months and at 6 months corrected age
- 6. Infant cognitive and motor development, when the infant is of 6 months corrected age

## Overall study start date

01/05/2006

## Completion date

30/09/2009

# **Eligibility**

## Key inclusion criteria

- 1. Infant birthweight less than 1500g
- 2. Mother can speak and read either English or French
- 3. Mother able to sign informed consent form
- 4. Family resides withing a 90 minute drive of participating hospitals

## Participant type(s)

Patient

## Age group

Adult

### Sex

Female

# Target number of participants

92

## Key exclusion criteria

- 1. Mother will not be caring for the infant after discharge (e.g. due to foster placement or adoption)
- 2. Infant is in a highly unstable medical condition that is likely to result in death, has a major congenital anomaly, or is known to have a major sensory handicap (e.g. blindness)
- 3. Infant is likely to be transferred or discharged in less than four weeks
- 4. Multiple birth (twins, triplets)

### Date of first enrolment

01/05/2006

## Date of final enrolment

30/09/2009

# Locations

## Countries of recruitment

Canada

# Study participating centre Departement de Psychiatrie

Montreal, Quebec Canada H3T 1F4

# Sponsor information

## Organisation

Sir Mortimer B. Davis Jewish General Hospital (Hôpital Général Juif Sir Mortimer B. Davis) (Canada)

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## Sponsor type

Hospital/treatment centre

### Website

http://www.jgh.ca

## **ROR**

https://ror.org/056jjra10

# Funder(s)

# Funder type

Research organisation

## **Funder Name**

Canadian Institutes of Health Research (CIHR) (Canada) - http://www.cihr-irsc.gc.ca (ref: MCT-79216)

# **Results and Publications**

# Publication and dissemination plan

Not provided at time of registration

Intention to publish date

Individual participant data (IPD) sharing plan

# IPD sharing plan summary

Not provided at time of registration

# **Study outputs**

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