The influence of patient information on primary care management and referral patterns: The use of low back pain as a model

Submission date	Recruitment status	Prospectively registered
23/01/2004	No longer recruiting	☐ Protocol
Registration date	Overall study status	Statistical analysis plan
23/01/2004	Completed	Results
Last Edited	Condition category	Individual participant data
12/12/2013	Musculoskeletal Diseases	Record updated in last year

Plain English summary of protocol

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Study information

Scientific Title

Study objectives

This study will develop a model of patient information for patients with low back pain, and its impact on the management of low back pain, including self-management:

- 1. To investigate the effect of giving targeted information to patients on the management of low back pain in primary care, including referral patterns and to describe what information patients currently have, including its source, appropriateness and use
- 2. To determine what patients perceive they need in terms of information, and how that fits into their existing information framework
- 3. To establish what information clinicians provide, the reasons for their choice and clinicians perceptions of patients information needs
- 4. To evaluate the impact of patient information on referral patterns (including self referral) and on patient perceptions of their back pain

Ethics approval required

Old ethics approval format

Ethics approval(s)

Not provided at time of registration

Study design

Interviews, randomised controlled trial

Primary study design

Interventional

Study type(s)

Treatment

Health condition(s) or problem(s) studied

Musculoskeletal diseases: Spinal conditions

Interventions

Patients are given targeted information on the management of low back pain

Intervention Type

Other

Phase

Not Specified

Primary outcome(s)

Aberdeen back pain questionnaire

Key secondary outcome(s))

Not provided at time of registration

Completion date

01/07/2001

Eligibility

Key inclusion criteria

- 1. Focus groups practice record of low back pain consultation in the preceding 12 months selected from General Practitioner (GP) records; a random selection invited to participate
- 2. Clinician interviews six GPs from each of three areas
- 3. Intervention study patients consulting one of the 96 participating GPs for back pain during a specified 12-week period. Eligibility for the study decided by GP using uniform recognised criteria
- 4. Age range 25 64 years

Participant type(s)

Patient

Healthy volunteers allowed

No

Age group

Adult

Sex

All

Key exclusion criteria

Not provided at time of registration

Date of first enrolment

01/01/1999

Date of final enrolment

01/07/2001

Locations

Countries of recruitment

United Kingdom

England

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Sponsor information

Organisation

Record Provided by the NHS R&D 'Time-Limited' National Programme Register - Department of Health (UK)

Funder(s)

Funder type

Government

Funder Name

NHS Primary and Secondary Care Interface National Research and Development Programme (UK)

Results and Publications

Individual participant data (IPD) sharing plan

IPD sharing plan summary

Not provided at time of registration