Overnight Calls in Primary Care - Randomized Controlled Trial of Management Using Nurse Telephone Consultation

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Plain English summary of protocol

Not provided at time of registration

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Type(s)

Scientific

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Study information

Scientific Title

Study objectives

Not provided at time of registration

Ethics approval required

Old ethics approval format

Ethics approval(s)

Not provided at time of registration

Study design

Randomised controlled trial

Primary study design

Interventional

Study type(s)

Not Specified

Health condition(s) or problem(s) studied

Not applicable

Interventions

A nurse telephone consultation service integrated within a general practice cooperative. The out of hours period was 6.15pm to 11.15pm from Monday to Friday, 11.00am to 11.15pm on Saturday, and 8.00am to 11.15pm on Sunday. Experienced and specially trained nurses received, assessed, and managed calls from patients or their carers. Management options included telephone advice; referral to the general practitioner on duty (for telephone advice, an appointment at a primary care centre, or a home visit); referral to the emergency service or advice to attend accident and emergency. Calls were managed with the help of decision support software.

Intervention Type

Other

Phase

Not Specified

Primary outcome(s)

Not provided at time of registration

Key secondary outcome(s))

Not provided at time of registration

Completion date

31/12/1998

Eligibility

Key inclusion criteria

All patients contacting the out of hours service or about whom contact was made during specified times over the trial year

Participant type(s)

Patient

Healthy volunteers allowed

No

Age group

Not Specified

Sex

Not Specified

Key exclusion criteria

Not provided at time of registration

Date of first enrolment

01/01/1998

Date of final enrolment

31/12/1998

Locations

Countries of recruitment

United Kingdom

England

Study participating centre Health Care Research Unit

Southampton United Kingdom SO16 5NH

Sponsor information

Organisation

NHS R&D Regional Programme Register - Department of Health (UK)

Funder(s)

Funder type

Government

Funder Name

NHS Executive South West (UK)

Results and Publications

Individual participant data (IPD) sharing plan

IPD sharing plan summary

Not provided at time of registration

Study outputs

Output type	Details	Date created	Date added	Peer reviewed?	Patient-facing?
Results article	results	27/11/1999		Yes	No