# Open Access Tubal aSsessment for the initial management of infertility in Primary Care

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11/05/2009	Pregnancy and Childbirth

[X] Prospectively registered

[] Protocol

[] Statistical analysis plan

[X] Results

[] Individual participant data

## Plain English summary of protocol

Not provided at time of registration

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# Additional identifiers

EudraCT/CTIS number

**IRAS number** 

ClinicalTrials.gov number

Secondary identifying numbers N0607138852

# Study information

## Scientific Title

## Acronym

OATS

## Study objectives

1. Does open access HSG allow quicker access to diagnosis, prognosis management plan for the fertile couple?

2. Qualitative interviews: Patient and professional: what are the views and perceptions of both traditional and open access HSG infertility management?

## Ethics approval required

Old ethics approval format

## Ethics approval(s)

Newcastle and North Tyneside NHS Local Research Ethics Committee approved on the 3rd March 2004 (ref: 2003/201)

**Study design** Cluster randomised controlled trial

**Primary study design** Interventional

**Secondary study design** Randomised controlled trial

**Study setting(s)** GP practice

**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

Pregnancy and Childbirth: Fertility

#### Interventions

Cluster randomised controlled trial (RCT) in Newcastle, North Tyneside & Northumberland: control practices continue to manage infertility as they are currently and intervention practices have open access HSG available.

Qualitative Interviews will describe and compare experiences of patient and professional perceptions using a grounded approach to examine the attitudes and beliefs of couples through semi-structured one to one interviews.

## Intervention Type

Other

**Phase** Not Applicable

## Primary outcome measure

Added May 2008: The primary outcome was the time between presentation to the GP and the couple receiving a diagnosis and management plan.

## Secondary outcome measures

Added May 2008: Secondary outcomes were the uptake of open access HSG, frequency of diagnoses, first-line treatments offered, pregnancy rates and a measure of the extent of the information recorded and/or passed on in the referral letters of those subsequently referred.

## Overall study start date

01/10/2004

**Completion date** 

30/06/2007

# Eligibility

## Key inclusion criteria

RCT: Approximately 106 GPs in each arm assuming 75% recruitment (info from pilot data). To measure a 30% reduction (clinically significant) in time to appropriate treatment (per Royal College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists (RCOG) guidelines) with a 90% power and 5% significance level assuming equal numbers in each arm of the study. This is achievable with a drop out rate of 40%.

Qualitative interviews: Random simple initially then purposive sampling to prove or refute the emergent theory/themes. Interviewees will be recruited from both arms of the RCT as well as professionals involved with infertility services.

## Participant type(s)

Patient

**Age group** Adult

**Sex** Both

## Target number of participants

Target recruitment: 212. Actual recruitment: 670 as of May 2008.

## Key exclusion criteria

None, a pragmatic CRCT evaluating the effect of making open access HSG available to GPs for all infertile couples that present to them.

Date of first enrolment 01/10/2004

Date of final enrolment 30/06/2007

# Locations

**Countries of recruitment** England

United Kingdom

**Study participating centre Department of Primary and Community care** Sunderland United Kingdom SR2 7BW

# Sponsor information

**Organisation** Department of Health

## Sponsor details

Richmond House 79 Whitehall London United Kingdom SW1A 2NL

Sponsor type

Government

**Website** http://www.dh.gov.uk/Home/fs/en

# Funder(s)

Funder type

Government

**Funder Name** North Tyneside Primary Care Trust (UK)

## Funder Name

Added May 2008: Award Sponsor the NHS National Coordinating Centre for Research Capacity Development (NCCRCD) (UK)

# **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

Output type	Details	Date created	Date added	Peer reviewed?	Patient-facing?
Results article	results	01/05/2009		Yes	No