Pilot study to assess the feasibility of running a randomised controlled trial to evaluate the effectiveness of physical activity promotion in general practice in increasing levels of exercise and reducing mental health problems among adolescents

Submission date	Recruitment status	Prospectively registered
12/09/2003	Stopped	☐ Protocol
Registration date	Overall study status	Statistical analysis plan
12/09/2003	Stopped	Results
Last Edited	Condition category	Individual participant data
27/09/2011	Mental and Behavioural Disorders	Record updated in last year

Plain English summary of protocol

Not provided at time of registration

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Type(s)

Scientific

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Additional identifiers

Protocol serial number N0096112100

Study information

Scientific Title

Study objectives

Pilot to assess the feasibility of running a large-scale trial to evaluate the effectiveness of nurse-led consultations in promoting adolescent physical activity.

Ethics approval required

Old ethics approval format

Ethics approval(s)

Ethics approval was received from the local medical ethics committee before trial recruitment began.

Study design

Randomised controlled trial

Primary study design

Interventional

Study type(s)

Not Specified

Health condition(s) or problem(s) studied

Mental and Behavioural Disorders

Interventions

Teenagers will be invited to complete questionnaires about their exercise and other health related behaviours. Those who report that they do not exercise regularly will be randomised to one of two groups.

The intervention group will be invited to a consultation with their practice nurse to discuss exercise and related lifestyle. The nurse will record physical health measures and encourage the teenager to develop a detailed written plan to achieve self-selected physical activity goals. Vouchers will be provided to encourage increased use of local sports centres. The nurse will also provide telephone support.

Control teenagers will receive usual care.

After 4 months both intervention and control group teenagers will be invited to complete a follow-up questionnaire and attend a brief health-check with their practice nurse. Non-attenders will be sent a final follow-up questionnaire at home.

Added 5 September 2008: trial stopped due to poor recruitment.

Intervention Type

Other

Phase

Not Specified

Primary outcome(s)

Group comparison in terms of:

- 1. Frequency of exercise
- 2. Stage of change for exercise
- 3. Change in mental health scores (CES-DC)
- 4. Physical health measures (body mass index [BMI], peak flow, blood pressure)

Key secondary outcome(s))

Not provided at time of registration

Completion date

31/10/2004

Eligibility

Key inclusion criteria

Patients aged 13-17, 1400 in total registered at three general practices in Hertfordshire.

Participant type(s)

Patient

Healthy volunteers allowed

No

Age group

Child

Lower age limit

13 years

Upper age limit

17 years

Sex

Not Specified

Key exclusion criteria

Not provided at time of registration

Date of first enrolment

01/08/2002

Date of final enrolment

31/10/2004

Locations

Countries of recruitment

United Kingdom

England

Study participating centre CRIPACC

Hatfield, Herts United Kingdom AL10 9AB

Sponsor information

Organisation

Department of Health (UK)

Funder(s)

Funder type

Government

Funder Name

HertNet / CRIPACC (UK)

Results and Publications

Individual participant data (IPD) sharing plan

IPD sharing plan summary

Not provided at time of registration