

# A multi-centre community intervention trial to evaluate the clinical and cost effectiveness of Emergency Care Practitioners

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**Plain English summary of protocol**  
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**ClinicalTrials.gov number**

## Secondary identifying numbers

SDO/98/2005

# Study information

## Scientific Title

## Acronym

NEECaP (National Evaluation of Emergency Care Practitioners schemes)

## Study objectives

Aims:

1. To evaluate the appropriateness, quality and safety of care of Emergency Care Practitioners (ECPs)
2. To evaluate patient satisfaction and health outcomes after care given by ECPs
3. To examine the impact of ECP schemes on existing staff in emergency and unscheduled care services by assessing the impact of the new role on ECPs, other health care providers and managers
4. To evaluate the costs associated with integrating ECPs into the existing workforce
5. To examine the service level impact of ECPs on emergency and unscheduled care service performance

## Ethics approval required

Old ethics approval format

## Ethics approval(s)

Multicentre Research Ethics Committee (MREC) for Scotland on 23/03/2006 (ref: 06/MRE00/20)

## Study design

Pragmatic multicentre community intervention trial (using mixed methods).

## Primary study design

Interventional

## Secondary study design

Randomised controlled trial

## Study setting(s)

Hospital

## Study type(s)

Other

## 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

Emergency Care

## **Interventions**

Emergency care practitioner schemes intended to provide alternative care for patients in emergency and unscheduled care settings, versus care as usual.

## **Intervention Type**

Other

## **Phase**

Not Specified

## **Primary outcome measure**

Patient outcomes:

1. Experiences and satisfaction
2. Patient health status
3. Quality and safety of care

Workforce outcomes:

1. Impact of the ECP roles on self and others

## **Secondary outcome measures**

1. Effect of ECPs on overall performances of local service, strategic impact and economic evaluation
2. Consolidation of research methodologies for evaluating role substitution in health care, costs and system level impact

## **Overall study start date**

01/07/2006

## **Completion date**

01/07/2007

# **Eligibility**

## **Key inclusion criteria**

All patients who are eligible to be seen by an ECP and present to the appropriate service with a clinical condition that the ECP either actually manages or would manage if there was an ECP available will be included.

## **Participant type(s)**

Patient

## **Age group**

Not Specified

## **Sex**

Not Specified

## **Target number of participants**

7200

**Key exclusion criteria**

Patients who are not eligible to be attended by an ECP.

**Date of first enrolment**

01/07/2006

**Date of final enrolment**

01/07/2007

## **Locations**

**Countries of recruitment**

England

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## **Sponsor information**

**Organisation**

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Government

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**ROR**

<https://ror.org/02wnqcb97>

# Funder(s)

## Funder type

Government

## Funder Name

NHS Service Delivery and Organisation Research and Development programme (UK) (ref: SDO/98/2005)

# 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?
<a href="#">Results article</a>	results	01/04/2007		Yes	No
<a href="#">Results article</a>	results	01/01/2012		Yes	No
<a href="#">Results article</a>	results	01/04/2012		Yes	No