

# A Comparison of Information Letters Sent to Patients Prior to Outpatient Clinic Appointments

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**Plain English summary of protocol**  
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## Additional identifiers

**EudraCT/CTIS number**

**IRAS number**

**ClinicalTrials.gov number**

**Secondary identifying numbers**

N0558125486

## Study information

### Scientific Title

### Study objectives

Does patient information sent prior to an appointment make patients better informed or increase the DNA (did not arrive) rate?

### 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

### Secondary study design

Randomised controlled trial

### Study setting(s)

Not specified

### Study type(s)

Not Specified

### Participant information sheet

### Health condition(s) or problem(s) studied

Not Applicable: Service delivery

### Interventions

Patient information sent prior to an appointment vs patient information not sent prior to an appointment

Added August 2008: trial stopped.

### Intervention Type

Other

### Phase

Not Specified

### Primary outcome measure

1. Reduction in DNA rate
2. Better informed patients

**Secondary outcome measures**

Not provided at time of registration

**Overall study start date**

01/01/2003

**Completion date**

01/08/2003

## Eligibility

**Key inclusion criteria**

Initial pilot of 50 patients to test methodology. Sample convenience of 200 consecutive new patients to clinic.

**Participant type(s)**

Patient

**Age group**

Not Specified

**Sex**

Not Specified

**Target number of participants**

50

**Key exclusion criteria**

Not provided at time of registration

**Date of first enrolment**

01/01/2003

**Date of final enrolment**

01/08/2003

## Locations

**Countries of recruitment**

England

United Kingdom

**Study participating centre**

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### **Organisation**

Department of Health

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### **Sponsor type**

Government

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## **Funder(s)**

### **Funder type**

Government

### **Funder Name**

Milton Keynes General NHS Trust (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