Length of stay in an observation ward: a randomised controlled trial in a department of internal medicine

Submission date	Recruitment status	Prospectively registered
23/05/2005	No longer recruiting	☐ Protocol
Registration date	Overall study status	Statistical analysis plan
14/06/2005	Completed	Results
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Plain English summary of protocol

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Type(s)

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Study information

Scientific Title

Study objectives

A stay in the observation ward is shorter than a stay in an ordinary hospital ward for a population with low risk for serious disease, in need of a short observational stay, and emergently admitted to a department of general internal medicine.

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

Need for short hospital stay in order to rule out possible disease

Interventions

Randomisation to a stay in the Observation Ward or an ordinary hospital ward.

Intervention Type

Other

Phase

Not Specified

Primary outcome(s)

Length of stay in hours

Key secondary outcome(s))

Number of patients readmitted to the hospital within 30 days after discharge. Registrered dead within 12 weeks after discharge.

Completion date

30/11/1999

Eligibility

Key inclusion criteria

Patients >18 years, emergently admitted to the department during a 10-month period, who would normally have been admitted to the Observation Ward.

Participant type(s)

Patient

Healthy volunteers allowed

No

Age group

Adult

Lower age limit

18 years

Sex

All

Key exclusion criteria

Age <18 years; residents in nursing homes or similar; patients admitted for self-inflicted intoxications.

Date of first enrolment

01/01/1999

Date of final enrolment

30/11/1999

Locations

Countries of recruitment

Norway

Study participating centre Aker University Hospital

Oslo Norway N-0541

Sponsor information

Organisation

Telemark Hospital (Norway)

ROR

https://ror.org/02fafrk51

Funder(s)

Funder type

Hospital/treatment centre

Funder Name

Norwegian Social and Health Department (Norway)

Funder Name

Telemark Hospital (Norway)

Results and Publications

Individual participant data (IPD) sharing plan

IPD sharing plan summary

Not provided at time of registration